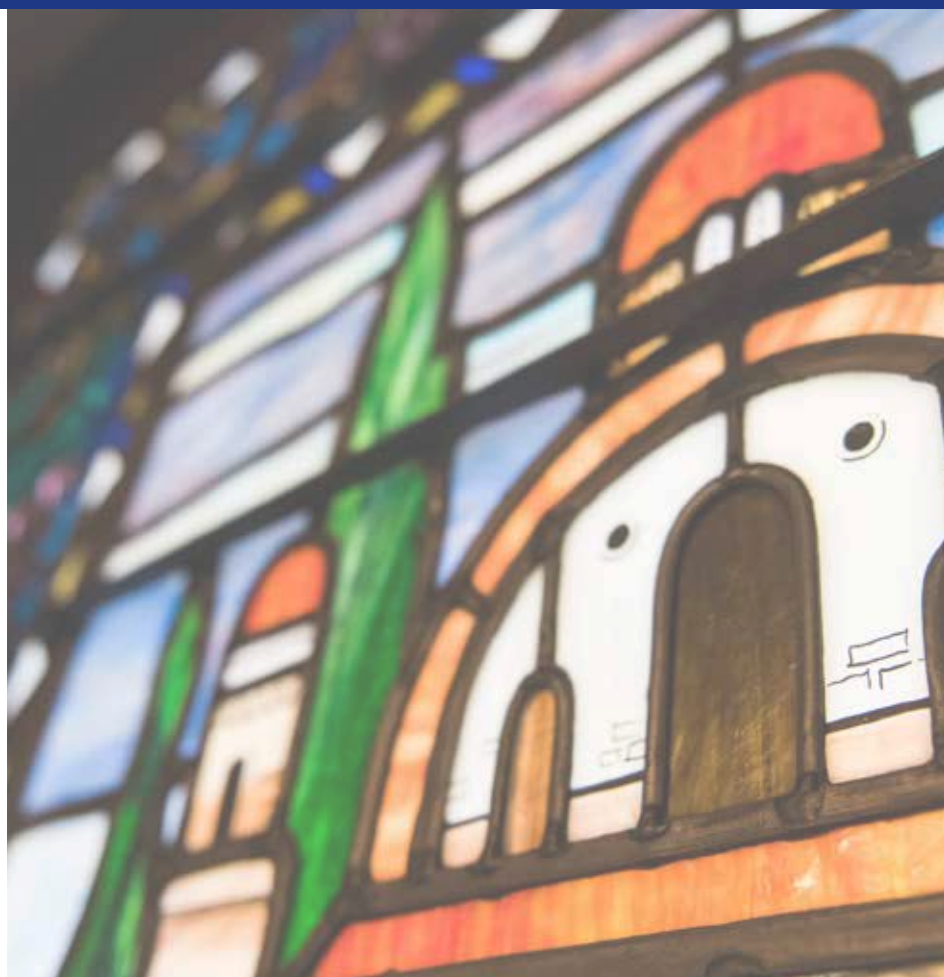


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The Voice of BJ This Week

B'nai Jeshurun  
בני ישרון



November 9-16, 2018 • 1-8 Kislev, 5779

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# OUR COMMUNITY

## MAZAL TOV / CONGRATULATIONS

To the following members and their families:

- Ellis Marley Whiteson, his parents Janine and Jonathan Whiteson, and his brother, Harris, Whiteson, on Ellis becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Alana N. Drexler and her mother, Susan L. Drexler, on Alana becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Alberto and Laura Masliah on the naming of their daughter, Goldie Lea Masliah.

## TODAH RABBAH / THANK YOU

This week's Community Kiddush is supported by Janine and Jonathan Whiteson in honor of Ellis Whiteson becoming a Bar Mitzvah

## B'RUKHIM HABA'IM / WELCOME

- Ricki Horne and students, Operation Understanding D.C., Washington, D.C.
- Myriam Rofrano and members, Temple Beth Avodah, Newton, Massachusetts.
- **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.

