Shabbat Shalom!

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Our Mission is "To ensure the flourishing of Jewish life through educational, social and Conservative religious experiences in a warm and dynamic community."



Parshat Ekev עֶקֶבּ August 7/8, 2020 - 18 Av 5780



	Etz Hayim	<u>Verse</u>
Rishon	1037	Deut. 7:12 - 7:16
Sheni	1038	7:17 - 7:21
Shlishi	1038	7:22 - 7:26
Revi'i	1039	8:1 - 8:3
Chamishi	1040	8:4 - 8:10
Shishi	1041	8:11 - 8:18
Shevi'i	1042	8:19 - 9:3
Maftir	1042	9:1 - 9:3
Haftarah	1056	Isaiah 49:14 - 51:3
March 1977		



Thank you to our Torah readers: Ari Ross, Jean Lettofsky, Ivan Platt, Jody Katzner, Madison Jackson, Ruth Dobres, Marsha Aronovich and Jonah Ross. Thank you to Jonah Ross for chanting the Haftorah.



Rabbi Stephen Weiss, Senior Rabbi
Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria
Cantor Aaron Shifman
Education Engagement Rabbi Josh Foster
Rabbi Emeritus Stanley J. Schachter
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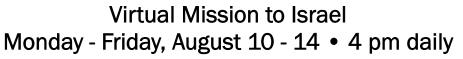
Pour presence adds to the joy of our service!

Thank you to Jonah Ross for leading the Friday evening service.

Thank you to Amanda Banchek for leading Shaharit and Jody Katzner for leading Musaf.

Mazal tov to everyone who is celebrating a birthday this month!







Visit Tel Dan, Haifa, Jaffa, Masada and, of course, Jerusalem with licensed Israeli tour guide Rotem Hemed Shahar! Each day will bring highlights of these special places via interactive Zoom sessions. Invite as many people as you are comfortable having in your home to enjoy your Zoom square with you.

Only \$18/square for all five days. Each session will last about an hour, with time for a Q&A at the end of each. View the itinerary, read Rotem's bio and register at https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/virtualisrael#.

This program is made possible through the generosity of the Dobres-Berkowitz Israel Programming Fund.



You've got to Move it...Move it!

Get sponsors for our Synagogue Move-A-Thon
to help BJC Stay Strong!

Sunday, August 9 • 10 am

- Pick any 1-hour timeslot on Sunday, August 9 –
 This will be your personal "Move-it" Hour.
- Pick an activity: walk, run, bike, dance, swim,

garden, vacuum, yoga, watch your grandchild, watch your grandparent -- your choice.

- Get sponsors for your activity to help defray BJC technology costs incurred due to COVID-19 – Ask your sponsors to donate on our website at https://bit.ly/3j3Jahs or mail their donation directly to the synagogue and include their name and who they are sponsoring with their donation.
- Send pictures of your activity to lornasiegal@bnaijeshurun.org. Include your name and activity.
- Zoom in THIS Sunday, August 9th at 10 am to share-out and brag about what you already accomplished or what you intend to do. Zoom in at https://zoom.us/i/98681083476, Meeting ID: 986 8108 3476.

Colliding Dreams: A Virtual Interview with Joseph Dorman and Oren Rudavsky, the Film's Directors THIS Sunday, August 9 • 7 pm



View this feature length documentary at your convenience and then join us for an earnest discussion on one of today's most explosive issues – the question of Zionism and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. View the trailer:

http://collidingdreamsthemovie.com/sponsors/. View the film at https://com/sponsors/. Zoom in Sunday at https://zoom.us/.

j/95311085582, Meeting ID: 953 1108 5582.

The film is a searching and dramatic exploration of the dream of a Jewish state and its impact on both Jews and Arabs, unfolding across the broad canvas of 150 years of history from 19th century Europe to the modern Middle East. Told through the remarkable lives and voices of Jews and Palestinians living in the Middle East today, *Colliding Dreams* weaves together past and present, ideas and passions, wars and peace talks, brilliant minds with the voices of ordinary citizens to develop a film portrait of sensitivity and depth like none before of the story of Zionism and its controversies.

Joseph Dorman is the brother of our member, Rebekah Dorman. This program is made possible through the generosity of the Dobres-Berkowitz Israel Programming Fund.

Elul Learning Beginning August 24

In addition to our regular Free Jewish Virtual Learning for Adults classes, join us for these intellectually-stimulating lectures.

