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**HAYEI SARAH**

**TORAH: ANNUAL** Genesis 23:1 - 25:18

**TRIENNIAL** Genesis 24:10 - 24:52

1: 24:10 - 24:14

2: 24:15 - 24:20

3: 24:21 - 24:26

4: 24:27 - 24:33

5: 24:34 - 24:41

6: 24:42 - 24:49

7: 24:50 - 24:52

Maftir: 24:50 - 24:52

**HAFTARAH**

I Kings 1:1 - 1:31

NEXT WEEK: **TOLEDOT**

MEVARKHIM **HAHODESH**

**TORAH: ANNUAL** Genesis 25:19 - 28:9

**TRIENNIAL** Genesis 26:23 - 27:27

**HAFTARAH** I Samuel 20:18 - 20:42

**November 14-21, 2014**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

**Family Kabbalat Shabbat Service and Dinner**

**Kabbalat Shabbat Service**

**Mindfulness Kabbalat Shabbat Service**

6:00 PM - 89th St. Gym

6:30 PM - 88th St. Sanctuary

6:30 PM - 89th St. Reception Room

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

**Hakhanah laTefillah—Preparing for Prayer**

**Childcare (Ages 2-6)**

**Shabbat Morning Services**

8:45 AM - 86th St. Chapel (SEE P.3)

9:30 AM - 86th St. Parlor

9:30 AM - 86th St. Sanctuary

**Bat Mitzvah**

Eden Chanko

**Bar Mitzvah**

Elias Silver

**KesheTOT Shabbat Morning**

10:00 AM - 86th St. Chapel

**Junior Congregation—Kids and Families**

10:30 AM - 86th St. Social Hall

**Children's Services**

10:45 AM - 86th St. Chapel, Parlor and 2nd Floor

**Young Families Kiddush**

Following Services - 86th St. Chapel

**Community Kiddush**

Following Services - 86th St. Social Hall

**BJ Sings Havurah**

1:00 PM - 86th St. Parlor

..... *More Shabbat afternoon events—see page 2 for more information* .....

*More Shabbat Schmooze*

3:30 PM - 89th St. Middle Room

**Shabbat Sports at BJ**

3:30 PM - 89th St. Gym

**Speaker: Shaul Magid**

4:00 PM - 89th St. Reception Room

**Teen Seudah Shlishit**

4:00 PM - 89th St.

**PJs and Havdalah**

4:15 PM - 89th St. 3rd Floor

**3rd-6th Grade Havdalah and Movie Night**

5:30 PM - 89th St.

**Community Havdalah Service**

5:30 PM - 89th St. Gym

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

**Morning Minyan**

9:30 AM - 89th St. Chapel

**Celebrate the Ethiopian Sigd at BJ**

4:30 PM - 88th St. Sanctuary (SEE P.3)

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

**Morning Minyan**

7:30 AM - 89th St. Chapel

**BJ Hebrew School**

4:00-6:00 PM

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

**Morning Minyan**

7:30 AM - 89th St. Chapel

**Limud: Great Jews and Their Writings**

8:30 AM - 89th St. Middle Room (SEE P.3)

**Creative Play Studio**

10:15 and 11:15 AM - 89th St. Room 608A

**Limud: The Language of Truth**

12:30 PM - 89th St. (SEE P.3)

**Afternoon Play Studio**

3:30 PM - 89th St.

**Keshet**

4:00 PM - 89th St. Room 606 and 609

**KesheTOT**

4:00 PM - 89th St. Room 607

**Limud: Adonai, Open My Lips—אֲדֹנָי שְׁפֹתַי תִּפְתָּח**

6:30 PM - 89th St. Middle Room (SEE P.3)

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

**Morning Minyan**

7:30 AM - 89th St. Chapel

**Limud: Introduction to Judaism**

7:00 PM - 89th St. 2nd Floor Conference Room

**Limud: Mindfulness Classes:**

7:00 PM - 89th St. Chapel (SEE P.3)

**Creating a Personal Prayer Practice**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

**Morning Minyan**

7:30 AM - 89th St. Chapel

**Judith Bernstein Lunch Program**

12:00 PM - 88th St. Frankel Hall

**Limud: Stories of the Talmudic Rabbis**

12:30 PM (SEE P.3)

**BJ Hebrew School**

4:00-6:00 PM

**Limud: Avodat Ha-Lev: Exploring Prayer and the Siddur**

7:00 PM - 89th St. Chapel

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

**Morning Minyan**

7:30 AM - 89th St. Chapel

**Bim Bam**

9:15, 10:15, and 11:15 AM - 88th St. Frankel Hall

**Kabbalat Shabbat Services**

Join us on Friday night—choose from our many service options listed below. Check [www.bj.org/services](http://www.bj.org/services) or this KJ (page 3) for details.