**B'nai Jeshurun stands with members of our community who are trans, gender fluid, or questioning their gender identities. No matter what anyone says, your identity cannot be erased. We see you, we love you, and we welcome you here.**



### WHAT YOU CAN DO:

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

**Wednesday, December 12**, 3:00-9:00PM, Sanctuary: Save a life and donate at the BJ Blood Drive. Donation takes 45 min.-1 hr. Don't forget to bring your donor ID card or number (if you have one). For more information and to register, visit [www.bj.org/blooddrive](http://www.bj.org/blooddrive).

### The 2018 Kol Nidre Partnership Appeal

We are getting 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](http://www.bj.org/kolnidreappeal).


# THIS WEEK AT BJ

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9 | ROSH HODESH KISLEV

● **BJ Sanctuary Centennial Celebration** Various dates and times – Sanctuary  
As we celebrate 100 years in our sanctuary, join us for one or all of our exciting events. For a complete list of the Centennial Celebration program, see the printed insert or visit [www.bj.org/100](http://www.bj.org/100).

● **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](mailto:kkersey@bj.org) or x255 with any questions.

● **Kabbalat Shabbat Service** 6:15 PM – Sanctuary  
In celebration of Camp Shabbat, tonight's service will be led by BJ teens.

● **Family Shabbat Dinner: Camp Shabbat** Following Kabbalat Shabbat services – Chapel and Middle Room  
 Experience the magic of Jewish summer camp at a "camp-style" Shabbat dinner. A special, but not exclusive, invitation goes out to our Kitah Bet families! Register at [www.bj.org/campshabbatdinner](http://www.bj.org/campshabbatdinner).

● **Aviv: 20s and 30s Shabbat Dinner** Following Kabbalat Shabbat services – Frankel Hall  
Join us for a Kabbalat Shabbat service and a catered Kosher Shabbat dinner! Mix and mingle with 20s and 30s from the community and make new friends over dinner. Register now at [www.bj.org/20s30sshabbat](http://www.bj.org/20s30sshabbat).

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10

● **Shabbat Morning Services** 9:30 AM – Sanctuary

**Bar Mitzvah** **Ellis Whiteson**

**Naming** **Goldie Lea Masliah**

● **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

● **"Wiki-Torah: Genesis" Weekly Torah Study with BJ Rabbinic Fellow Tobias Divack Moss** Following Kiddush – Community House

Spend a few minutes at Kiddush, grab a plate of food, and come join a conversation about the weekly Torah portion. First-time participants, sign up now at [www.bj.org/wikitorah2018](http://www.bj.org/wikitorah2018). Upcoming classes: 11/24; 12/8, 22.

● **Family Hevrutah and Havdalah** 4:30 PM – Middle Room

● **Minha Service** 4:30 PM – Sanctuary

**Bat Mitzvah** **Alana Drexler**

● **Haleli Nafshi: Communal Singing and Havdalah** 4:30 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.

● **Camp Shabbat: A Jewish Camping Experience** 5:30 PM – Community House 3rd Floor

Join representatives from your favorite camps for some of your favorite Saturday night camp activities. All are welcome at this family event. Register now at [www.bj.org/campshabbat](http://www.bj.org/campshabbat).

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

● **Morning Minyan** 9:30 AM – Chapel

● **Hebrew Speaking Havurah** 5:30 PM – location given upon registration

Get together with other Hebrew speakers and Rabbi Yisrael Serok to discuss current affairs in Hebrew. For more information visit [www.bj.org/hebrewspeakinghavurah](http://www.bj.org/hebrewspeakinghavurah). To R.S.V.P., email Nili at [ngitig@gmail.com](mailto:ngitig@gmail.com).

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12 | Veterans Day

● **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/meditationminyan](http://www.bj.org/meditationminyan).

● **Sanctify and Sip:** 7:00 PM – Middle Room

### **An Exploration of Making Kiddush**

Join Rabbi Adina Lewittes for an exploration of the practice of making Kiddush. As we dig deep into tradition and innovation, we invite you to learn more and enhance your own practice. For more information, visit [www.bj.org/sanctifyandsip](http://www.bj.org/sanctifyandsip).