Maimonides on Repentance with Rabbi Peter Haas - Mondays at 7 pm https://zoom.us/j/96324414017, Meeting ID: 963 2441 4017

Dive into the Mahzor with Rabbi Alan Lettofsky - Wednesdays at 7 pm What's new and different about *Mahzor Lev Shalem*. https://zoom.us/j/98700063464, Meeting ID: 987 0006 3464

High Holidays Prep with Elise Braverman-Plotkin - Thursdays at 8 pm https://zoom.us/j/97327687545, Meeting ID: 973 2768 7545

Men's Club Happy Hour Tuesdays • 5 pm

Open to everyone. We're looking forward to seeing you! Zoom in at https://zoom.us/j/98877472739 or call in at 929-205-6099, Meeting ID 988 7747 2739. If you're interested in leading a discussion or have ideas for a future topic, contact Mitch Lauer (mitchell.lauer@gmail.com).



August 11: Happy Hour will be cancelled to accommodate the Virtual Israel program. August 18: Jewish Big Brothers and Jewish Big Sisters. Join us for a stimulating presentation and open table conversation about the impact of this organisation on young Jewish lives in our community. Jewish Big Brother and B'nai Jeshurun member Alan Lipp, his "Little" and social worker Jill Sadowski will discuss the many activities conducted by the organisation, the visible progress of the "Littles" and the real value of this program.

Sisterhood Book Discussion 3rd Wednesday each month • 7:30 pm

All are invited to participate by Zoom at https://zoom.us/j/91870271592, Meeting ID: 91870271592.

August 19: Naamah by Sarah Blake

Rosh Hashanah Card Coloring Contest

Calling all youth! Do you have what it takes to design the 5871 B'nai Jeshurun Shana Tova card? All children under the age of 12 can enter! The deadline to enter is August 14. You can include Jewish symbols, a wish for the New Year or anything that makes you think about all of the fall Jewish holidays. Use your own creativity; the ideas and



options are endless! The winner will have their design printed on our card that every member will receive. Here's what you need to know:

- Create your design using a plain white sheet of paper 8.5" w x 11" h
- · Use crayons or markers or anything that shows up bold and bright
- Take a picture of your finished design and email it to: Shani Kadis shanisez6@gmail.com in PDF, JPG or PNG format
- Please include your child's name and age

Bridging the Gap in Isolation with Rabbi Shalom Plotkin Wednesday, August 26 • 2 pm

Join us to learn techniques to help prevent our seniors who are practicing social distancing from falling prey to the effects of isolation. There are several ways family members, friends, congregants and home care professionals can help their loved ones, community members and clients cope during this stressful time. Zoom in at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5548150790, Meeting ID: 554 815 0790

(there is no password).

COOKING

Holiday Cooking with Murray Thursdays, August 27 – September 10 • 7 pm

Murray will delight us with his holiday recipes. Links coming soon; find recipes to past sessions at https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/cooking-with-murray#
Zoom in at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86468670994,

Meeting ID: 864686 70994.

Virtual Youth Service THIS Shabbat, August 8 • 11:00 am

Be sure to join Rabbi Josh for our youth service. Zoom in at https://zoom.us/s/486237183, Meeting ID# 486 237 183.

Future date: August 22.

Interested in some good reading from our library?

Give our librarian, Dr. Rafi Simon, a call at 216.337.6490 during the day or early evening. He'll be glad to help you select some books to borrow. Books can be dropped off with contactless delivery at your door or you can come to the synagogue to pick them up. Rafi's car has become our improvised 'Book Mobile'. There are two bins of books in the car trunk from which you can select. Just call Rafi and arrange a time

trunk from which you can select. Just call Rafi and arrange a time for him to drive by your residence with our 'Book Mobile'. Rafi will be glad to stop by and open the trunk so you can browse through some good books to read!

Free Jewish Virtual Learning for Adults

We are just a click or a phone call away! Stay connected with BJC! Zoom in via computer or phone at (929) 205-6099; the Meeting ID is the number at the end of each link. We are also utilizing our live streaming capabilities, Facebook



and other available technologies. Please check our website frequently for updates. We look forward to 'seeing' you in class! These classes are made possible through the generosity of the Weingold Family. All classes except Susan Wyner's Bible Study and Starbucks, Bread & Torah will be on break the week of August 17.

What's NU? with Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria - Mondays at 10 am Topical text study and discussion on the most relevant Jewish topics of the day. https://zoom.us/j/97066069527. Starting August 24, we will focus on Elul Work!

Parshat HaShavua with Prof. Doron Kalir, CSU - Mondays at noon Discuss the weekly Torah portion from a liberal viewpoint. In particular, we will examine implications of the text for today's community and the meaning of *emunah* (faith) in the 21st century. https://zoom.us/j/213131426.

