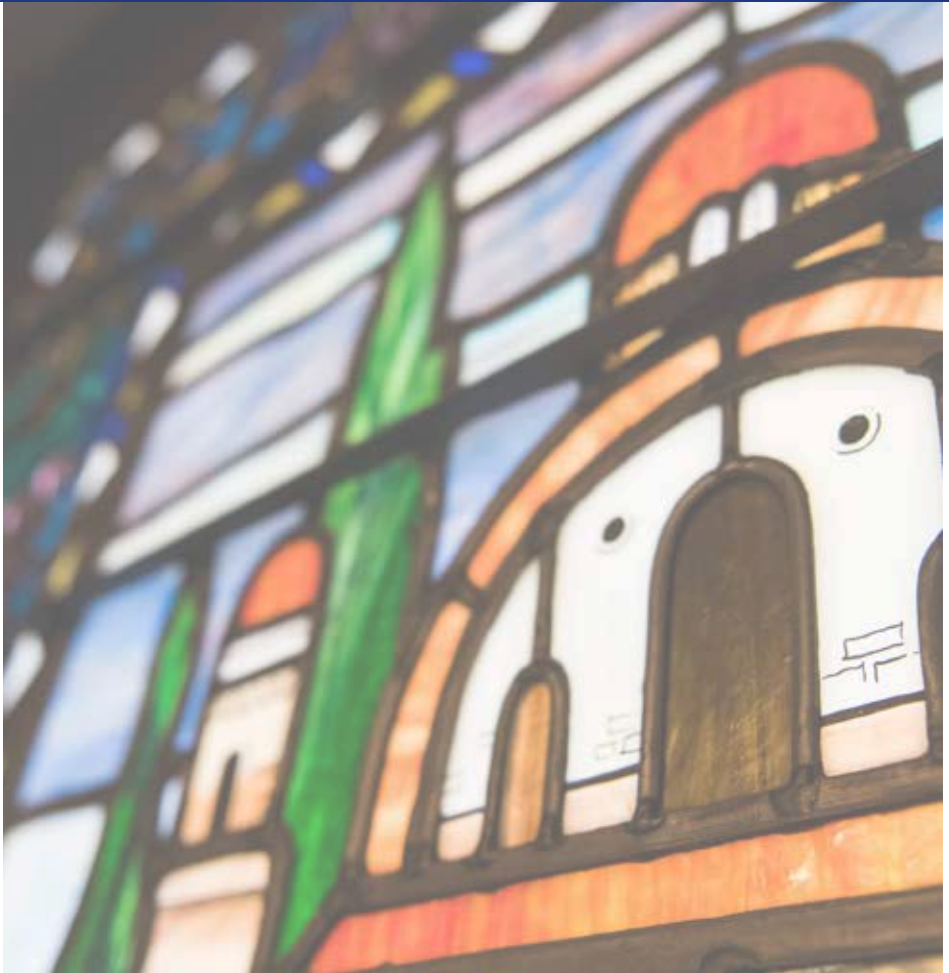


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The Voice of BJ This Week

B'nai Jeshurun
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November 10-17, 2017 • 21-28 Heshvan, 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**

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OUR COMMUNITY

MAZAL TOV / CONGRATULATIONS

To the following members and their families:

- Sabina and Alexander Sas and their parents, Ardith and Juliusz Sas, on Sabina and Alexander becoming B'nai Mitzvah.
- Noah Sar Rudin, his parents, Max Rudin and Amy Schatz, and his sister, Eve Rudin, on Noah becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Linda Golding on being accepted to the Interfaith Center of New York's Interfaith Civic Leadership Fellowship.
- Marvin Israelow and Dorian Goldman on the birth of their grandson, Avi Israelow.

TODAH RABBAH / THANK YOU

This week's Community Kiddush is sponsored by Ardith and Juliusz Sas in honor of Sabina and Alexander becoming B'nai Mitzvah.

B'RUKHIM HABA'IM / WELCOME

- Celia Lerch and Confirmation Class, Congregation Micah, Brentwood, Tennessee.
- Ricki Horne and youth participants, Operation Understanding DC, Washington, DC.
- Rabbi Joe Eiduson, Debbi Morin, and 9th Grade Religious School students, Congregation B'nai Shalom, Westborough, Massachusetts.
- Matthew Clash-Drexler and members, Temple Emanuel, Kensington, Maryland.
- 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:

● Tzedek Minyanim: Registration Open!

