

Welcome to B'nai Jeshurun

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Parashat Vaera וַאֲרָא

January 20/21, 2023 - 28 Tevet 5783

This Shabbat, we read the blessing for the new month of Shevat, which begins on Monday.

	<u>Etz Hayim</u>	<u>Verse</u>
Rishon	351	Ex. 6:2—6:5
Sheni	352	6:6—6:9
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Thank you to our Torah readers: Shani Kadis, Leonard Steiger, Danielle Shaper, Ariel Douglass, Richard Martin, Alex Harris and Michael Milgrom. Thank you to Michael Milgrom for chanting the Haftarah.

Thank You!

Thank you to our ushers and greeters: David Cohen, Maury Greenstein, Harriet Rosenberg Mann and Dan Umansky; Zoom moderators: Eric Schechtman and Shani Kadis; Board member on the bima Wendy Dahar; and oneg/kiddush team: Rafi Simon, Ron Fersky, Cheri Spira, Rachel Kugelman, Lois Novikoff, Judy Friedman, Sousan Aminfard, Harlan Meinwald, Lauren Freiman & Family, Nancy Tresser Lipko and Spencer Kadis.

Service Schedule:

Mondays - Fridays: 7:15 am, 6:00 pm

Saturdays: 9:00 am, 6:00 pm

Sundays & Holidays: 8:00 am, 6:00 pm

Soul Tide Shabbat

Musician-in-Residence Weekend
featuring Rabbi Josh Warshawsky
Free & Open to the Community



Friday, January 20

6:00 pm Musical Shabbat Service

6:45 pm Traditional Shabbat Dinner followed by Kumsitz (“campfire” singing) - come in your camp swag! (Registration is now closed.)

Saturday, January 21

9:00 am Shabbat Morning Services - Embark on a spiritual journey as Rabbi Warshawsky infuses new meaning and melodies into our Shabbat service.

10:30 am Shabbat B'Yachad Family Service & Activities

6:15 pm Soul Tide for Tots & Young Families - Join us for a special mini concert. We will also do a craft and have a delicious dessert. At 7pm, the children will help lead Havdalah, followed by the concert. Walk-ins welcome!

7:00 pm Congregational Havdalah & Concert featuring Rabbi Josh Warshawsky, Cantor Alyssa Rosenbaum & the B’nai Jeshurun Band. Dessert reception following performance.

8:30 pm Following the Havdalah Concert, Middle Schoolers (grades 6-8) are invited to join us for an afterparty in our newly renovated Youth Lounge! Enjoy mocktails as we keep the party going for an extra 45 minutes!

Learn more at <https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/event/soul-tide-shabbat>.

B’nai Jeshurun Congregation gratefully acknowledges the Retreat Institute (RI) and Congregational Enrichment Funds (CEF) of the Jewish Education Center of Cleveland (JECC) for financial and programmatic assistance. The JECC’s RI and CEF are supported by the Fund for the Jewish Future of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland.

Mazel Tov!

Mazel tov to all our couples who are celebrating anniversaries this month!



Chesed Make & Take Blankets

Pick up your “Blanket Kits” (up to two per family) and drop them off in the bin in our Gross Atrium by the end of the month. They will be donated to various organizations in the community. Contact Shani Kadis to arrange.

Upcoming Events



Thursday Monthly Series: Spotlight Educator

Thursdays, thru January 26 • 7:30 pm • Zoom only
Rabbi Noah Bickart will teach on the topic of Jewish Messianism(s): A Jewish Approach to Christian Scripture.



Thursdays, February 2 - 23 • 7:30 pm • Zoom only
Rabbi Bec Richman will teach An Introduction to the Jewish Studio Process. Explore ancient Jewish wisdom through our inherent creativity, using a methodology that combines learning and a facilitated creative process. This session is for everyone. Have a notebook, writing implement and any on-hand art supplies (like watercolors, crayons or colored pencils) handy.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82247940770>



Guest Speaker Oded Rahav

Saturday, January 28 • After Kiddush

Oded is the Dead Sea Guardian - the only person on the planet who has taken it upon himself to save this Sea. An entrepreneur, Oded has founded, managed, and led businesses in a wide range of fields. He is a relentless environmental activist, and change generator.



Sisterhood Lunch & Learn

Tu B'Shevat Seder & Celebration of Nature

Tuesday, January 31 • noon

Learn about Tu B'Shevat's connection to the natural world. Enjoy a special Seder honoring the "New Year of the Trees" with foods and wine specific to Israel. We will also plant herb seeds in take-home pots and create "Green Chocolate Pretzel Tree" treats. \$10/person at the door; RSVP by January 27 to Robin Rood (440-666-7658 or rroodrd@gmail.com).

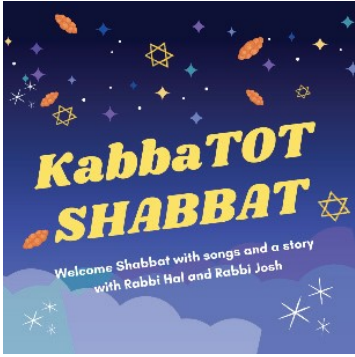


Men's Club Happy Hour

Wednesday, February 1 • 6:30 pm

Schmooze at the Shul! Bring a story, a joke or just bring yourself. Share some laughs, camaraderie and fun while enjoying a deli tray and soft drinks! A Men's Club meeting will follow at 7:30 pm. Questions? Contact Joel Herman (zmanjoel51@gmail.com). Our Happy Hours are now hybrid – in person and on Zoom (new link): <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83970259184>

Upcoming Events



KabbaTOT Shabbat

Friday, February 3 • 5:15 pm

Let's welcome Shabbat together with a craft, songs, a story and fun with Rabbi Hal and Rabbi Josh. Kids are encouraged to wear pajamas (adults, too, if they would like)! Every family will receive a take home Shabbat bag with yummy treats. Register at <https://cutt.ly/KabbaTOT>.