**Every Friday:** Kabbalat Shabbat Service at 88th St. at 6:30PM

**First Friday of the Month**

Tot Shabbat .....Dec. 5, Feb. 6

**Second Friday of the Month**

Mindfulness .....Nov. 14, Dec. 12  
and

Family Shabbat .....Nov. 14, Dec. 12

**Third Friday of the Month**

Bo-i Kallah .....Nov. 21, Dec. 19

**Fourth Friday of the Month**

Hitoreri (Teen) Shabbat .....Jan. 23

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Night of 100 Dinners**

**Saturday, January 10, 2015**

**Great Food  
Great Company  
Great Raffles  
Great Fun**

**...and a great way to support BJ!**

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BJ's Ner Tamid at the 88th Street Sanctuary is powered by the light of the sun.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HA-MAKOM YENAH'EM

The community of B'nai Jeshurun extends sincere condolences to the following members and their families:

- Rachel Epstein Klein and Mark Klein, and their children Sophie and Abbe Klein, on the death of Rachel's father, Morton Epstein.
- Josh and Julie Penzner, and their children Rachel and Ethan Penzner, on the death of Josh's grandfather, Mike Marcus.
- Larry Fox and his son Malcom Fox, on the death of Larry's stepmother, Jeannette Jacobson.

### MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Eden Chanko, her parents Ami Weil and Todd Chanko, and her brother Sasha Chanko on Eden becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

- Elias Silver, his parents Daniel and Ellen Silver, and his brother Gabriel Silver on Elias becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Audrey Simons on her engagement to Jacob Capelle.

### TODAH RABBAH

This week's Community Kiddush is supported by Ami Weil and Todd Chanko in honor of Eden becoming a Bat Mitzvah, and by Daniel and Ellen Silver in honor of Elias becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

### B'RUKHIM HABA'IM

- Courtney Anthony and Confirmation class, Temple Rodef Shalom, Falls Church, Virginia.

## More Reflection, More Connection: *More Shabbat* at BJ

Shabbat is the Jewish community's most special and sacred time—an ideal opportunity to relax, breathe and connect with family, friends and community. To help you make the most of this time, BJ has created *More Shabbat*.

Our very first *More Shabbat* on **November 15** offers an entire afternoon of innovative programming designed to keep our BJ Shabbat spirit going well past noon on Saturday, right through Havdalah.

Our full—and fun—day begins with regular Shabbat Morning Services and Community Kiddush and resumes at 3:30PM with a *More Shabbat* Schmooze. **After enjoying whichever programs interest you, please join the rest of the BJ community for a special Havdalah service at 5:30PM.**

#### • *More Shabbat* Schmooze

**Saturday, November 15**, 3:30-4:00PM, 89th Street Middle Room: Come before our terrific *More Shabbat* programming for coffee, cookies and conversation with your fellow BJ community members. Whether you're new or longtime members, this is a great opportunity to meet other families—and have a quick nosh before our other programs begin!

#### • Shabbat Sports at BJ

**Saturday, November 15**, 3:30-4:30PM, 89th Street Gym: Shabbat is all about renewing the mind, spirit and body. Rabbinic Fellow Bryan Wexler invites all BJ community kids to bring their friends and join him for gaga, dodgeball, basketball, soccer and more.

#### • Guest Speaker: Dr. Shaul Magid: "After Multiculturalism: Postethnicity and Judaism in Contemporary America"

**Saturday, November 15**, 4:00-5:30PM, 89th Street Reception Room: Can the Judaism of our parents survive in a society when ethnicity is more liquid and identity is less about who our grandparents were and more about who we want to be as Jews and Americans? You'll have a chance to ask Shaul Magid, professor of Jewish Studies at Indiana University Bloomington. Contact Jo Icaza at [jicaza@bj.org](mailto:jicaza@bj.org) for more information.

