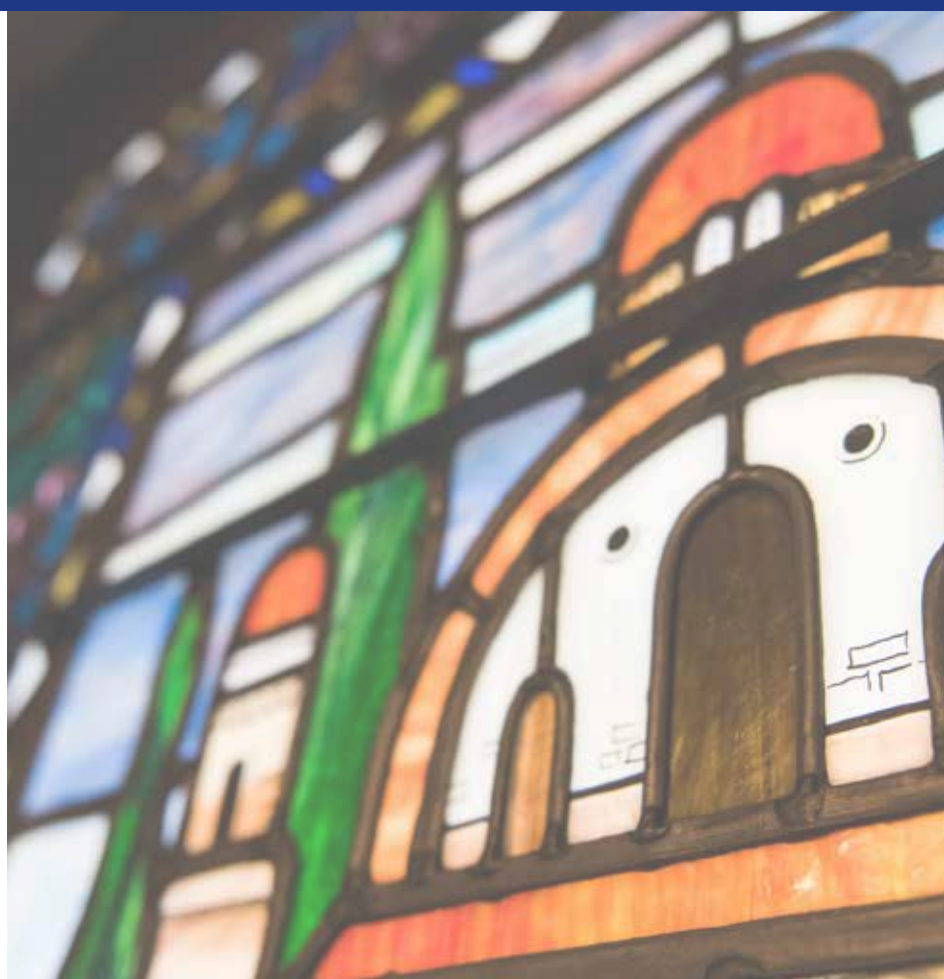


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The Voice of BJ This Week

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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 & Heshed / Justice & Acts of Loving-Kindness**
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OUR COMMUNITY

MAZAL TOV / CONGRATULATIONS

To the following members and their families:

- Rabbi Michael Feinberg and Lisa Zucker, who were honored on October 11 by the Rural & Migrant Ministry for their work supporting farmworkers.
- Joy Sardinsky and David Fineman on their recent wedding.

TODAH RABBAH / THANK YOU

- Thank you to the Kadima Advisory Committee and Aviv for serving as our Friday night greeters this week. On Friday night, please approach any of this week's greeters to learn more about Kadima@BJ, our Jewish education program for children and families, or about Aviv, BJ's community for Young Professionals.

B'RUKHIM HABA'IM / WELCOME

- Rabbi Rachel Ackerman and Confirmation Class, Temple Shalom, Chevy Chase, Maryland.
- **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 DO:

● Become a Poll Worker

No experience required! The BOE will provide training, for which you will be paid. If you or someone you know is interested and would like to work on the UWS (or to be referred to other neighborhoods), contact Bob Botfeld, 212-865-1450.