Neffesh Ha-Chayyim – The Mystical Secrets of God, Life, the Universe and Everything with Rabbi Stephen Weiss - Mondays at 8 pm (no class 8/24) Exploring Jewish beliefs and practice through Kabbalah. https://zoom.us/j/95702368445. Starting August 31, we will focus on Kabbalistic Secrets of Prayer and Repentenance.

Bible Study with Susan Wyner - Tuesdays at 10:30 am Join in for a close reading of the Torah as we make our way through our most central text. We are currently studying the book of Deuteronomy. https://zoom.us/j/864643841 or call (253) 215-8782.

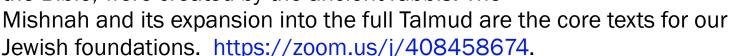
The Riches of Jewish Text with Rabbi Josh Foster - Tuesdays at 4 pm We will explore key passages, discussions and stories in the Talmud and the corpus of Jewish literature. https://zoom.us/j/98382451776, Meeting ID: 983 8245 1776.

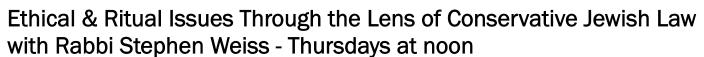
The How & Why of Jewish Rituals with Cantor Aaron Shifman Tuesdays at 6:15 pm (class resumes August 18 focusing on the hagim) We will discuss kaddish, mikvah, tallit and tzizit, brit milah, Shabbat and havdallah and more using Medrashim and Talmudic resources. https://zoom.us/j/524068297.

Free Jewish Virtual Learning for Adults (continued)

Mishnah: The New Scripture with Rabbi Alan Lettofsky Wednesdays at 10:30 am

Most Jewish institutions and values, while based on the Bible, were created by the ancient rabbis. The





Through the study of *responsa* (Jewish law papers) from the Law Committee of the Rabbinical Assembly, we will explore what Jewish tradition has to say about the most pressing and significant issues of our day. Class is always lively, filled with text study and discussion. https://zoom.us/j/388326341. Meeting ID# 388326341.

Starbucks Bread & Torah with rotating teachers - Saturdays at 9 am Gain fresh insights into the Torah, and study with great teachers! https://zoom.us/j/979212512, Meeting ID# 979212512.

Kid's Cooking Club Wednesday, August 12 • 11 am

This program is geared for children ages 7 & up. Zoom in at https://zoom.us/j/98950474129, Meeting ID: 989 5047 4129.



The Sukert Family - Hot Bagels & Creamy No Churn Ice Cream. Find the recipes here: https://images.shulcloud.com/13617/uploads/Wendy/Icecreamrecipe.pdf.

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ATID Zoom, Sip & Paint Sunday, August 23 • 4 pm

Prepare for the New Year by painting with Denyse from "Artist at Heart Paint Party," sip on wine and schmooze! Everyone will receive all the materials they need for the event from the canvas, paint, brushes and even the wine!

This program is FREE thanks to the support in part by a Jewish Federation of Cleveland Young Leadership Division Microgrant; \$5 optional delivery fee. RSVP by August 18 to https://cutt.ly/sip-n-paint. Zoom information will be provided once you register. Contact Shani Kadis to learn more. ATID is open to all Jewish young adults in their 20s & 30s.

