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SHABBAT EIGHTH DAY PESAH

TORAH Deuteronomy 14:22 - 16:17

- 1: 14:22 - 14:29
- 2: 15:1 - 15:18
- 3: 15:19 - 15:23
- 4: 16:1 - 16:3
- 5: 16:4 - 16:8
- 6: 16:9 - 16:12
- 7: 16:13 - 16:17

Maftir: Numbers 28:19 - 28:25

HAFTARAH Isaiah 10:32 - 12:6

NEXT WEEK: SHEMINI

TORAH: ANNUAL Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47

TRIENNIAL Leviticus 10:12 - 11:32

HAFTARAH I Samuel 20:18 - 20:42

April 10–17, 2015

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

BJ OFFICE CLOSED

Minhah Service

Kabbalat Shabbat and Erev Eighth Day Pesah Service

Mindfulness Kabbalat Shabbat Service

■ **OMER COUNT:** Tonight begins DAY 7 (Malkhut Shebehesed)

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

Shabbat and Eighth Day Pesah

Morning Services (Yizkor)

Aliyah for Holocaust Survivors and Their Families

Junior Congregation—Kids Only

Children's Services

■ **OMER COUNT:** Tonight begins DAY 8 (Hesed Shebegevurah)

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Morning Minyan

Mission Mitzvah

Sparks of Change Foundation:

Dialogue with Arab-Israeli Teens

■ **OMER COUNT:** Tonight begins DAY 9 (Gevurah Shebegevurah)

MONDAY, APRIL 13

Morning Minyan

BJ Hebrew School

Parents' Corner

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

Israel Pre-Trip Information Meeting

■ **OMER COUNT:** Tonight begins DAY 10 (Tiferet Shebegevurah)

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

Morning Minyan

Limud: Great Jews and Their Writings

Creative Play Studio

Keshet and KesheTOT

Food Chains Documentary Screening

Morocco Pre-Trip Educational Session 3

■ **OMER COUNT:** Tonight begins DAY 11 (Netzah Shebegevurah)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

Morning Minyan

Yom HaShoah Community-Wide Commemoration Ceremony

Limud: Introduction to Judaism

■ **OMER COUNT:** Tonight begins DAY 12 (Hod Shebegevurah)

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

Morning Minyan

Judith Bernstein Lunch Program

BJ Hebrew School

Post-Pesah Challah Baking (Youth and Family)

■ **OMER COUNT:** Tonight begins DAY 13 (Yesod Shebegevurah)

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

Morning Minyan

Bim Bam

■ **OMER COUNT:** Tonight begins DAY 14 (Malkhut Shebegevurah)

21–28 Nisan, 5775

SEVENTH DAY PESAH

6:40 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

7:00 PM – 88th St. Sanctuary

7:00 PM – 89th St. Reception Room

EIGHTH DAY PESAH

9:30 AM – 86th St. Sanctuary

During Services – 88th St. Sanctuary

10:35 AM – 86th St. Social Hall

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

9:30 AM – 88th St. Sanctuary

9:30 AM – 89th St.

10:00 AM – 89th St. (SEE P.3)

7:30 AM – 89th St. Chapel

4:00-6:00 PM

4:15 PM – 89th St. Chapel

7:00 PM – 89th St. Chapel (SEE P.3)

7:00 PM – Location given with R.S.V.P (SEE P.3)

7:30 AM – 89th St. Chapel

8:30 AM – 89th St. Middle Room

3:15 PM – 89th St.

4:00 PM – 89th St.

6:30 PM – 88th St. (SEE P.3)

7:00 PM – 89th St. Chapel (SEE P.2)

7:30 AM – 89th St. Chapel

6:45 PM – 88th St. Sanctuary (SEE P.2)

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

YOM HASHOAH

7:30 AM – 89th St. Chapel

12:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

4:00-6:00 PM

8:00 PM – Location provided upon R.S.V.P.

7:30 AM – 89th St. Chapel

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

■ **OMER COUNT:** Tonight begins DAY 14 (Malkhut Shebegevurah)

! SPRING/SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE FRIDAY SERVICE TIME CHANGE!

Beginning **Friday, April 10**, the Kabbalat Shabbat evening service starts at 7:00PM.

Kabbalat Shabbat Services

See pages 2-3 or www.bj.org/services for details.

Every Friday: Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 88th St.

First Friday of the Month

Tot Shabbat May 1, June 5

Second Friday of the Month

Mindfulness April 10, May 8

Family Shabbat May 8

Third Friday of the Month

Bo-i Kallah April 17, May 15

Fourth Friday of the Month

Hitoreri (Teen) Shabbat April 24

Explore Our Community's Views About Israel

April 18 - June 9 | 88th and 89th Street

Hear a special D'var Torah on Saturday, April 18 and the Israel survey results on Tuesday, April 19; come to a Speaking Across Conflict Workshop; attend the Town Square on May 3 and more. Register at www.bj.org/IDI.

