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See page 8 for the Pesach schedule of services.

From the Rabbi



"The stirring in our hearts when watching the star-studded sky is something no language can declare." Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, *Man is Not Alone*

"We can never sneer at the stars, mock the dawn or scoff at the totality of being. Sublime grandeur evokes unhesitating, unflinching awe...standing between earth and sky, we are silenced by the sight...Awe is an intuition for the dignity of all things... It enables us to receive in the world intimations of the divine." Heschel, *I Asked for Wonder*

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel taught us the importance of living with wonder, seeking radical amazement and experiencing G-d's work in our world through observing nature. This month, we will hopefully be blessed with a clear day on April 8th to experience the grandeur of the solar eclipse. Even though here in Cleveland we may be immersed in darkness, we know that the sun's light is still there just obscured by the moon. Reminding us that even on the darkest of days, the light still shines and will return to brighten our days.

Is there a *bracha* (blessing) to recite when we see the solar eclipse? Rabbi Joshua Heller discusses this question in the Rabbinical Assembly's CJLS *Teshuva*: "Our tradition suggests that we see each life experience as an opportunity to connect to the Divine...The ninth chapter of tractate Berachot, in the Mishnah and Talmud, enumerates the text of many blessings to be said specifically upon encountering remarkable natural or human phenomena...A solar eclipse, when our view of the sun is blocked by the moon, is certainly a unique natural event which causes us to ponder our place in the universe."

The Talmud prescribes two different blessings to be recited which evoke an awareness of the power of G-d in nature. Upon witnessing mountains, rivers and deserts, one blesses G-d " ...

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Candle Lighting

April 5	7:38 pm
April 12	7:46 pm
April 19	7:54 pm
April 22	7:57 pm
April 23	after 8:58 pm
April 26	8:01 pm
April 28	8:03 pm
April 29	after 9:04 pm

Torah Portions

April 6	Shemini/Shabbat HaHodesh
April 13	Tazria
April 20	Metzora/Shabbat HaGadol
April 27	Chol Hamoed Pesach

Daily Service Schedule

Live stream our services at
www.bnaijeshurun.org/streaming or Zoom
 in via phone at (929) 205-6099 or computer at:

Sunday mornings:
<https://zoom.us/j/91694216788>

Weekday mornings:
<https://zoom.us/j/96705935055>

Weekday afternoons:
<https://zoom.us/j/99872995020>

Friday evening service:
<https://zoom.us/j/99713360726>

Shabbat morning & Holidays services:
<https://zoom.us/j/93333898986>

Shabbat afternoon services:
<https://zoom.us/j/97870881168>

Service Times:

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

Saturdays: 9:00 am, 6:00 pm

Sundays: 8:00 am, 6:00 pm

Morning minyan on Sunday, April 7 will start at 7 am so that we can participate in *Ratzim Bishvilam* (Running for Them) the community walk/run marking the 6-month anniversary of October 7th. Join us and register at <https://cutt.ly/Ow9S4HJa>.

See page 8 for the Pesach schedule of services.

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President's Message



For thousands of years until the advent of modern technology, mariners and scientists used instruments called astrolabes to chart the sky and navigate the seas. Resembling giant pocket watches, these tools enabled users

to determine time, distances, heights and latitudes and were essential for many aspects of ancient and medieval life.

Recently, a University of Cambridge historian uncovered an astrolabe dating back to the 11th century deep in the archives of a library in Verona, Italy. Close inspection uncovered Western numerals as well as inscriptions in both Arabic and Hebrew all dating from different periods – physical evidence of scientific exchange among the three Abrahamic faiths over time. By analyzing the astrolabe's design, construction and calligraphy, the Cambridge professor determined it was made in Southern Spain in the 1000's – a period when Muslims, Jews and Christians all worked alongside each other, particularly in the pursuit of scientific knowledge. The original Arabic inscriptions were later translated into Hebrew on the device, suggesting the device had circulated among the Sephardi Jewish community in Italy, where Hebrew was the primary tongue.