MISHABERAH RIFKAH BAT BASYA JAYDEN BARBER SHALOM MENASHE BEN NECHA FRUMA BAT JANETTE YAKOV BEN HANA SORA MATANA DVORAH BAT SARAH ZEV YITZCHAK BEN RISYA DINA RIVKA BAT LEAH MEIR FEIVEL BEN SARAH DEVORAH GITTEL CHANA BAT ESTHER BLUMA ZISSEL BAT RACHEL MASHA TSIRIL BAT BASHA HASKEL TZVI BEN MALKA YAKOV BEN MIRIAM MARIE BAT MARIE RONI BEN RACHEL TZIVIA AVIVA BAT MINDEL HANA TOVA BAT SARAH GITTEL MINDEL HANNA BAT RACHEL AVRUM REUVAIN BEN NAOMI WAYNE EHRMAN YAKOV BEN SARA CHAYA RAZEL BAT LEAH DANIEL BEN LEAH CHAIM BEN PNINA ZELDA BRACHA BAT MINA **GERSHON BEN HANA** ZALMAN SHMUEL DOV BEN CHANAH BAT SARAH **RUVENA SHIFRA** HANOCH YITZHAK BEN SARA MESHELEM BEN RACHEL ADAM DEAL AVRAHAM BEN SARAH MASHA BAT PESHKE EZRA SHAMIR BEN SIMCHA HAYA DEVORA HANA BAT SORA BLUMA SURA TOBA BAT JOSEF ZWI EPHRAIM CHAYIM BEN ITA CHANA RACHEL LEAH BAT DEVORAH AVRAHAM BEN SHOSHANAH REUVEN BEN ADELINE REUVEN BEN HELAYNE MALKA BAT RAISA AVRAHAM SHMUEL BEN ZENDEL MORT YUSSEL BEN RIVKA LAZER BEN MATILDA AVRAM DAVID BEN DINAH LEAH BAT RUCHEL BEN-TZION PESACH BEN YECHIEL YITZHAK BEN FEIGEL SHAINDEL CHAYAH YAKOV BEN AIDA SHANDEL BRACHA BAT ESTHER DAVE PERKINS MASAHIRO UENO YAAKOV SIMCHA BEN CHANAH ROCHEL HADAR MIRIAM BAT ESTHER YISROAEL BEN GITTLE MICHAL VERED TOVA BAT SARAH GILA BENSION BEN ROCHEL SARAH GILA BAT LEAH SANDY MURRY PINHAS SIMCHA BEN PNINA REUVEN LEIB HAKOHEN BEN ADIN RONEN BEN SARAH GILA **ESTHER MIRIEL** HAYA TZIPPORAH BAT ITTA FAYGIE ELKE BAT RUCHEL MASHA BAT HEINCHA MALKA LEBA BAT MINDEL SURA PEREL SARAH BAT DVORAH HARAV SHIMON YEHOSHUA BEN SARAH MALKA BAT BATYA MIRIAM ESTHER BAT MALKA LEBA MORDECHAI DOVID BEN LEAH RIVKA YETTA BAT ZELDA MIMI DORF JONATHAN BEN RUCHEL LEAH SHAINA LIEBE BAT CHAVA MIRYAM ESTHER BAT LEAH ESTHER BAT SARAH YA'CHET ZLATE FEIGA BAT CHAYA FISHEL MENDEL BEN FRAIDEL YENTEL SURAH BAT MARIAM PESSEL RAPHAEL BEN MASHA GOLDA SHLOMO DAVID BEN LAYA MARY ELIZABETH GREENE HANAN DAVID BEN RACHEL HAYA SORA BAT LEAH YISRAEL BEEN MINDEL ITTA BAT ESTHER AYALA RACHEL BAT SHIFRA DAVID SHIMON BEN RENAH SOPHIE LEAH BAT KEREN SARAH BAT ROIZA SHEVA BAT EDYAH ARIELLA CHANA BAT SARAH DEVORAH LEAH BAT ESTHER

BELA LEAH BAT RUTH

SHLIMAH BAT ESTER

HARAV YITZHAK MICHAEL BEN DINA

AARON ELI BEN TOIBA LEAH

PESSELA MIRIAM BAT YUSSEL AVRAHAM
ROYSA CHANA BAT SHAYNDEL
PENINA ZELDA BAT
MENACHEM HANANYAH
MORDECHAI BEN SHOSHANA
HANAN BEN TEMA MALKA
REUVEN ZELIG BEN HESHA
RACHEL LEAH BAT FLORENCE
YAEL BAT RIVKA
ELISHEVA GILAH BAT ATARA
YEHUDIT BAT MOSHE
SHIMSHON AHARON BEN RIVKA
YITTA HINDA BAT NAOMI
SHANDEL SURAH BAT SHIFRA

May He who blessed our ancestors and is the source of all healing bless and heal those who are ill. May the Holy One Praised Be He mercifully restore them to vigor and lift the burden of anxiety from their loved ones and friends.

On this (Sabbath, Festival, Judgment or Penitence) day we pray that they be spared further pain. May God grant them health of body and health of spirit and mind. May we speedily be privileged to greet their return to good health by welcoming them once again into our midst. Let us say: Amen.

Anyone wanting to add a name to the list should contact Diane Dronzek (216-831-6555 ext. 104 or dianedronzek@bnaijeshurun.org) by Thursday afternoon at the latest for inclusion in that Shabbat's program. We will also pause during the prayer for people to recite additional names. from their seats.



Drive-In Shabbat Rocks!
Friday, August 21 • 7 pm
We will also live stream and Zoom the service.

Clap your hands and stomp your feet as you dance to the music at BJC's Drive-Up Shabbat Rocks! at a safe distance. Virtual options will still be available through streaming and Zooming! Registration is

required - Spaces are limited:

https://august shabbat rocks.eventbrite.com

Everyone will be able to enjoy the tunes from the comfort of their own car in the back parking lot. Shabbat Rocks! will include a 45 minute musical service followed by our acapella evening service. For those who are mourning, Kaddish will be recited in both services. Bring your own kippah, we will provide the prayer book or download it at: https://images.shulcloud.com/13617/uploads/Shabbat/shabbatrockssiddur.pdf. Bring your own chairs if you'd like to sit outside next to your car in the parking lot.