The 2018 Kol Nidre Partnership Appeal

We are closer to our goal every day and we need YOU! If you have made your gift, thank you! If you haven't yet made your gift: our collective work, plans, and dreams are only realized when each and every BJ member does their part by supporting us financially. Help us remain firmly rooted and reaching upward in the unique and special way that is BJ through your participation in the Kol Nidre Partnership Appeal. Make your gift before the end of the year and help us shape the future we hope for in 2019. Make your pledge now at www.bj.org/kolnidreappeal.



Explore the incredible depth and breadth of programming happening at BJ in the fall issue of our electronic newsletter, *Kol Hadash 2.0*. Find it at www.bj.org/kh2.

THIS WEEK AT BJ

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

- **Mindfulness Kabbalat Shabbat** 6:15 PM – Community House 3rd Floor
Join us for an intimate service featuring meditation, reflection, deep listening, and personal engagement with the parashah. Contact Kristen at kkersey@bj.org or x255 with any questions.
- **Kabbalat Shabbat Service** 6:15 PM – Sanctuary
- **Family Shabbat Dinner: Goodbye Summer and Welcome Home** Following the service – Chapel
Join us for a “welcome home” Shabbat dinner as we say goodbye to summer and the holiday season, and get ready for the amazing year ahead. Register by Monday, October 8 at www.bj.org/shabbatdinneroctober12.
- **Aviv: 20s and 30s Shabbat Game Night** Following the service – Frankel Hall
Join us for a Shabbat game night with pizza and wine! Bring your favorite board game (one that doesn’t require a pencil) for a night of fun with other 20s and 30s. Sign up now at www.bj.org/shabbatgamenight.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

- **Shabbat Morning Services** 9:30 AM – Sanctuary
- **Family Service (0-Pre-K/K-Grade 2)** 10:45 AM – Middle & Reception Rooms
- **Family Service (Grades 3-6)** 10:45 AM – Chapel
- **Community Kiddush** Following services – Community House 3rd Floor
- **Family Hevruta and Havdalah** 5:00 PM – Sanctuary
- **Haleli Nafshi: Communal Singing and Havdalah** 6:00 PM – 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. No registration necessary.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