Wine & Fruits of Israel for Tu B'Shevat

Saturday, February 4 • 7 pm • BarNone Wine Café

We will pair Israeli wines and fruits together as we celebrate Tu B'Shevat. The evening will include Havdalah, music, wine, fruit and schmoozing. Cantor Rosenbaum will lead us in Havdalah and we will learn a little about each wine as we celebrate the holiday of Tu B'Shevat. Space is limited. \$18/BJC member; \$30/guest. Ages 21+ only. Register at <http://bit.ly/3IGbJAJ> or scan the QR code. This is an Israel at 75 event.



23rd Annual Sheila Radman Balk Cholent Cookoff & Men's Club Shabbat

Saturday, February 11 • noon (following services)

Enjoy superbly cooked cholents by our talented chefs/teams who will prepare a wide range of cholents from traditional to vegetarian and vegan, European, Mizrachi and fusion. It is a taste experience unlike any other. This event can be enjoyed in several ways: eat and vote to decide prize winners, lead/participate in a team preparing one of the cholents and/or volunteer to help serve or prep. Cholent entrants follow their own recipes; we provide your ingredients. Team up with family or friends!

If you are interested in preparing a cholent, would like to volunteer during the prep days, and/or volunteer the day of the event, contact Richard Berkowitz or Mitch Lauer at the new Men's Club email, BJCMensClub@Bnaijeshurun.org. **FREE** this year! Register at bit.ly/3BLGvUA or scan the QR code.

If you would like a part in the service, contact David Cohen at BJCmensclub@bnaijeshurun.org.



BJC Learning Institute

These classes are brought to you through the generosity of the Fersky Fund for Adult Learning, Rabbi Michael and Sheila Hecht Limmud Fund and Nelson Pole & Betsy Greene.

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/91220079234>

Staying Fit with Linda Schoenberg - Mondays at 11 am

Join certified Silver Sneakers instructor Linda Schoenberg for her 60-minute total body work out for seniors. Please have a sturdy chair, light weights and a squishy ball handy. Sponsored by Na'amat USA.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85880852411>

Bible Study with Susan Wyner - Tuesdays at 10:30 am

Join in for a close reading of the Bible as we make our way through our most central text. We are currently studying The Book of Judges.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88663421663>

Mishnah: The Best Book You've Never Read with Rabbi Alan Lettofsky

Thursdays at 10:30 am - **This class is on hiatus until further notice**

Talmud: Disputes for the Sake of Heaven with Rabbi Jeremy Markiz

Thursdays at noon

Talmud is one of the foundational sources of Judaism. By unpacking the discussions of the rabbis, we can uncover powerful wisdom to guide and inspire us. Join in on this journey as we closely read the text, learn how the Talmud works, and make it relevant for our lives today.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87277103560>

Torah Café (previously Starbucks Bread & Torah) - IN PERSON & VIRTUAL

Saturdays at 9 am

Gain fresh insights into the Torah and study with great teachers!

Rabbi Josh Warshawsky teaches this week.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83603008490>

Sponsor the Kiddush

Are you thinking of a beautiful way to share the happiness of a milestone or remember a loved one? Consider sponsoring the oneg or kiddush. Full and partial sponsorships are available and they are tax deductible. Please contact Joscelyn Harris to arrange or for more information.

What's Coming Up

Friday, January 20

10:30 am Kinder Shabbat

6:00 pm Service; Josh Warshawsky Musician-in-Residence;
Anniversary Shabbat

6:45 pm Campfire Shabbat Dinner (by prior reservation only)

Saturday, January 21

9:00 am Service; Josh Warshawsky Musician-in-Residence

9:00 am Torah Café with Rabbi Josh Warshawsky

10:30 am Shabbat B'Yachad

6:15 pm Soul Tide for Tots

7:00 pm Soul Tide Havdalah Concert

Sunday, January 22

11:30 am Sisterhood Program

Monday, January 23 - Rosh Hodesh Shevat

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

11:00 am Staying Fit with Linda Schoenberg

6:30 pm Makom: The Place for Teens

Tuesday, January 24

10:30 am Bible Study with Susan Wyner

Thursday, January 26

12:00 pm Talmud class with Rabbi Jeremy Markiz

1:30 pm Yiddish Club

7:30 pm Spotlight Educator Series with Rabbi Noah Bickart

Friday, January 27

10:30 am Kinder Shabbat

6:00 pm Service

Saturday, January 28

9:00 am Service

9:00 am Torah Café with Sylvia Abrams

Monday, January 30

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

11:00 am Staying Fit with Linda Schoenberg

6:30 pm Makom: The Place for Teens

Tuesday, January 31

10:30 am Bible Study with Susan Wyner

12:00 pm Sisterhood Lunch & Learn

Condolences to

The family of Donna Weiskopf

Yahrzeits: January 21–27, 2023

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Sheldon E. Auerbach
Herbert Becker
Florence Bendel
Molly Finger Berlin
Ben Berman
Barbara Ann Bluestone
Helen Brodsky
Selma Brown
Bertha Caminer
Benton Cohen
Frank Covitt
Fannie Crutch
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