To register for classes and events, please visit www.bj.org.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HA-MAKOM YENAHM

- The community of B'nai Jeshurun mourns the death of our member Tanya Sparer, and we extend our sincere condolences to her entire family.
- The community of B'nai Jeshurun extends our sincere condolences to Stephen and Nilda Dicker, their children, Isaiah, Alexander, and Micah, and their entire family on the death of Stephen's father, Daniel Dicker.

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Georgette Bennett on being honored at Auburn Seminary's Lives of Commitment Awards Benefit Breakfast.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• Aliyah for Holocaust Survivors and Their Families

Saturday, April 11, Shabbat morning services, 86th Street Sanctuary: On the Shabbat before Yom HaShoah, BJ invites Holocaust survivors, their families and descendants for a special aliyah that commemorates those who perished, pays tribute to those who survived and marks our commitment to Jewish life into the future.

• Yom HaShoah Community-Wide Commemoration Ceremony

Wednesday, April 15–Thursday, April 16, 6:45PM (service), 10:30PM–7:30AM (vigil), 88th Street Sanctuary: This year marks the 20th anniversary of the Reading of the Names and the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz. A video by the BJ teens will screen at 8:15PM. Everyone is welcome to read names. Overnight volunteers needed; please contact Leah at lmichelson@bj.org or x234.

• Mindfulness Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Friday, April 10, 7:00PM, 89th Street Reception Room: Led by Rabbi Marcelo Bronstein and Rachel Cowan, Student Hazzan Shoshi Rosenbaum and special guest Karina Zilberman, this service involves meditation, reflection, deep listening and personal engagement with the parashah. Contact Sandra at sghiorzo@bj.org with any questions.

• Morocco Pre-Trip Educational Session 3

Tuesday, April 14, 7:00–8:30PM, 89th Street Chapel: Join renowned Jewish educator Peter Geffen for the third preparatory class for BJ's trip to Morocco in June. Classes are open to the entire community; pre-registration is required. Please call Lisa at x228 to register.

• Bo-i Kallah—A Monthly Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Fridays: April 17, May 15, 7:00PM, 89th Street Reception Room: Led by Roly and musician Dan Nadel. Soulful melodies, Shir haShirim (Song of Songs), poems and Psalms help us enter holy time at this monthly alternative Kabbalat Shabbat service.

• Hakhanah laTefillah—Preparing for Prayer

11 Saturdays (remaining sessions: April 18; May 2, 16, 30), 8:45–9:25AM, 86th Street Chapel: Join Roly to open the heart for Shabbat morning prayers by singing piyutim and reflecting on kavannah.

• Havdalah and Pete Seeger Guitar-Themed Sing-Along

Saturday, April 25, 8:30PM, 89th Street Reception Room: Pete Seeger's songs of freedom will help us keep the spirit of Pesah alive. Led by Yozma chair Craig Rosenberg and Jody Prusan. Song sheets will be provided. Sponsored by Yozma and free of charge. Register at www.bj.org/events or contact Monty at mmiller@bj.org.

• Bikkur Holim: Caring and Connection

Tuesday, April 28, 6:30PM, 89th Street 2nd Floor Conference Room: Our BJ community is defined by the connection we feel to each other. When that connection is threatened by illness or confinement, it is our spiritual obligation to offer support. Please join the Hessed Committee's Bikkur Holim Hevra and Chaplain Allison Kestenbaum for conversation and practical advice about how you can lift up other BJ members with acts of loving-kindness. Contact Billie at bdistefano@bj.org or R.S.V.P. or for more information.

• BJ Hessed Genius Bar: Unleash the Power of Your Smartphone, Tablet, or Laptop

Sunday, May 3, 12:00–2:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Wondering how to use the features and functions of your mobile devices? Stop by any time during the session and get one-on-one support from our teens. R.S.V.P. to hessed@bj.org or x264.

• Solomon's Couch: Deconstructing and Illuminating the Tahara Text

Saturday, May 9, 12:30PM, 86th Street: "And I will pour upon you pure water..." Tahara, the ritual purification of the body, is accompanied by a fascinating liturgy woven from many sources. Led by two extraordinary teachers, Rabbi Jan Uhrbach, Director of Liturgical Arts at JTS, and Amichai Lau-Lavie, spiritual leader of Lab/Shul. Registration encouraged at www.bj.org/events.

• The 2015 Women's Retreat

Friday, May 29–Sunday, May 31, Isabella Freedman Jewish Retreat Center: Spend a weekend surrounded by the voices of women exploring a common theme. Build deeper connections in the BJ community in beautiful services, a joyous Shabbat, and an incredible experience with Rabbi Felicia Sol and BJ Rabbinic Fellow Sarit Horwitz. Member double room, \$330; Member single room, \$430; Non-members, \$500. Register at www.bj.org/womensretreat. For bus transportation, see www.bj.org/retreatbus. Contact Jo at jicaza@bj.org.