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

● **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – Chapel

● **The Prophets with Rabbi Hillel Friedman** 9:00 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/theprophets](http://www.bj.org/theprophets).

● **"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](http://www.bj.org/soulfood).

● **Latkes All Night Long—A Hanukkah Play for Kindergarten, First–Third Graders (Rehearsals)** Through Tuesday, December 11 – various times and locations

In this rocking holiday musical revue, BJ's youngest actors will shine on stage as they tell the story of Hanukkah. To learn more or get involved, contact Emma Miller at [theaterco@bj.org](mailto:theaterco@bj.org).

● **B'nai Mitzvah Parent Orientation Meeting** 6:15 PM – Chapel

Parents of children in 4th grade, or whose birth dates fall between September 2008 and December 2009, are invited to an informational meeting detailing the B'nai Mitzvah planning process, including date applications. Visit [www.bj.org/bmorientation](http://www.bj.org/bmorientation) for more info.

● **Bikkur Holim 101:** 6:30 PM – Sanctuary

### **Learning Through Role Playing**

Join Rabbis Shuli Passow, Erin Glazer, and Michael Boino, and Rabbinic Fellow Abi Weber for an evening of learning through role playing of various Bikkur Holim volunteer mitzvot. Sign up now at [www.bj.org/bikkurholim101](http://www.bj.org/bikkurholim101).

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

● **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – Chapel

● **Baby Fingers** 3:30 PM – Middle Room

● **Teen Learning Series** 6:00 PM – Community House Room 411

● **Introduction to Judaism** 7:00 PM – Community House

● **Everyday Ethics with Rabbi Adina Lewittes** 7:00 PM – Reception Room

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](http://www.bj.org/everydayethics).

**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](mailto:hesed@bj.org).

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – Chapel
- **“In the Mirror” Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Roly Matalon** No class this week  
Upcoming classes: 11/29; 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](mailto:btarson@bj.org).
- **Peace in Dialogue: An Israel Salon with Wahat al-Salam/Neve Shalom** 7:00 PM – location given upon registration  
Join Vered Marom and Samah Salaime, two leaders of Neve Shalom, the only bi-national village in Israel, to hear about the education, dialogue, and peace-building work being done in this unique community. Sign up now at [www.bj.org/peaceindialogue](http://www.bj.org/peaceindialogue).

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

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

## WHAT'S NEXT

- **Bo-i Kallah**  
*Friday, November 16, 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/boikallah11](http://www.bj.org/boikallah11).
- ● **The Mindful Calendar Series: A Gratitude Workshop with Rabbi Shuli Passow**  
*Saturday, November 17*, following kiddush, Chapel: We will explore the idea of gratitude as a spiritual state, as well as methods for practicing and cultivating deeper gratitude. Prepare for Thanksgiving with this interactive and heart-opening workshop. For more information, visit [www.bj.org/mindfulcalendargratitude](http://www.bj.org/mindfulcalendargratitude).
- **Thousand Turkey Challenge and Launch Party**  
*Sunday, November 18, 12:00-1:30PM*, SPSA, 263 West 86th Street: This challenge is an effort to provide low-income families at West Side Campaign Against Hunger with Thanksgiving food. Activities include a turkey drawing contest for kids and tours of the emergency food pantry. For more information, visit [www.bj.org/turkeychallenge](http://www.bj.org/turkeychallenge).
- **Born With Wings: An Evening with Daisy Khan**  
*Monday, November 19, 7:00PM*, location TBD: In conversation with Rabbi Roly Matalon, Daisy Khan will discuss the place of faith, spirituality, feminism, and activism in our lives, and how she realized her inner power. Sign up now at [www.bj.org/bornwithwings](http://www.bj.org/bornwithwings).
- **Economic Justice Hevra Meeting**  
*Tuesday, November 20, 6:45PM*, Middle Room: Get involved in the Justice for Farmworkers Campaign. Together, we will expand understanding of ethical consumption and ensure farm laborers get the dignity and equality they deserve. To R.S.V.P., contact Lisa at [lisagzucker@gmail.com](mailto:lisagzucker@gmail.com).
- **The Book of Job**  
*Mondays, November 26, December 10, 17, January 7, 14, 7:00-8:00PM*, Community House: Join Rabbi Michael Boino for this five-part series as we analyze the powerful Book of Job. Each session will build upon the previous sessions. Hebrew reading ability is helpful, but not required. Sign up now at [www.bj.org/bookofjob](http://www.bj.org/bookofjob).
- **Medicare Fall Open Enrollment**  
*Tuesday, November 27, 10:00-11:00AM*, Chapel: New York City Council Member Helen Rosenthal invites you to participate in an enrollment awareness event. Get connected to programs that help pay the costs associated with Medicare. Sign up now at [www.bj.org/medicare](http://www.bj.org/medicare).

