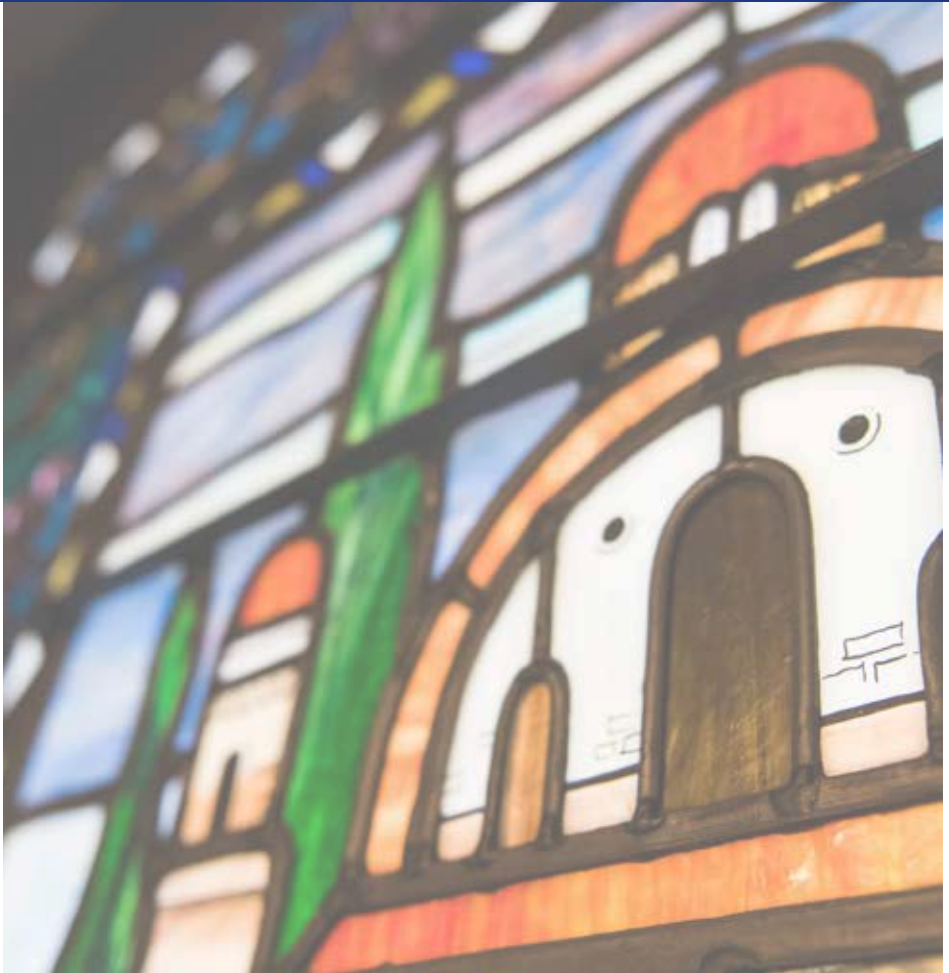


KOL JESHURUN קול ישרון  
The Voice of BJ This Week

B'nai Jeshurun  
בני ישרון



January 5-12, 2018 • 18-25 Tevet, 5778

**WELCOME TO BJ!** We build our kehillah kedoshah—sacred community—with creativity and intention to present a compelling, energizing, and transformational vision of Judaism in the 21st century.

**PLEASE JOIN US:**

- **Prayer & Spirituality**
- **Limud / Learning**
- **Family Life & Learning**
- **Community Events**
- **Tzedek & Hesed / Justice & Acts of Loving-Kindness**
- **Israel Programming**

**RABBIS:** J. Rolando Matalon • Felicia L. Sol • Marcelo R. Bronstein

**HAZZAN:** Ari Priven

**BJ RABBINIC FELLOWS:** Sarah Krinsky • Tobias Divack Moss

**SANCTUARY:** 257 West 88th Street • **OFFICE:** 270 West 89th Street, New York, NY 10024-1705  
**TEL:** 212-787-7600 • **FAX:** 212-496-7600 • **www.bj.org** • **facebook.com/bjnyc** • **Twitter:** @bjnyc

## OUR COMMUNITY

### HA-MAKOM YENAHEM / CONDOLENCES

The community of B'nai Jeshurun extends our sincere condolences to Dini and Michael Golden, their children, Sydney, Danny, and Julian Golden, and their entire family on the death of Dini's mother, Nina Albert.