Why do I share this Indiana Jones-type story? Because the history of this device reminds us that our present does not have to be our future. For hundreds of years, Jews and Muslims lived and worked together in shared communities in Spain, Morocco and the Near East in peace and harmony. In these difficult times, the story of the astrolabe gives me optimism to think that perhaps the past will be prologue, and we will live to see cooperation and co-existence between our respective communities and faiths once again.

Scott Matasar

158th Annual Meeting Tuesday, May 7 • 7 pm

Due to the community Yom HaShoah event being held at B'nai Jeshurun this year on Sunday, May 5, we have moved the Annual Meeting to Tuesday. Voting for the annual meeting will still be held on Sunday, May 5 from 10:00 am - noon. We look forward to seeing everyone at the annual meeting and will be announcing our volunteers of the year in the near future.

From the Rabbi



Season of Deliverance

This season of our deliverance, Rabbi Alex and I took it literally. God-willing, you're reading this as we're about to enter parenthood. But Pesach has always been *Chag Ha-Aviv* - the holiday of Spring, rebirth and new growth. Commentators also understand the splitting of the Red Sea as a sort of crossing of the birth canal. Out of the birthing pangs of Egypt is born a free people, the Children of Israel, united by a shared purpose and collective journey toward the Promised Land.

This year has been a sort of Egypt for all of us. The plague of darkness, so thick it can be touched, has descended upon Israel and Gaza, upon college campuses, upon our own backyards. It won't be as hard, this year at Seder, to imagine ourselves as if we were slaves in Egypt. We feel terror, fear, and loss all around us. But the arc of Passover is: we begin with degradation and conclude with exaltation.

Even if it feels like we are lodged between a rock and a hard place, the advancing Egyptian army on one side and the Red Sea on the other, Passover reminds us that darkness precedes light, that the womb precedes birth, and that redemption lies just around the corner, if only we have the faith and courage to step forward. What will our step forward be? What lies within us, waiting to be born in this season of our deliverance?

The medieval Italian commentator Sforno says that *matzah* can't rise under all that external pressure. It can't rise without the time and space it needs to grow. People and *matzah* have that in common. Sometimes, we're our own greatest taskmaster, standing in the way of our own growth and flourishing. Exodus begins with Moses smiting the taskmaster. Maybe our story begins the same way. How can we remove internal obstacles standing in the way of our ability to rise? How can we subject ourselves to less undue pressure? This *Pesach*, let's rise. Let's give birth to something new. Let's believe that our story ends in exaltation.

Rabbi Joshua Jacobs

Shir Shabbat Friday, April 12 • 6 pm



Inspiration, contemplation and sheer joy! Join our clergy for our uplifting, creative musical service designed to integrate new melodies into our prayer experience and reinvigorate our souls in preparation for Shabbat.

Education & Youth



Nachshon at the Red Sea

Among my favorite *midrashim* is the story of Nachshon, who fled with the Israelites until they arrived at the Red Sea. They stopped, unable to penetrate the vast waters, yet realized that the Egyptian army was chasing them, not far behind. God had told Moses to lift his staff and the people would be able to walk into the midst of the sea, but the people cried out that they had been left to die in the wilderness, not daring to step foot into the foreboding waters that lie ahead.

No one dared, that is, until Nachshon. With incredible bravery, courage, and an unshakeable faith in God, Nachshon put one foot into the sea, then the next. He continued walking until the water covered his ankles, then his knees, then his chest. Nachshon was nearly swallowed up by the water, but he continued to press forward, continuing to believe. And just when it seemed he could not make it any farther, the miracle occurred: the waters parted. And so it was as God had promised, the Israelites crossed the sea on dry land.

As Passover nears, here at the Youth & Learning Center we are preparing for our annual Youth Shabbaton & Leadership Retreat, where nearly 70 of our 3rd-8th grade students, joined by high school *madrichim* and our staff team, will learn about *Pesach* in a whole new way! As part of our Shabbaton, we will overcome obstacles through team-building challenges and ropes course initiatives, encouraging our students to learn by Nachshon's example; sometimes we need to be the ones to take the first step!

Rabbi Josh Foster



Youth Shabbaton & Leadership Retreat

April 12-14 • Camp Wise

The Passport to Passover Shabbaton is for 3rd – 6th graders and the Middle School Leadership Retreat is for 7th – 8th graders. All programming, meals and snacks included. Transportation from BJC. Learn more and register at <https://cutt.ly/QwBlyxi6>. The Youth Shabbaton is sponsored in part by the Harvey A. & Harriet D. Freiman Education Enrichment Fund.