UPCOMING LIMUD/TEACHING Please visit www.bj.org for full course descriptions and more information.

• Rosh Hodesh Iyar Women's Group

Monday, April 20, 7:00PM, 89th Street Reception Room: During this month in which we celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut, join Rabbinic Fellow Sarit Horwitz to study and converse about women's voices in Israel, past and present, that have changed and are continuing to change the landscape. Please bring a dairy, vegetarian or kosher Israeli snack to share. Registration not required.

• Avodat Ha-Lev: Exploring Prayer and the Siddur Alex Braver, BJ Rabbinic Fellow

Mondays through May 4, 7:00–9:00PM, 89th St. Chapel: Talmudic rabbis call prayer "avodat ha-lev" (the service of the heart). Yet how can our hearts engage when we don't know what we're saying? We will study the siddur in Hebrew and English, alongside traditional and modern texts. Register at www.bj.org/events.

PESAH 5775

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Friday, April 10

Seventh Day Morning Service*

88th Street 9:30 AM

Kabbalat Shabbat and Eighth Day Evening Service

88th Street 7:00 PM

Saturday, April 11

Shabbat and Eighth Day Morning Service (Yizkor)*

86th Street 9:30 AM

**Children's Services begin at 10:45 AM each morning.*

CREATING KEHILLAH

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

• **Food Chains: A Documentary Film Screening with Guest Speaker, Journalist Michael Aronson**

Tuesday, April 14, 6:30-9:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: This event, with guest speaker and journalist Michael Aronson, is part of the Economic Justice Hevra's work on the Farmworker Justice Campaign. The film focuses on a group of tomato pickers from Southern Florida who are revolutionizing farm labor to ensure a dignified life for farmworkers and a more humane, transparent food chain. Register at www.bj.org/food-chains.

• **Upcoming Environmental Justice Hevra Meeting**

Wednesday, April 29, 6:30-8:45PM, location TBA: We are proud to be part of a diverse coalition that supports the Transform Don't Trash NYC Campaign, which proposes systemic changes to the commercial-waste industry in New York City. Get involved in this local initiative to expand recycling diversion, improve job safety and lower emissions. R.S.V.P. to Les, lesjudd@aol.com.

• **Upcoming Economic Justice Hevra Meeting**

Monday, May 4, 6:30-8:45PM, R.S.V.P. for location: Get involved in the Justice for Farmworkers Campaign. We are working to pass the Farmworker Fair Labor Practices Act to ensure that laborers who produce the food we depend on in NYS can have the dignity and equality they deserve. For questions and to R.S.V.P., contact Lisa at lzucker@nyc.rr.com.

YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• **Sparks of Change Foundation: Dialogue with Arab-Israeli Teens**

Sunday, April 12, 10:00AM, 89th Street Community House: Don't miss this unique opportunity to meet with four Arab-Israeli teens from the Galilee, who are traveling to the U.S. to meet Jewish-American youth. Email awasser@bj.org to reserve your spot.

• **Tot Shabbat**

Friday, May 1, 5:15-7:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Families will enjoy a kid-friendly Kabbalat Shabbat service filled with singing and dancing, followed by a dinner at 5:45PM, downstairs in Frankel Hall, complete with Shabbat blessings and songs. Cost is \$20 for member, \$27 for non-members, kids eat free. Email akapusta@bj.org to register.

• **Teen Spring Retreat**

Friday, May 15-Sunday, May 17, Camp Ramah, Nyack, NY: Our first retreat went so well, we're doing another one! Please email Ayala at awasser@bj.org to register or for more information.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

• **Building a Sustainable Israel: Lessons Learned Since Independence**

Saturday, April 25, 1:00-2:15PM, Congregation Shaare Zedek (212 West 93rd Street): In a special event for Israel Independence Day, urban planner and land use specialist Kevin Dwarka, Ph.D., will offer an overview of contemporary environmental issues in Israel, with an emphasis on land use, transportation, and housing development. Registration required at www.szny.org/dinners/863.

Featured Trip: Community Experience in Israel

• **Israel Pre-Trip Information Session with Marcelo**

Monday, April 13, 7:00PM, location provided upon R.S.V.P.: Interested in traveling to Israel with Marcelo from June 25 to July 4? Find out what to expect on this one-of-a-kind trip with Marcelo and BJ Director of Israel Engagement Orli Moss at the home of trip participants Robin Fleischner and Ted Metzger. R.S.V.P. to Orli at omoss@bj.org.