We are deeply saddened to share the loss of one of our Kadima educators, Hannah Weiss, who was tragically killed along with her parents, Mitchell and Leslie Levin Weiss, and brother, Ari Weiss, in a plane crash in Costa Rica. Hannah was a dedicated teacher within our community. With her warm and nurturing soul, she embraced every student and saw it as her personal mission to pass on the wisdom of her teachings about Tikkun Olam.

### MAZAL TOV / CONGRATULATIONS

To the following members and their families:

- Peyton Rosenberg, his parents, Lilli Link and Jay Rosenberg, his brother, Michael Rosenberg, and his sister, Samantha Rosenberg, on Peyton becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

### B'RUKHIM HABA'IM / WELCOME

- **Welcome to all who are visiting us for the first time!** If we haven't approached you already, come say hi to one of the rabbis, a staff member, or an usher, and we'll introduce you to the people who make BJ the warm, transformative, open place that it is.



#### WHAT YOU CAN BRING:

##### ● Toiletry Kit-Making and Exploring Poverty Issues

**Monday, January 15, 10:00AM-12:00 noon, BJ Sanctuary:** BJ is proudly partnering with Repair the World NYC and the NYC Muslim-Jewish Solidarity Committee for a series of hands-on activities including making toiletry gift sets for the guests of the Judith Bernstein Lunch Program. We are collecting toiletries for this project and need your help! You can drop off small, travel-sized toiletries to the BJ Community House through January 11. More information and registration at [www.bj.org/toiletrykitmaking](http://www.bj.org/toiletrykitmaking).

We try to make the BJ environment comfortable and healthy for as many people as possible. Out of consideration for those with allergies or severe sensitivities, we request that you refrain from wearing perfumes and overly-scented products. Thank you in advance!

We are happy to share BJ's services with those unable to attend in person through automated recording and livestreaming, available on our website and on our YouTube channel. The camera will be focused on the bimah and areas in front of the Ark. Your presence in those areas indicates your consent to your image appearing on the livestream. Tune in live—and to watch previously streamed services and programs—at [www.bj.org/live](http://www.bj.org/live).

# THIS WEEK AT BJ

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

- **Bridging the Gap: Study Exchange with Michigan Corrections Officers** *Accepting applications now through January 8*

This unique encounter, designed to create dialogue across difference, is a two-part experience including travel to Michigan in April 2018 and hosting members of Michigan Corrections Organization in New York in June 2018. Find out more and apply now at [www.bj.org/bridgingthegap](http://www.bj.org/bridgingthegap).

- **Tot Shabbat** 5:15 PM – BJ Sanctuary & Frankel Hall  
Families 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. While adults are finishing their meal, children engage in play and exploration. Register at [www.bj.org/totshabbat](http://www.bj.org/totshabbat).

- **Kabbalat Shabbat Service** 6:30 PM – BJ Sanctuary

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

- **Soulful Start: Hakhanah laTefillah — Preparing for Prayer** 8:45 AM – BJ 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. Every other Saturday.

- **Shabbat Morning Services** 9:30 AM – BJ Sanctuary

**Bar Mitzvah** **Peyton Rosenberg**

- **Children's Services** 10:45 AM – BJ Reception & Middle Rooms

- **Kulanu** 10:45 AM – BJ Chapel

- **Community Kiddush** Following Services – BJ Community House 3rd Floor

- **Haleli Nafshi: Communal Singing and Havdalah** 4:30 PM – BJ Chapel

Join us for our monthly gathering as we spend the final moments of Shabbat together, singing beautiful niggunim and zemirot as havdalah approaches. Please bring a vegetarian snack and/or drink to share. Upcoming session: 2/3.