- **Morning Minyan** 9:30 AM – Chapel
- **Family Open House at the Home of Rabbi Felicia Sol** 10:30 AM – location given upon registration
BJ members with children in 2nd grade and younger are invited to reconnect with BJ friends and meet new people at Rabbi Felicia Sol’s home. Enjoy snacks and schmoozing while children play. Register now at www.bj.org/familyopenhouse.
- **Israeli Book Club Discusses *Our Holocaust* by Amir Gutfreund** 5:00 PM – location given upon registration
Join us and register now at www.bj.org/bookclub.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – Chapel
- **Monday Meditation Minyan** 6:30 PM – Chapel
Led by Yael Shy, each session will include wisdom from the Jewish tradition, guided focused meditation, discussion, and the opportunity for community members to recite Mourner’s Kaddish. No experience necessary. Please register at www.bj.org/maarivmeditation.
- **The Five “W”s of Prayer: Who/What/When/Where/Why** 7:00 PM – Community House
Join Rabbinic Fellow Abi Weber for a five-part series in which we explore the five “W”s of prayer. Each class will stand alone, so new participants are always welcome. Sign up now at www.bj.org/fivews.
- **POSTPONED: Ritual Lab: Emerging From a Year of Mourning**
This series will be postponed to a later date.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – Chapel
- **The Classical Prophets of Our Times with Rabbi Hillel Friedman** 10:00 AM – 4th Floor Conference Room
Join Rabbi Hillel Friedman, longtime BJ member, for a perusal of the classical prophets. Together we will study excerpts and apply their wisdom to our concerns in the 21st century. Sign up now at www.bj.org/classicalprophets.
- **“Soul Food” Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Felicia Sol** 12:30 PM – Middle Room
Bring a bag lunch and join Rabbi Felicia Sol as we imagine old world wisdom for everyday life. Each class stands alone; new participants are always welcome. Sign up now at www.bj.org/soulfood.
- **“Wiki-Torah: Genesis” Weekly Torah Study with BJ Rabbinic Fellow Tobias Divack Moss** 6:30 PM – Chapel
Way before Wikipedia, Judaism developed an ever-expanding network of texts. Using portions from Genesis as starting points, we will follow these links of tradition that connect texts and generations. First-time participants, sign up now at www.bj.org/wikitorah2018. Through 12/18 (except 10/23 and 12/4)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – Chapel
- **Baby Fingers** 3:30 PM – Middle Room
- **Teen Learning Series** 6:00 PM – Reception Room
- **BJ/SPSA Racial Justice Meeting** 7:00 PM – SPSA
- **Introduction to Judaism** 7:00 PM – Community House
This course offers an overview of the core beliefs, practices, and history of Judaism and the Jewish people. No prior knowledge or experience necessary. Registration required: individuals \$435/\$660; couples \$645/\$975 (members/non-members). Register at www.bj.org/introtojudiasm. Through May 8, 2019.
- **Everyday Ethics with Rabbi Adina Lewittes** 7:00 PM – Frankel Hall
Rabbi Adina Lewittes will guide 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/everydayethics.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – Chapel
- **“In the Mirror” Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Roly Matalon** 12:30 PM – location provided upon registration
Continue reading short stories about the lives, struggles, and concerns of the Talmudic rabbis, in order to become better equipped to wrestle with our human nature. No Hebrew knowledge is required. This class has reached capacity. Upcoming classes: 10/25; 11/1, 25; 12/3, 13, 20; 1/10, 17, 24; 3/7, 14, 28; 4/4, 11. To join the waitlist, email Beth at btarson@bj.org.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – Chapel
- **Bim Bam** 10:15 AM, 11:15 AM – Chapel

Hesed at BJ

Do you need help getting to a doctor's visit, or to BJ services? Would you like a regular visit or phone call from a Hesed volunteer? If you or someone you know would like support, please reach out at: hesed@bj.org.

WHAT'S NEXT

● **Bo-i Kallah**

Friday, October 19, 6:15PM, Reception Room: Join Rabbi Roly Matalon and Music Director Dan Nadel for an alternative Kabbalat Shabbat featuring melodies from Sephardi and Mizrahi traditions, verses of Shir haShirim, and beautiful piyutim. With all of these elements, we will transition soulfully into holy time. More information at www.bj.org/boikallah.

● ● **Lekh Lekha: Stories of Journeying from Refugees, Asylum Seekers, and Immigrants**

Saturday, October 20, during and after Shabbat morning services and during Havdalah, BJ Sanctuary, Chapel, and SPSA: BJ is participating in HIAS's national Refugee Shabbat initiative. Join us for special programming throughout the day to hear stories of refugees, asylum seekers, and immigrants, and to learn how to take action. Learn more at www.bj.org/lekhlekha.

● ● **Family Day of Service (2nd Grade & Under)**

Sunday, October 21, 10:30AM-12:00 noon, Reception Room: Families with children in 2nd grade and younger are invited to join us as we partner with Repair the World for a day of service. For more information and to register, visit www.bj.org/service2nd.

● **Let it Rise: Challah Baking 101**

Sunday, October 21, 1:00-4:00PM, Frankel Hall and Kitchen: This introductory course will help you bring the magic of challah to your Shabbat table, featuring a learning session geared towards adult learners; younger learners comfortable with this level are welcome. Register now at www.bj.org/letitrise.

● **Bridging the Gap: Reflections from BJ's Exchange with MCO**

Monday, October 22, 7:00-9:00PM, Reception Room: Hear from Rabbi Roly Matalon and BJ members about their experiences and learning from participating in our exchange with the Michigan Corrections Organization (MCO). Sign up now at www.bj.org/exchangereflections.