#### • Teen Seudah Shlishit

**Saturday, November 15**, 4:00-5:30PM, 89th Street Community House: Join other BJ teens for Seudah Shlishit and meet Israeli teens who

### *More Shabbat* Afternoon Events

<b>3:30PM</b>	<i>More Shabbat</i> Schmooze
<b>3:30PM</b>	Shabbat Sports at BJ
<b>4:00PM</b>	Guest Speaker, Dr. Shaul Magid: "After Multiculturalism: Postethnicity and Judaism in Contemporary America"
<b>4:00PM</b>	Teen Seudah Shlishit
<b>4:15PM</b>	PJs and Havdalah
<b>5:30PM</b>	3rd-6th Grade Havdalah and Movie Night
<b>5:30PM</b>	Community Havdalah Service

are spending a year in New York City teaching about Israel before joining the Israeli army. After this extraordinary program, join the BJ community for a Havdalah service.

#### • PJs and Havdalah

**Saturday, November 15**, 4:15, 89th Street 3rd Floor: Families with children ages 5 and under are invited to explore Havdalah—the ceremony that marks the end of Shabbat—through art, song and story. Kids are encouraged to come in pajamas to help create a warm and cozy atmosphere as we say goodbye to Shabbat and look forward to the week ahead.

#### • 3rd-6th Grade Havdalah and Movie Night

**Saturday, November 15**, 5:30-8:00PM, 89th Street Community House: End Shabbat with a movie night and pizza party! BJ's 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th graders and their families are invited to join together with the rest of the community for Havdalah in the 89th St. Gym at 5:30PM. Following Havdalah, children will enjoy the film *Tangled*, plus pizza and ice cream. Register at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org).

#### • Community Havdalah

**Saturday, November 15**, 5:30-6:30PM, 89th Street Gym: Gather together for Havdalah, as we mark the separation between sacred time and ordinary time, and prolong the beauty and harmony of Shabbat. We will take a moment before Havdalah to search for something special from this Shabbat that we want to carry with us into the week.

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

### • Hakhanah laTefillah: Preparing for Prayer

**5 Saturdays** (remaining sessions: November 15, 29, December 13), 8:45-9:25AM, 86th Street Chapel: Please join Rabbi Roly Matalon to prepare the soul and open the heart for Shabbat morning prayers through the singing of piyutim and reflections on kavannah.

### • The Global Day of Jewish Learning

**Sunday, November 16**, 9:45AM-5:00PM, Drisha Institute, 37 W. 65th St., 5th Floor: This event brings the Jewish people together for community-based learning. This year's theme is "Heroes, Villains, Saints, and Fools: The People in the Book." Rabbinic Fellow Bryan Wexler will teach during this extraordinary day of learning. For more information, visit [drisha.org/globalday.php](http://drisha.org/globalday.php).

### • Celebrate the Ethiopian Sigd at BJ

**Sunday, November 16**, 4:30-7:30PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Eat, sing and rejoice with the local Israeli Ethiopian community and spiritual leaders, Keso, from Israel for the Sigd (Amharic for prostration)—a festival about yearning for Jerusalem. This event is co-sponsored by Chassida Shmella and the Israeli Consulate in NY. Dinner will be served. \$30/members; \$40/non-members; \$45 at the door. Register at [www.bj.org/israelevents](http://www.bj.org/israelevents). Contact Orli Moss at [omoss@bj.org](mailto:omoss@bj.org).

### • Bo-i Kallah—A Monthly Kabbalat Shabbat Service

**Fridays** (November 21, December 19), 6:30PM, 89th Street Reception Room: Rabbi Roly Matalon and musician Dan Nadel will lead an alternative Kabbalat Shabbat service on the third Friday evening of each month. With the help of soulful melodies, verses of Shir haShirim (Song of Songs), liturgical poems and Psalms, we will transition gently and with full kavannah from hol to kodesh—leaving the ordinary work week consciousness in order to enter holy time and welcome Shabbat.

### • Israeli Oneg Shabbat at BJ **ונג שבת ישראלי**

**Friday, November 21**, 8:30-10:00PM, 89th Street Reception Room: לקחת פסק זמן ולא לחשוב / לשבת מול הים ולא לדאוג. עם תחילת הסתיו מתחילה מסורת חדשה של עונג שבת ישראלי במנהטן עם שירה אברבך ודן נדל. בואו לסגור את השבוע עם שירים מוכרים, מרגשים ואהובים, עם חברה, יין, חלות ונשנושים. Let go of the week and welcome Shabbat with beautiful Israeli songs, wine, challah and light snacks. Registration: להרשמה—[www.bj.org/israelevents](http://www.bj.org/israelevents).