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

- **Morning Minyan** 9:30 AM – BJ Chapel

- **Purim Shpiel Rehearsal** 10:00 AM – BJ Sanctuary

- **Kadima@BJ Basketball** 11:00 AM – BJ Community House 3rd Floor

## MONDAY, JANUARY 8

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – BJ Chapel

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – BJ Chapel

- **The Book of Genesis with Rabbi Hillel Friedman** 9:30 AM – BJ Middle Room

- **IAC Keshetot@BJ** 4:00 PM – BJ Chapel

An innovative program for families with infants and toddlers from birth until 3.5 years old. Children gain a sense of community, flavored by Israeli culture and Jewish heritage. More information and registration at [www.bj.org/keshetot](http://www.bj.org/keshetot).

- **Parents' Corner: Evening Edition** 7:15 PM – BJ Chapel

Join Rabbi Anne Ebersman and the Kadima Advisory Committee for an evening session of Parents' Corner. We'll discuss the emotional challenges which can arise as our tweens and teens begin to separate from us. More information at [www.bj.org/parentscorner](http://www.bj.org/parentscorner).

- **Everyday Ethics with Rabbi Adina Lewittes** 7:30 PM – BJ Reception Room  
Join us as we take an honest look at real-life examples of the ethical questions we face and the choices we make every day, using Jewish and other sources to awaken, guide, and motivate us. Register now at [www.bj.org/ethics](http://www.bj.org/ethics). Upcoming session: 1/23.

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – BJ Chapel
- **Being a Grandparent in a Jewish Family** 7:00 PM – Frankel Hall  
Are you a grandparent or an elder in a single-faith Jewish family or multi-faith/multi-heritage Jewish family? Join Rabbi Adina Lewittes in this skill-building session, with guest teachers Judith Stern Peck, LCSW and Ruth Nemzoff. Open to all. Register at [www.bj.org/grandparents](http://www.bj.org/grandparents).
- **Introduction to Judaism** 7:30 PM – BJ Community House, Room 408

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

### Teen Domestic Trip to New Orleans (through 1/15)

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – BJ Chapel
- **“In the Mirror” Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Roly Matalon** 12:30 PM – location given with registration
- **Caregivers Support Group** 4:15 PM – BJ Community House  
4th Floor Conference Room  
A monthly support group for BJ members to draw strength, insight, and information from each other and our tradition. Registration required. More info at [www.bj.org/caregivergroups](http://www.bj.org/caregivergroups). Upcoming session: 2/1.

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – BJ Chapel
- **Bim Bam & Bim Bam Hebrew Immersion** 9:15, 10:15, and 11:15 AM – BJ Chapel

## WHAT'S NEXT

- **Mindfulness Kabbalat Shabbat**  
**Friday, January 12**, 6:30PM, BJ Community House 3rd Floor: Led by Rabbi Shuli Passow, Hazzan Ari Priven, and Cantor David Mintz, this service involves meditation, reflection, deep listening, and personal engagement with the parashah. Contact Kristen at [kkersey@bj.org](mailto:kkersey@bj.org) or x255 with any questions.
- **Racial Justice Giving Circle**  
**Sunday, January 14**, 2:00-4:00PM, BJ Sanctuary: BJ is proudly partnering with Repair the World NYC for a series of hands-on activities including the Racial Justice Giving Circle. More information and registration at [www.bj.org/givingcircle](http://www.bj.org/givingcircle).
- **“Soul Food” Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Felicia Sol**  
**Tuesdays, January 16, weekly through March 27**, 12:30-1:45PM, BJ Middle Room: Bring a bag lunch and open up your soul to the nourishment and challenge of Hassidic rabbis. Join Rabbi Felicia Sol as we imagine old-world wisdom for everyday life. More information and registration at [www.bj.org/soulfood](http://www.bj.org/soulfood).
- **Farmworkers Fair Labor Human Rights Hearing**  
**Wednesday, January 17**, 6:30AM, leaving from St. John the Divine, 1047 Amsterdam Avenue: As part of the Justice for Farmworkers Campaign, our Economic Justice Hevra is going up to Albany to hear farmworkers describe their working conditions to a panel of human rights observers, including Sam Waterston. Hearing at 10:00AM. Register at [www.bj.org/farmworkers](http://www.bj.org/farmworkers).
- **David Litt and Robin Pogrebin in Conversation: Words and Politics in America Today**  
**Wednesday, January 17**, 7:00-9:00PM, BJ Sanctuary: The Yale Jewish Alumni Association, together with BJ, presents David Litt and Robin Pogrebin in Conversation: Words and Politics in America Today. The talk will be followed by a wine reception with David and Robin. Register now at [www.bj.org/littpogrebin](http://www.bj.org/littpogrebin).