Pre-Passover Carb Fest Lounge Night

Monday, April 15 • 5:30 pm

Join us before Makom as we prepare for Passover in the best way possible, by eating all the hametz! This event is open to grades 6-12. Contact Sydney with questions.



Camp Ramah Canada

Sunday, April 7 • noon – 2 pm • BJC

Prospective families and current campers and their families are invited to a pre-summer meet-up with super fun arts and crafts and lunch. Register at

<https://forms.gle/w6ipLzHXDohv2q8MA>.

5th & 6th Grade Service & Dinner

Friday, April 19 • 6 pm

Our BHRS 5th & 6th graders will lead the congregational Friday evening service and then have a private dinner. Students are free; family members are \$10/per person. Please register at <https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/event/5and6shabbat24>.

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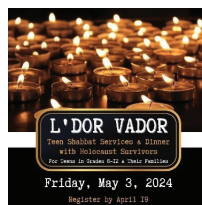
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L'dor Vador Teen Shabbat

Friday, May 3 • 6 pm



Join us as we observe Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) with Holocaust Survivors and their families. Teens and their parents will hear from a Survivor and eat Shabbat dinner in small groups with second generation family members to hear their stories and ask questions in a meaningful, intimate setting. Parents are welcome to join; there will be teen-only tables and parent-only tables. \$10/member; \$15/non-member. Please register by April 19 at <https://bit.ly/ldorvador24>.

From Our Affiliates

Passover Playtime at Kiddie Jungle

Sunday, April 14 • 10 am



Join us for a fun and active morning as we get ready for Passover! We will jump, climb and crawl as we search for hametz (bread) in a fun scavenger hunt. Of course,

there will be snacks and time for adults to schmooze as the kids play. See the website for more information and to register. Kiddie Jungle is located at 5456 Mayfield Road, Lyndhurst.

Neshama Body and Soul

Tuesday, April 9 • 7 pm



This workout-worship experience combines Jewish prayer with body-weight strength-training and mobility exercises in an effort to help participants connect the physical with the spiritual. We will gather in Halpern Hall and Rabbi Jaymee Alpert will join us virtually on

the big screen. This event is open to everyone. There will be a good amount of physical activity including getting up and down off the floor. Please bring a mat or a towel, water, wear sneakers and workout clothes. Registration is encouraged at <https://cutt.ly/Rw9GzrBQ>, but walk-ins will be welcome.

L'Chaim is Coming to BJC this Spring!

Fun with Nostalgia

Sunday, May 19 • 11:30 am



What is **L'Chaim**? Co-chaired by Judy Friedman and Larry Rosner, B'nai Jeshurun's new **L'Chaim** group (60+) will provide seniors with social, spiritual, physical and educational opportunities through

a variety of interesting programs. Mark your calendar for the FREE opening event. Lunch will be provided and you are guaranteed to have a fun afternoon reminiscing about the good old days. Register at <https://cutt.ly/nostalgia2024> or contact Shani Kadis.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, April 4 • noon – 6 pm
Gottlieb Auditorium

Give blood for an exclusive *Godzilla x Kong: The New Empire* and Red Cross shirt (limited quantity!)

Sponsored by Men's Club. Save a life; give blood.

Walk-ins welcome or register at

<https://cutt.ly/okN7EiL>.

Chesed @Kosher Food Pantry

Sunday, April 14 • 9:30 am



We will sort and pack food that will be delivered to families in the community. Everyone volunteering should be over the age of 7 and ready to work. You must contact Shani Kadis to volunteer so we know you are helping. The Pantry is located at 2004 S. Green Rd., S. Euclid.

Chesed at Ronald McDonald House

Wednesday, May 1 • 3 pm



We are looking for eight volunteers over the age of 18 to help prepare and set up a vegetarian meal. Ronald McDonald House will provide us with all the food and supplies. We will meet there (10415 Euclid Ave, Cleveland). Contact Shani Kadis to volunteer.