● **BJ Environmental Advocates Meeting**

Tuesday, October 23, 6:30-8:30PM, location given upon registration: Join us for our first meeting in the new year. To learn more, visit www.bj.org/environmentaladvocates. Email lesjudd@aol.com to R.S.V.P.

● **Jewish Museum Vienna—Combating Antisemitism and Xenophobia**

Tuesday, October 23, 7:00PM, Community House: Come hear Jewish Museum Vienna CEO Dr. Danielle Spera talk about the extremely valuable work their education department does with pupils, adolescents, and refugees. Sign up now at www.bj.org/jewishmuseumvienna.

● **Taste of Other Israel—Short Film Screening**

Thursday, October 25, 7:00-8:30PM, Community House: Join us for a screening of three thought-provoking short films from the JCC's Other Israel Film Festival. Watch, learn, and discuss topics important to Israeli society today. Sign up now at www.bj.org/tasteofotherisrael.

● **Reach for Shabbat Retreat**

Friday, October 26–Sunday, October 28, Isabella Freedman Jewish Retreat Center: Join us for an incredible opportunity to get to know our Kadima@BJ community, including other families and teachers. Register at www.bj.org/reachforshabbatretreat.

● ● **Shabbat Dinner with Women Cook**

Friday, October 26, following Kabbalat Shabbat services, Reception Room: Join us for a special Middle Eastern dinner with Women Cook, an organization of women from economically disadvantaged communities throughout Israel. Cost is \$45/members and \$55/non-members. Register at www.bj.org/womencookshabbat.

WHAT'S NEXT *continued from panel 4*

● **Om Shalom Trio in Concert**

Saturday, October 27, 7:00-8:30PM, Reception Room: Join cellist Jessie Reagan Mann and the Om Shalom Trio for an evening of globe-spanning music merging Indian and Jewish melodies for a unique blend and sound. Limited seating available; register now at www.bj.org/omshalomtrio.

● **Meet IDF Special Forces Rescue Unit 669 Alumni**

Sunday, October 28, 5:00-6:30PM, Community House: Join us for an evening of stories and insight into the world of Unit 669—Israel's elite combat search and rescue unit. Sign up now at www.bj.org/unit669.

● **Cooking In Hebrew: A Course in Israeli Cuisine**

Wednesdays, Fall: October 31, November 28, January 2, February 6; Spring: March 6, April 10, May 15, June 5, 11:00AM-2:00PM, Frankel Hall: Participants learn to prepare traditional Israeli and Middle Eastern kosher dishes, exposing them to Israel's multi-cultural society, and an opportunity to improve their Hebrew in the process. No prior knowledge of Hebrew or cooking necessary. Sign up for either one or both four-class semesters at www.bj.org/cookinginhebrewwednesday.

WHAT'S LATER

● ● **Yedid Nefesh: Uncovering the Melodies of Shabbat**

Friday, November 2, 5:30PM, Chapel: Prepare to enter Shabbat by joining Hazzan Ari Priven for this new opportunity to unlock the melodies that you'll hear throughout Shabbat services. For more information, visit www.bj.org/yedidnefesh.

● **Preserving Israel's Character as a "Jewish and Democratic" State: Urgent Legal and Religious Challenges**

Sunday, November 4, 5:00-6:30PM, Community House: Bringing their unique perspectives as leaders in their respective communities, Rabbi David Saperstein and Uri Regev of Hiddush will focus on current divisive issues in Israel. Sign up now at www.bj.org/preservingisrael.

● ● **Teen Service Learning Trip to the Dominican Republic**

Sunday, February 17–Sunday, February 24, 2019, the Dominican Republic: 10th-12th graders, join us on our annual service learning trip. Help build much-needed schools and complete a community center for some of the poorest neighborhoods of Santo Domingo. Register by October 15 at www.bj.org/dominicanrepublic2019.

See separate flier for this week's Torah portion and "Taste of Torah."

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.

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