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## UPCOMING LIMUD/TEACHING Please visit [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org) for full course descriptions and more information.

### • Lunch and Learn: The Language of Truth: The Gerer Rebbe's Commentary on Parashat HaShavua (The Weekly Torah Portion)

**Rabbi Felicia L. Sol**

**7 Tuesdays** (remaining classes: November 18 and 25, December 2 and 16), 12:30-1:45PM, 89th Street Middle Room: Study the weekly parashah through the commentary of the Sefat Emet, Rabbi Yehuda Leib Alter of Gur. Join Rabbi Felicia L. Sol for an exploration of this Hassidic commentary to delve deeper into the richness of our tradition. Each class is stand-alone and free of charge. Please register at [www.bj.org/events](http://www.bj.org/events). Please register at [www.bj.org/events](http://www.bj.org/events) or contact Sandra at [sghiorzo@bj.org](mailto:sghiorzo@bj.org) for audio participation information.

### • Adonai, Open My Lips—תפתח פי שפתי

**Rabbi J. Rolando Matalon**

**7 Tuesdays** (remaining classes: November 18, December 2, 16, January 13, 27, February 10), 6:30-8:30PM, 89th Street Middle Room: How do I open my heart to prayer? What happens when I pray? Who do I pray to? What/Who do I pray for? How do I find my own voice in prayer? Together with Rabbi Roly Matalon, we will open and examine these and other prayer-related questions through personal reflection, text study, discussion and practice. Free of charge. Register at [www.bj.org/events](http://www.bj.org/events).

### • Mindfulness Classes: Creating a Personal Prayer Practice

**Rabbis Rachel Cowan and Marcelo R. Bronstein**

**7 Wednesdays** (remaining classes: November 19, December 3, 10 and 17), 7:00-9:00PM, 89th Street Chapel: Why do we pray? Where can prayer take us? How could it change us? In this class, we will utilize meditation, contemplative text study, music and reflection to meaningfully connect to prayer as a spiritual practice. Free of charge. Register at [www.bj.org/events](http://www.bj.org/events).

### • Behind the Headlines in Israel

**5 Thursdays** (remaining classes: November 20, December 4, 18), 8:30-9:15AM, 89th Street Community House: What headlines are Israelis waking up to? Start the day with an overview of Israeli news in four key areas: politics, society, culture and Middle East events. To join over the phone, please dial 866-672-5590, conference code 975 5145 531. Led by Dr. Jonathan Cummings, political analyst and scholar of Israel and the Middle East. Free of charge. Registration required at [www.bj.org/israelevents](http://www.bj.org/israelevents).

### • Lunch and Learn: Stories of the Talmudic Rabbis

**Rabbi J. Rolando Matalon**

**5 Thursdays** (remaining classes: November 20, December 4, 11, 18), 12:30-1:30PM, location provided upon registration: We will study stories that reflect the concerns and struggles, fears and fantasies, even the dark side of our Talmudic sages. We will attempt to look at ourselves in the mirror of the Talmud in order to understand and confront our own nature. No knowledge of Hebrew is required. Please bring your own lunch. Free of charge. Register at [www.bj.org/events](http://www.bj.org/events).

### • Hallel, Hanukkah, Havdalah—

**A Practice of Gratitude: Rosh Hodesh Kislev Women's Group**

**Rabbi Felicia L. Sol and Sarit Horwitz, BJ Rabbinic Fellow**

**Saturday, November 22**, 4:00-6:00PM, 89th Street Reception Room: Join us for a Shabbat afternoon exploration of the Middah (virtue) of gratitude, as we leave Shabbat and enter the month of Kislev—the darkest time of year—preparing for Thanksgiving in anticipation of Hanukkah. Please bring a dairy/vegetarian contribution to share. Registration not required.

### • Avodat Ha-Lev: Exploring Prayer and the Siddur

**Alex Braver, BJ Rabbinic Fellow**

**Thursdays**, through December 18; **Mondays**, January 5-May 4, 7:00-9:00PM, 89th St. Chapel: The rabbis of the Talmud call prayer "avodat ha-lev" (the service of the heart). Yet how can our hearts be in it when we don't understand what we're saying? Together, we will study the language of the siddur in Hebrew, English and transliteration, along with biblical, rabbinic, mystical and modern texts on tefillah. Come deepen your understanding of the prayer book, and develop a more personal connection with Jewish prayer. Free of charge. Register at [www.bj.org/events](http://www.bj.org/events).