We are offering over 20 different Tzedek Minyanim—small groups focusing on advocacy, service, or study—exploring the themes of Faith & Public Life. Each group will be led by a BJ member. Visit www.bj.org/faith to see the exciting minyanim your fellow community members have created, and to register.

SAVE THE DATES! Visit www.bj.org/retreats for more information:

"ISRAEL CELEBRATES 70" COMMUNITY TRIP TO ISRAEL, Dec. 25, 2017-Jan. 3, 2018

TEEN DOMESTIC TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 11-15, 2018

MINDFULNESS RETREAT IN COSTA RICA, Jan. 14-21, 2018

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!

THIS WEEK AT BJ

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

- **Hitoreri: Teen-Only Kabbalat Shabbat & Dinner** 6:30 PM – BJ Reception Room
Join us for this monthly tradition as teens participate in a Kabbalat Shabbat service, followed by dinner. We're excited to welcome a group of teens from Jewish Teen Initiative of Greater Boston for a Shabbat to remember. More information and registration at www.bj.org/hitoreri.
- **Mindfulness Kabbalat Shabbat** 6:30 PM – BJ Community House 3rd Floor
Led by Rabbi Marcelo Bronstein, Rabbi Rachel Cowan, Rabbi Shuli Passow, Hazzan Ari Priven, and Cantor David Mintz, this service involves meditation, reflection, deep listening, and personal engagement with the parashah. Visit www.bj.org/kabbalatshabbat for more information.
- **Kabbalat Shabbat Service** 6:30 PM – BJ Sanctuary
- **Family Shabbat Dinner** 6:30 PM – BJ Sanctuary & Frankel Hall
Join us for Kabbalat Shabbat and a Family Shabbat Dinner! We will begin together with Kabbalat Shabbat in the Sanctuary and will head to dinner in Frankel Hall after Lekha Dodi. We offer a special invitation to our Kadima@BJ Kitah Gimmel and Dalet (3rd and 4th grade) families. Registration at www.bj.org/familydinner.
- **Shabbat Across Ramah Minyan** 7:00 PM – BJ Chapel
The Ramah Minyan and BJ's Tze'irim are hosting a minyan, followed by dinner at B'nai Jeshurun. More information and registration at www.bj.org/shabbatramah.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

- **Shabbat Morning Services** 9:30 AM – BJ Sanctuary
- Bat Mitzvah** **Sabina Sas**
- Bar Mitzvah** **Alexander Sas**
- **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
- **Minḥa Service** 4:30 PM – BJ Sanctuary
- Bar Mitzvah** **Noah Rudin**
- **Turkey Tov with Garinim** 5:00 PM – BJ Community House
Children in grades K-2 are invited for an awesome night of celebrating all that they're thankful for this year with Garinim at BJ. We will bring in this Thanksgiving with games, crafts, and autumnal snacks. Registration details at www.bj.org/turkeytov.
- **Everybody Loves Hummus** 5:15 PM – BJ Community House 3rd Floor
All members are invited to meet leading Israeli culinary journalist and television personality, Gil Hovav, for an entertaining presentation on Israel's most popular dish: hummus. The evening will conclude with a catered dinner from Hummus Place. Babysitting for ages 2-5 and programming for grades K-2 offered so that young parents can attend. Register now at www.bj.org/hummus.
- **Ties That Bind Us** 5:30 PM – BJ Chapel
- **Havdalah and a Movie** 5:30 PM – BJ Middle Room

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

- **Morning Minyan** 9:30 AM – BJ Chapel
- **Collaborating With Elie Wiesel: Slide Talk by Artist Mark Podwal** 11:00 PM – BJ Reception Room
Join Connections to hear artist Mark Podwal talk about his career in connecting his artistic talent to his interest in Jewish legend and tradition. Fee: \$10/\$13 (members/non-members). Brunch included; registration required: www.bj.org/podwal.
- **Tze'irim Shelter Cooking** 12:00 noon – BJ Kitchen
Join us as we cook a meal for the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter. Please plan on contributing \$8-10 to help cover the groceries that will feed folks in our shelter. Visit www.bj.org/shelter for more information and registration.