## WHAT'S NEXT *continued from panel 3*

### ● ● **Teen Learning Series: Otherness**

**Wednesdays, January 17-February 7**, 6:00-7:15PM, BJ Community House: BJ Rabbinic Fellow Sarah Krinsky will examine racial justice, circumcision, chosenness, and intermarriage through the lens of traditional sources and contemporary issues. More information and registration at [www.bj.org/otherness](http://www.bj.org/otherness).

### ● ● **Camp Shabbat: Experience the Magic of Summer Camp**

**Friday, January 19**, 6:30PM, BJ Sanctuary: Experience the magic of Jewish summer camp. Join us for BJ Shabbat services led by campers and brimming with kavannot given by past and present campers of all ages! More information and registration at [www.bj.org/campdinner](http://www.bj.org/campdinner).

### ● **Bo-i Kallah**

**Friday, January 19**, 6:30PM, BJ Reception Room: Join Rabbi Roly Matalon, Deborah Sacks Mintz, and Music Director Dan Nadel for an alternative Kabbalat Shabbat. More information at [www.bj.org/boikallah](http://www.bj.org/boikallah).

### ● **Save the Date: BJ Joins the Women's March on NYC**

**Saturday, January 20**, following Shabbat morning services: Join us and other members of the UWS Jewish community as we raise our voices in the streets. We will gather after services to walk together to where the march will be queuing up on Central Park West. More information to come. Details at [www.bj.org/womensmarch2018](http://www.bj.org/womensmarch2018).

### ● **PJs and Havdalah**

**Saturday, January 20**, 4:45-5:45PM, BJ Chapel: Families with children ages 5 and under are invited to experience havdalah through art, song, and story. Kids are encouraged to come in pajamas to create a warm and cozy atmosphere. More information and registration at [www.bj.org/pjshavdalah](http://www.bj.org/pjshavdalah).

### ● **Young Professionals: Back to Camp Night**

**Saturday, January 20**, 5:30PM, BJ Community House 3rd Floor: Join us as we recreate the magic of summer camp. We will take you back to your favorite camp memories of singing as we end Shabbat together. More information and registration at [www.bj.org/backtocamp](http://www.bj.org/backtocamp).

### ● ● **Camp Shabbat: Family Havdalah and Peulat Erev**

**Saturday, January 20**, 6:00-8:00PM, BJ Community House: BJ has partnered with many Jewish camps to create camp-like evening programming for the whole family. Come participate in various camp activities and take part in a spirited havdalah ceremony. Contact Jacey at [jgluska@bj.org](mailto:jgluska@bj.org) with any questions.

### ● **The Post Panel Discussion with Dr. Adam Arenson**

**Sunday, January 21**, 5:00PM, BJ Community House: The Freedom of Press Advocacy Tzedek Minyan invites you to a panel discussion, facilitated by renowned American historian and BJ member Dr. Adam Arenson, about the new Steven Spielberg movie *The Post*, and current challenges facing our free press. More information at [www.bj.org/post](http://www.bj.org/post).

### ● ● **Meetup for Parents and Babies**

**Wednesdays, January 24-February 28**, 10:30-11:30AM, BJ Community House: Parents with babies ages 0-8 months are invited to meet other parents, gain practical tools, and enjoy some bonding time with your baby in a supportive environment. Meg Akabas, NYSPEP Certified Parenting Educator, will facilitate conversations. More information and registration at [www.bj.org/babies](http://www.bj.org/babies).