In case of inclement weather, Shabbat Rocks! will be available only by Zoom and stream. Check our website for weather updates. Zoom in at https://zoom.us/j/843828395. Meeting ID: #843 828 395. Live stream at https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/streaming

Listen to and download tracks: https://8tracks.com/ravsteve/shabbat-rocks-b-nai-jeshurun-1.

This season has been generously underwritten by The Jan & Ron Moskowitz Family, Phyllis & Sidney Reisman and Jocelyn & Peter Saltz.

What's Coming Up

Saturday, August 8

9:00 am Service

11:00 am Youth Service

Sunday, August 9

10:00 am Move-a-Thon

7:00 pm Colliding Dreams Virtual Directors' Talk

Monday, August 10

10:00 am What's NU? with Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria

12:00 pm Parshat HaShavua with Doron Kalir

4:00 pm Virtual Mission to Israel

8:00 pm Neffesh Ha-Chayyim with Rabbi Stephen Weiss

Tuesday, August 11

10:30 am Bible Study with Susan Wyner

4:00 pm Virtual Mission to Israel

Wednesday, August 12

10:30 am Mishnah: The New Scripture with Rabbi Alan Lettofsky

11:00 am Kids' Cooking Club

4:00 pm Virtual Mission to Israel

Thursday, August 13

4:00 pm Virtual Mission to Israel

Friday, August 14

10:30 am Kinder Shabbat

4:00 pm Virtual Mission to Israel

7:00 pm Service

Saturday, August 15

9:00 am Service

Tuesday, August 18

10:30 am Bible Study with Susan Wyner

4:00 pm Riches of Jewish Text with Rabbi Josh Foster

5:00 pm Men's Club Happy Hour

6:15 pm How & Why of Jewish Ritual with Cantor Aaron Shifman

Wednesday, August 19

7:30 pm Sisterhood Book Discussion

Thursday, August 20 - Rosh Hodesh Elul

8:30 pm Men's Club Drive-In Movie Night showing The Frisco Kid

ALL prayer services are available by live stream and Zoom. For live stream, visit https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/streaming and click on the appropriate box. Friday night and Saturday morning and afternoon will appear in the window for the David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary. All other services will appear in the window for Nickman Chapel.

For Zoom, call in at (929) 205-6099 and reference the Meeting ID# below, or use these links for video:

Friday evening: https://cutt.ly/BJC-Shabbat-and-Festivals-6pm

Meeting ID #843828395

Shabbat morning: https://cutt.ly/bjcShabbatAndFestivals9am

Meeting ID # 750690071

Shabbat afternoon: https://cutt.ly/Saturday-Festival-Day-6-pm

Meeting ID # 932 5191 4283

Sunday morning minyan: https://cutt.ly/bjcSundayMorningMinyan8am

Meeting ID #298 657 543

Weekday morning minyan: https://cutt.ly/bjcMorningMinyanM-F715am

Meeting ID #413 413 630

Afternoon minyan: https://cutt.ly/bjcWeekdayAfternoonMinyan6pm

Meeting ID #200 230 834

Service Schedule: Mondays - Thursday: 7:15 am, 6:00 pm

Fridays: 7:15 am, 7:00 pm Saturdays: 9:00 am, 6:00 pm Sundays: 8:00 am, 6:00 pm

PDF copies of the prayer book are now available on our website! We use the Sim Shalom prayer book for weekdays and Saturday afternoon and the Lev Shalem prayer book for Friday night and Shabbat Morning. The weekly Haftorah is also available. Visit https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/pray-with-us-shabbat.

The minyan will always have a minimum of ten participating by stream. Rabbi Weiss has ruled, based on rabbinic and *halakhic* sources, that – on a temporary, emergency basis, and not as a permanent change – a minyan may be comprised of ten Jews at different locations linked over the internet. Therefore, the services will still include those parts that require a minyan and will fulfill that obligation. This includes the mourner's kaddish.

Kosher Food Pantry

The Kosher Food Pantry is open and Wednesday afternoon pick-ups are available for those in need. The pantry is located at 1980 South Green Road. Text 845-558-1529 in advance with your name and they will have a box ready for you. Please share this message!



Condolences to:

Lorin Gottlieb, Robyn Brenner & families on the death of their uncle and great-uncle, Allen Katz

Yahrzeits: August 8 - 14, 2020

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