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- **Shorashim Todah-Day Parade** 2:00 PM – BJ Community House
Children in grades 3-5, come on down to the BJ Community House and build your very own float with Shorashim. Celebrate all that you're thankful for this year with games, snacks, and awesome building challenges. Registration details at www.bj.org/todahparade.
 - **Israel Trip Orientation** 5:00 PM – BJ Community House
Members registered for the "Israel Celebrates 70" Community Trip to Israel are invited to attend this information session, in which we will review the trip's itinerary and answer all questions. Pizza will be served. More information at www.bj.org/israelinfo.
 - **Conversational Hebrew Group** 5:30 PM – Location given with registration
Get together with other Hebrew speakers to discuss current affairs. Each month, a topic will be chosen and reading material in both English and Hebrew will be provided. R.S.V.P. to Nili at ngitig@gmail.com.
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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

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

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – BJ Chapel
- **The Book of Genesis with Rabbi Hillel Friedman** 9:30 AM – BJ Middle Room
- **"Soul Food" Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Felicia Sol** 12:30 PM – 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. Register at www.bj.org/soulfood. Weekly through 12/12 (no class 11/21).
- **Bikkur Holim 101** 6:30 PM – BJ Chapel
Join us for a learning and skill-building workshop about supporting those who are elderly, ill, or recovering from illness. Facilitated by Rabbi Michael Boino, BJ Coordinator of Pastoral Care and Support. For new and returning volunteers. BJ members only. Register at www.bj.org/bh101.
- **B'nai Mitzvah Parent Orientation Meeting** 7:00 PM – BJ Reception Room
Parents of children in 4th grade, or whose birth dates fall between September 2007 and December 2008, are invited to an informational meeting detailing the B'nai Mitzvah planning process, including date applications. Visit www.bj.org/bnai for more info.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – BJ Chapel
- **Teen Learning** 6:00 PM – BJ Community House
- **Raising Compassionate, Successful, and Happy Children in an Angry Time** 7:00 PM – BJ Chapel
Join Dr. Ron Taffel and Rabbi Felicia Sol as we begin the conversation on navigating the challenges of parenting in an angry and coarse time. More information and registration at www.bj.org/happychildren.
- **Introduction to Judaism** 7:30 PM – BJ Community House, Room 408

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

- **Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – BJ Chapel
- **Refugee and Immigration Committee Meeting** 6:30 PM – BJ Reception Room
Meet veterans who fought in Iraq and now help refugees and immigrants resettle in the U.S. As our guest speakers, they will share their experiences and help BJ plan critical social justice work with their veterans organization. Register at www.bj.org/immigration.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

- **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

● Bo-i Kallah

Friday, November 17, 6:30PM, BJ Reception Room: Join Rabbi Roly Matalon, Deborah Sacks Mintz, and Music Director Dan Nadel for an alternative Kabbalat Shabbat. With soulful melodies, verses of Shir haShirim (Song of Songs), liturgical poems, and Psalms, we will transition gently and with full kavannah, leaving workweek anxieties behind, welcoming Shabbat.

● Soulful Start: Hakhanah laTefillah— Preparing for Prayer

Every other Saturday (November 18; December 2, 16), 8:45-9:25AM, 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.

● Interfaith Thanksgiving Packathon and Thousand Turkey Challenge Kickoff Supporting WSCAH

Saturday, November 18, 12:00 noon-2:00PM, and **Sunday, November 19**, 12:15-1:30PM, SPSA, 263 West 86th Street: Join our partners, SPSA and the Muslim Community Network, on Saturday to sort packaged Thanksgiving sides and fill them assembly-line style into bags that will be distributed by WSCAH to the families they serve across NYC during the Thousand Turkey Challenge. More information at www.bj.org/packathon. Then join us the following day to kick off the challenge, which is an effort to provide low-income families at WSCAH with Thanksgiving and holiday food. More information at www.bj.org/turkeychallenge.