## WHAT'S LATER

### ● **Jews in the Modern World: Looking Back, Looking Forward**

**Tuesday, November 27, 7:30PM**, Sanctuary: Presented by Hadar, join Rabbi Shai Held and Rabbi David Ellenson for a panel conversation, moderated by Jane Eisner of *The Forward*. They will explore the big questions of modern Jewish life. Register using code BJ1127 at [www.bj.org/modernjews](http://www.bj.org/modernjews).

### ● **Community Shabbat Dinner with Rabbi Adina Lewittes**

**Friday, November 30**, following the Kabbalat Shabbat service, Reception and Middle Rooms: Get ready to make your Shabbat a little sweeter with friends, food, and soulful singing led by Rabbi Adina Lewittes. Bring your friends, family, and dairy/vegetarian creations. Sign up now at [www.bj.org/rabbilewittesshabbat](http://www.bj.org/rabbilewittesshabbat).

### ● **An Evening With Pete Earley, Mental Health Advocate**

**Thursday, November 29, 7:00PM**, Temple Shaaray Tefila, 250 East 79th Street: Join author and mental-health advocate Pete Early to hear about the experiences that inspired his book *Crazy: A Father's Search Through America's Mental Health Madness*. Although there is an \$18 suggested donation, registration is free at: [www.bj.org/peteearley](http://www.bj.org/peteearley).

### ● **The Amazing Life of Eliezer Ben Yehudah—A Post Kiddush—Talk with Ben Yehuda's Granddaughter Eliezra**

**Saturday, December 1**, following Shabbat morning services, Chapel: Join Eliezer Ben-Yehuda's granddaughter Eliezra after kiddush as she tells his amazing life story from an insider's perspective, sharing details never told before. No registration necessary. For more information, visit [www.bj.org/eliezerbenyehudah](http://www.bj.org/eliezerbenyehudah).

### ● **Aviv: The Tova Project with 20s and 30s**

**Thursday, December 6, 6:30PM**, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, 1 West 4th Street: Our rabbinic fellow, Tobias Divack Moss, will be presenting an evening of music and story in honor of his Israeli folksinging grandmother, Tova. Afterwards, grab drinks and doughnuts with other 20s and 30s. Sign up now at [www.bj.org/tova20s30s](http://www.bj.org/tova20s30s).

### ● **Family Pre-Party—100 Years of Song: Community Centennial and Hanukkah Celebration**

**Sunday, December 9, 3:45-4:30PM**, Frankel Hall: Join us for a lively pre-party for as we enjoy some delicious snacks, play games, see our wonderful BJ Theater Company perform, and celebrate Hanukkah and 100 years of the BJ sanctuary. Sign up now at [www.bj.org/familyparty](http://www.bj.org/familyparty).

### ● **100 Years of Song: Community Centennial and Hanukkah Celebration**

**Sunday, December 9, 4:30PM**, Sanctuary: Add your voice to a musical journey through the past 100 years. Starting with a Family Pre-Party at 3:45, this event is truly for the whole community! Festive reception to follow. Sign up now at [www.bj.org/centennialhanukkah](http://www.bj.org/centennialhanukkah).

*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](http://www.bj.org/live).

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