• **Israel Community Trip**

Thursday, June 25-Saturday, July 4, multiple locations including Tel Aviv, the Negev, Jerusalem and more: Ready for a 10-day journey through Israeli society, culture and food, including its diverse communities, kibbutzim and social action projects, bustling markets and breathtaking landscapes? Join Rabbi Marcelo Bronstein and Director of Israel Engagement Orli Moss to explore the vision and realities shaping Israel's history in real time. Register at www.bj.org/israeljune2015 or contact Orli Moss at omoss@bj.org or x229.

Take time in 2015 to get away with your fellow BJ members, clergy and staff. There are trips and retreats designed to meet the interests of families, adults, children and teens. Learn more at www.bj.org/trips.

• **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, cellphone 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). If you need a device, ask an usher for one, and please return it when you leave.

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.



■ **THE UPPER WEST SIDE CELEBRATES YOM HA'ATZMAUT TOGETHER!**

BJ is once again proud to be a part of the communal celebration of Yom Ha'atzmaut on the Upper West Side, with plenty of events coming up. Please make sure to check out the full listing of all the events, and register to attend at www.uwslrael.org. Below are the events that will be hosted at BJ.

• **Tekes Ma'avar, Transition Ceremony**

Wednesday, April 22, 7:30PM, 88th Street

Sanctuary: This ceremony marks the transition from Yom Hazikaron, Israel's Memorial Day to Yom Ha'atzmaut, Israel's Independence Day. The evening will start with a teaching, followed by prayer and song, as we transition from solemnity and remembrance to rejoicing and celebrating ending with Shira Betzibur (a sing-along). Co-sponsored by Mechon Hadar, Romemu, Shaare Zedek, West End Synagogue, and The Society For Advancement of Judaism.

Sunday, April 26: Multiple Events

• **Journalism in a Land of Few Facts**

10:30AM-12:00PM, 89th Street Community House: Join Jodi Rudoren, Jerusalem bureau chief of *The New York Times*, as she discusses her experience covering Israel and the Palestinians since May 2012. Co-presented by the Society for the Advancement of Judaism. Limited spaces; pre-registration strongly encouraged at www.uwslrael.org.

• **Shirim LeYeladim**

11:30AM-12:15PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Song session for children, with Shira Averbuch and Yonatan Gutfeld, Keshet and KesheTOT leaders. Co-sponsored by the Israeli American Council (IAC).

• **Join The Israeli Scouts for a Day!**

2:00-4:30PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Join Shevet Tapuach, The Israeli Scouts of Manhattan, as they set up stalls for children ages 6-13 with activities to do with Israel, the land and her people. Coffee and book-nook for younger kids in Frankel Hall.

• **Envisioning Israel: What Does the Future Hold?**

5:00-6:30PM, 89th Street Community House: Join us to hear Prof. Ruth Gavison discuss the issues of Israel as a Jewish and democratic state.

All events are thanks to, in collaboration with, and funded by UJA-Federation.

Shir hadash ashir veshem el akdish ba'adat ariel
Az yashir Moshe Israel hashira hazot lAdonai.

שיר חדש אשיר ושם אל אקדיש בעדת אריאל
אז ישיר משה ישראל השירה הזאת ליי

Ma nikhsefa kalta nafshi lishkon bahatzrot beit kodshi
Lehakriv lo lehem ishi reiah niho-ah lAdonai.

מה נכספה כלתה נפשי לשכון בחצרות בית קדשי
להקריב לו לחם אשי ריח ניחוח ליי

Va-aranen lo berov gila uvrov hedva vetzohola
Shevah utehila haleluyah halelu avdei Adonai.

וארננו לו ברוב גילה וברוב הדנה וצחלה
שבח ותהלה הללויה הללו עבדי יי

Ani lelohim ekra tatzileinu mikol tzara.
Vehu yihye lanu ezra nidvot pi retze Adonai.

אני לאלהים אקרא תצילנו מכל צרה
והוא יהיה לנו עזרה נדבות פי רצה יי

Lanu yishlah meshiheinu bimhera yavo eleinu
Veya'alenu le-artzenu lahazot beno'am Adonai.

לנו ישלח משיחנו במהרה יבא אלינו
ויעלנו לארצנו לחזות בנעם יי

A new song I will sing and the name of God, I will sanctify among the people of Ariel; Then Moshe and Israel shall sing this song to Adonai.

How my soul longs and yearns, to dwell in the courtyards of the House; To offer Him bread of the burnt-offering, a sweet savor to Adonai.

And I will sing to Him with great delight, rejoice and revelry; Praise and glory Halleluyah, Servants of Adonai give praise.

I call out to God, save us from all adversity; And he will be our aid, accept the free will-offerings of my mouth Lord.

He will send us our Messiah, may he soon come upon us; And bring us to our homeland, to gaze upon the beauty of Adonai.

Translation by Sara Kinneret Lapidot