● A Fall Hike With Yozma

Sunday, November 19, 9:00AM, Palisades (meet at BJ): Join Yozma (BJ members and friends in their 40s & 50s) for a moderate five-mile hike. We'll meet outside the BJ Sanctuary to travel to the starting point together. More details and registration at www.bj.org/yoymahike.

● Family & Friends Game Day

Sunday, November 19, 3:00-5:00PM, BJ Sanctuary: Spend the afternoon with your family & friends, and help support the BJ Teen Program! Come by for games and fun activities. Entrance is \$5/person. Visit www.bj.org/gameday for more information and registration.

● Interfaith Peace Feast

Sunday, November 19, 6:00-8:00PM, SPSA Social Hall, 263 West 86th Street: Join our Muslim and Christian friends for a vegetarian potluck dinner with live music, icebreakers, and teachings and scriptural readings about peace. Event is free of charge, but pre-registration is required; preference is given to BJ members. More information at www.bj.org/interfaithfeast.

● Everyday Ethics with Rabbi Adina Lewittes

Tuesdays, November 21, 28; December 15, 7:30-9:00PM, 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.

● Shishi Israeli Dinner for Adults

Friday, November 24, 8:00-10:00PM, BJ Community House: Shishi Israeli is where Israeli and Jewish Americans create a shared experience around the Shabbat dinner table. Get to know like-minded adults ages 35 and older, while enjoying the finest of Israeli cuisine. More information and registration at www.bj.org/shishi.

● Being a Grandparent in a Jewish Family: A Three-Part Series

Wednesdays, November 29, December 6, January 10, 7:00PM-9:15PM, Frankel Hall: The love between grandparents and grandchildren can extend its influence for generations to come. If you are a grandparent in a single-faith Jewish family or multifaith/multi-heritage Jewish family, join us to explore the many layers of this formative relationship through lectures, personal narrative, and workshops. Register at www.bj.org/grandparents.

WHAT'S NEXT *continued from panel 4*

● "In the Mirror" Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Roly Matalon

Thursdays, November 30; December 7, 14, 21; January 11, 18, 25; February 1, 8, 15, 22; March 1, 8, 15, 12:30-1:30PM, location provided upon registration: Reading stories about the lives of the Talmudic rabbis, we uncover layers of ourselves and become better equipped to wrestle with our human nature. Bring your lunch; BJ members only. Please email btarson@bj.org to be added to the wait list.



● Faith & Public Life Lecture Series: What Can New York Jewish History Teach Us About Faith in Public Life?

Thursday, November 30, 7:00PM, BJ Sanctuary: Register now for the second in our Faith & Public Life Lecture Series, with Dr. Deborah Dash Moore. More information and registration at www.bj.org/faithlecture.

● Community Potluck with Director of HIAS Israel

Friday, December 1, following Kabbalat Shabbat services, BJ Community House 3rd Floor: Join us in celebrating Shabbat at this special community potluck, featuring an intimate conversation with HIAS Israel Director Sivan Carmel, where she will speak about HIAS' work with asylum seekers. More information and registration at www.bj.org/potluck.

● Day Trip: National Museum of American Jewish History

Sunday, December 3, 8:00AM-6:00PM, Philadelphia: Join us for a trip to Philadelphia's National Museum of American Jewish History. Registration at www.bj.org/philadelphia.

● Palliative Care: The Spiritual, the Pastoral, and the Practical

Wednesday, December 6, 6:30PM, BJ Sanctuary: Learn about how we care for those experiencing the discomfort, symptoms, and stress of serious illness. R.S.V.P. at www.bj.org/palliativecare.

● Caregivers Support Groups

First Thursdays (December 7, January 4, February 1), 4:15PM, BJ Community House 4th Floor Conference Room; **Second Thursdays (December 14, January 11, February 8)**, 9:00AM, 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. Choose either the morning or afternoon sessions. Registration required. More info at www.bj.org/caregivergroups.

TORAH PORTION

HAYEI SARAH

Torah: Annual	Genesis 21:1 - 15:18
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

Torah: Annual	Genesis 25:19 - 28:9
Triennial	Genesis 6:23 - 27:27
Haftarah	I Samuel 20:18 - 20:42

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**.

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