### ● ● **Parenting Series: #3 Helping Your Teen**

**Wednesday, January 24**, 6:00-7:15PM, BJ Community House: Join us in the third part of our series as Betsy Stone addresses the question of how to help our teens. What do kids need from us to help them navigate the teen and early adult years? More info at [www.bj.org/helpteens](http://www.bj.org/helpteens).

## WHAT'S LATER *continued from panel 4*

### ● ● Tu Bishvat Community Potluck Dinner

**Friday, January 26**, following Kabbalat Shabbat services, BJ Community House 3rd Floor: Prepare for Tu Bishvat with BJ by joining us for a Community Potluck Dinner, with special guest Nigel Savage. President, CEO and founder of Hazon, Nigel Savage has played a unique role in renewing American Jewish life and creating a healthier and more sustainable world for all. More information and registration at [www.bj.org/potluck](http://www.bj.org/potluck).

### ● ● Potluck Tu Bishvat Seder

**Tuesday, January 30**, 6:30-8:30PM, BJ Reception Room: Join the BJ Environmental Justice Hevra and Rabbinic Fellow Tobias Moss for a fun and engaging potluck Tu Bishvat Seder. For more information and to R.S.V.P., contact Les Judd at [lesjudd@aol.com](mailto:lesjudd@aol.com) with your name and phone number by January 28.

### ● ● 6th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Parent Meeting

**Tuesday, January 30**, 7:00PM, BJ Community House: Parents of children in 6th grade are invited to an informational meeting to review the B'nai Mitzvah process for the upcoming year. For more information, contact Davia Rabinoff-Goldman at [drabinoff@bj.org](mailto:drabinoff@bj.org).

### ● Tefillat haDerekh with Rabbi Marcelo Bronstein

**Tuesdays, February 13, March 6**, 7:00-9:00PM, BJ Middle Room: Life is a journey. Our souls yearn to go home, but where is home? Join us for an exploration of Tefillat haDerekh (the Traveler's Prayer). Together, we will dwell in the stations our souls have stopped in. Register at [www.bj.org/tefilathaderekh](http://www.bj.org/tefilathaderekh).

### ● Discover Jewish Sicily with Rabbi Adina Lewittes

**Monday, May 28-Tuesday, June 5, 2018**: Save the date for a unique adventure led by Rabbi Adina Lewittes, accompanied by Executive Director Colin A. Weil. Explore the sights, sounds, tastes, smells, and touches of ancient and modern-day Sicily. Details at [www.bj.org/sicily2018](http://www.bj.org/sicily2018).

---

## TORAH PORTION


### SHEMOT

<b>Torah: Annual</b>	Exodus 1:1- 6:1
<b>Triennial</b>	Exodus 3:1- 4:17
1:	3:1- 3:6
2:	3:7- 3:10
3:	3:11- 3:15
4:	3:16- 3:22
5:	4:1- 4:5
6:	4:6- 4:9
7:	4:10- 4:17
Maftir:	4:14- 4:17
<b>Haftarah</b>	Isaiah 27:6 - 28:13, 29:22 - 29:23

### NEXT WEEK: VAERA

<b>Torah: Annual</b>	Exodus 6:2- 9:35
<b>Triennial</b>	Exodus 7:8- 8:15
<b>Haftarah</b>	Ezekiel 28:25- 29:21

Coffee not delivering its usual zing? **Come to morning minyan** and get a spiritual jolt to start your day. Develop a daily Jewish practice, meet new people in an intimate setting, and help us make a minyan so our members can say kaddish for their loved ones. **Visit [www.bj.org/minyan](http://www.bj.org/minyan).**

 Printed on Recycled Paper

**BJ RECYCLES AND COMPOSTS.** Please look for bins throughout our spaces. BJ's Ner Tamid at the BJ Sanctuary is powered by the energy of the sun.



Visit us at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org)