Sisterhood Torah Fund Luncheon

Sunday, April 14 • 11:30 am • BJC



Join fellow Torah Fund Benefactors and Supporters* for our annual program featuring Dr. Sean Martin, Associate Curator, Jewish History at Western Reserve Historical

Society. \$30/person; pre-paid reservations due no later than April 8 at <https://cutt.ly/kwBJ7ugY>. You may also mail your payment to Judi Lauer, 27050 Cedar Road #410, Beachwood, OH 44122. Questions? Contact Judi Lauer (judithlauer@roadrunner.com or 330-888-9029) or Lynne Friedman (lfriedman2@roadrunner.com).

*To attend this special luncheon, you must be a current Torah Fund Benefactor (contributed \$180 or more during the last year) or a Torah Fund Supporter (contributed \$20 or more to the Torah Fund, including purchase of Torah Fund Greeting Cards during the last year). There is still time to make your 2023-2024 contribution to become a benefactor or supporter.



Sisterhood Lunch & Learn

Ludlow

Tuesday, April 16 • noon

Brian Walker will talk to us about Ludlow: Growing up in Shaker Heights in the 1950's and 1960's. Mr. Walker is a 1969 graduate of Shaker Heights High School and will reflect on his experience living in Shaker Hts. in that era. Currently, he is a filmmaker in New York and has worked in the beauty industry. He is also a childhood friend of Rafi Simon. \$10 per person. RSVP to Robin by April 12 (rroodrd@gmail.com or 440-666-7658).

Sisterhood Book Discussion



There is no discussion this month due to Pesach. Next month, our book will be *The Latecomer* by Jean Hanff Korelitz and we will meet on May 15. Contact Linda Schoenberg (drcats2224@gmail.com) or Sylvia Abrams (sylvia.abrams@gmail.com) with questions.

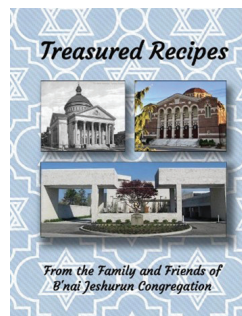
Apiculture & Honey Making

Tuesday May 7 • 4 pm



BJC member Bobbi Pincus presents "The Science of Beekeeping and Honey Making." See Bobbi's apiary, herb and pollinator garden; share recipes for using honey. The event will be held on the patio of her home (rain or shine). Pre-paid reservations are required by May 1 at <https://cutt.ly/BobbiHoney>. Due to patio and parking, space is limited. The address will be given upon registration. \$10/person. Questions or to help arrange carpooling, contact Harriet Rosenberg Mann (harrietrmann@gmail.com or 216-978-0451). Pre-order and pay for Bobbi's "Bee J Honey" for \$10 per 8 oz. jar; sales benefit BJC Sisterhood. Pick up at the event or the synagogue office.

Sisterhood Cookbook



From generation to generation of classic and modern recipes, the BJC Sisterhood cookbook is an amazing compilation of over 200 recipes in a beautifully designed, full-color format, complete with gorgeous photos! From soup to salads, main courses, delicious desserts - and even a Passover section, you can be sure to find something to please the most discerning palate! Pre-sale price of \$36 (cash/check only) until April 1, then price increases to \$40. Available at the synagogue. Questions? Contact Robin Rood (rroodrd@gmail.com or 440-666-7658).

Save the Date:

Installation of Sisterhood Board & Officers

Thursday, May 16 • 7 pm

Tree of Life

In Memoriam

We note with sorrow the passing of

JEAN GELLER

Mother of Honey Friedman

LARRY EUGENE JOHNSON

Father of Jim Johnson

SYDELL MILLER

Mother of Stacie Halpern

EDITH PESKIN

Mother of Debra Wiznitzer

***EVELYN SLOMOVITZ**

Grandmother of Bryan Slomovitz

ILENE SCHUR

Mother of Ellen Brown

IRMA SOBEL

Mother of Wendy Dahar

* B'nai Jeshurun member

We extend our deepest condolences
to all the members of their families.