### • Great Jews and Their Writings

**Rabbi Hillel Friedman**

**Tuesdays** (through May 19), 8:30AM, 89th Street Middle Room: We will study excerpts from the Books of Samuel and Job. In their very unique ways, both books raise questions regarding standards for communal leadership and those factors that we struggle with in order to find meaning in life. Rabbi Friedman is a longtime member of our BJ community. Register at [www.bj.org/events](http://www.bj.org/events). Members \$100; non-members \$150.

## WELCOME TO B'NAI JESHURUN!

- **Membership at B'nai Jeshurun:** We invite you to become a member of our living, thriving community. The simple act of joining BJ is transformative. It is an acknowledgement that BJ is your community, its rabbis are your rabbis, and its sanctuary is your space. Our sliding scale dues system ensures no one will be turned away based on financial reasons. Contact the Membership Department at x224 for more information.
- **A Note From the Ushers:** To prepare for the comfort and security of all, doors open 30 minutes before services begin. Both kippot and tallitot are available in the back of the Sanctuary. Photography, cell phone use, writing and food are not permitted in the Sanctuary. Damaged books may be brought to the back of the Sanctuary.
- **Assistive Listening Devices for Services at BJ** are available during services at both sanctuaries (88th Street and 86th Street). Ask an usher if you need one, and please return the device when you leave.

- **"BJ Speak" Glossary:** Do you have questions about commonly used words and phrases at BJ? Find the answers in our "BJ Speak" glossary. Visit the back of the 88th Street Sanctuary for a laminated sheet filled with definitions and explanations of everything you need to know.

### JOIN US AT THE BJ MORNING MINYAN

The morning minyan is an opportunity to experience BJ tefillah in a more intimate setting and a wonderful way to get to know one another. We'll have coffee waiting for you! Please help us make a minyan so our members can say kaddish for their loved ones in a supportive environment. Learn more and find the current schedule at [www.bj.org/minyan](http://www.bj.org/minyan).

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES *(continued from page 3)*

### • Interfaith Community Thanksgiving Service

**Wednesday, November 26**, 7:00PM, 86th Street Sanctuary: Join with our neighbors of all faith traditions to give thanks on the eve of Thanksgiving. Clergy from several churches and synagogues will be participating in the service. Reception to follow. Please bring checks made out to the West Side Campaign Against Hunger.

### • JDC/BJ Special Shabbat Dinner: International Jewish Life and Experiences

**Friday, December 5**, 8:00-10:30PM, 89th Street Gym: Learn how people are making a positive impact on global Jewish life and how you can too. **Dr. Ruth Westheimer** will discuss her involvement with the Joint Distribution Committee (JDC), the world's leading Jewish humanitarian assistance organization. Dinner and conversation with JDC participants and staff will follow. BJ members \$40; non-members \$50. Contact Jo at [jicaza@bj.org](mailto:jicaza@bj.org).

## CREATING KEHILLAH

### SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

#### • The 2014 Thousand Turkey Challenge and Kickoff

**Tuesday, November 18**, 6:30-8:00PM, West Side Campaign Against Hunger, 263 West 86th Street: BJ is proud to be supporting WSCAH in providing low-income families with turkeys for Thanksgiving. Join us at the kickoff event to tour the food pantry. Can't make it? There are still ways to donate and get involved. For more information, contact Larissa at [lwohl@bj.org](mailto:lwohl@bj.org) or call x272.

#### • Give the Gift of Life at the BJ Blood Drive

**Wednesday, December 10**, 3:00-9:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Twice a year, we have the opportunity to provide a very important service to the community. R.S.V.P. to Trudi at [trudil531@aol.com](mailto:trudil531@aol.com), or call x272 to reserve your time slot and/or for more information.

### YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

#### • KesheTOT Shabbat Morning

**Saturday, November 15**, 10:00-10:45AM, 86th Street: Experience Shabbat morning in Hebrew! Join us for a fun Hebrew song session led by the educators and musicians of the Keshet program. Open to all young families in the BJ community. Please email Allison at [akapusta@bj.org](mailto:akapusta@bj.org) with any questions.

#### • Donate to BJ Teen Midnight Run

**Saturday, November 22**, 89th Street Community House entrance: BJ teens are volunteering with the organization Midnight Run to help the homeless throughout NYC. We are collecting the following items: clothing, sample or travel size toiletries, blankets and non-perishable food items. Donations can be dropped at the entrance 89th Street any time before or on November 22 in a bin marked "Midnight Run."