Happy Milestone Anniversary to:

Frances & Aaron Bulloff	50 Years
Minda & Andrew Meyer	50 Years
Ida & Irwin Haber	45 Years
Linda & Doug Powers	45 Years
Sharon Citron & Barnett Elman	40 Years
Miriam Vishny & Mark Cohen	35 Years
Ellen & Lee Jackson	35 Years
Carol & Arnold Feltoon	15 Years

Happy Milestone Birthday to:

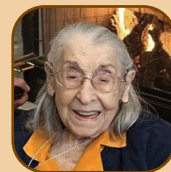
Robert Allenick	David Goldstein
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Steven Deutch	Joel Salon
Heidi Feuerman	Ellen Shefner
Donna Fiala	Rachel Slomovitz
Richard Glaser	Jon Steiger
Eric Glassman	Sergio Thal

Mazel Tov to

Our Member

Mathilda Kolt,

turned 110 years old on February 10.



- **Mia & Andrew Rutsky** on the birth of a daughter, **Esther Laura Rutsky**. Great-grandparents are **Salli & Alan Rutsky**.
- **Sandy & Mike Meckler** on the birth of a son, **Logan Jacob Meckler**. Grandparents are **Paula & Stanley Meckler**.
- **Marsha & Roman Aronovich** on the birth of a daughter, **Ella Rayne Aronovich**.
- **Holly & Alan Levine** on the birth of a granddaughter, **Lennie Raine Kotz**.
- **Susan & Jerry Gottlieb** on the birth of a grandson, **Charlie Liam Gottlieb**.
- **Elaine Maniker** on the birth of a grandson, **Samuel Maniker**.
- **Dalana & Gary Sardon** on the birth of a grandson, **Elijah Sardon**.
- **Linda & Eric Glassman** on the birth of a granddaughter, **Avery Rose Glassman**.
- **Cheryl Shankman** and **Geraldine Stein** on the birth of a granddaughter and great-granddaughter, **Margot Daisy Silberberg**.
- **Julia Penberthy & Andrew Rabovsky** on their marriage. Andrew's parents are **Laurie Linden Rabovsky & Michael Rabovsky**.
- **Pam & Sandy Besunder** and **Estelle Payner** on the engagement of their son and grandson, **Scott**, to **Carla Tomasone**.



Rutsky



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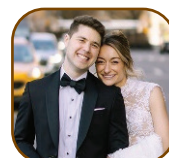
Maniker



Glassman



Silberberg



Rabovsky



Besunder & Tomasone

Yasher Koach

- **Benjamin Altose** was awarded the Council Duty to God Award from the Boy Scouts of America, which recognizes those with an "exemplary history of transformational leadership in supporting and promoting the spiritual foundation of Scouting at the local council level."



Altose

Pesach 5784

All services will be in-person, on stream and Zoom.
Use the Shabbat morning Zoom link for morning holiday services (see pg 2).

Sunday, April 21: Search for hametz (evening)

Monday, April 22: Erev Pesach – 1st Seder

No eating of hametz after 11:06 am; sell and burn hametz before 12:15 pm

7:15 am Minyan; Siyyum b'Chorim
(Fast of the First Born)

6:00 pm Mincha/Evening Festival Service

Tuesday, April 23: 1st Day of Pesach – 2nd Seder

9:30 am Festival Service

6:00 pm Mincha

Wednesday, April 24: 2nd Day of Pesach

9:30 am Festival Service

6:00 pm Mincha

Sunday, April 28: Erev 7th Day of Pesach

6:00 pm Mincha/Evening Festival Service

Monday, April 29: 7th Day of Pesach

9:00 am Festival Service

6:00 pm Mincha

Tuesday, April 30: 8th Day of Pesach

9:00 am Festival Service/Yizkor/

Dedication of Memorial Plaques

10:30 am Children's Programming during Yizkor

6:00 pm Mincha

9:09 pm Pesach ends

If you sold your hametz through the shul, you may eat it right away, as the sale reverts immediately.

Memorial Plaques & Golden Book of Remembrance

A beautiful way to honor the memory of a loved one is with a memorial plaque or listing. Plaques are displayed on the Memorial Wall at the rear of the David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary. During the week of yahrzeit, your loved one's name is also highlighted in the center section of the Wall. The Wall is an adjustable, alphabetic memorial. The Golden Book of Remembrance is a beautifully calligraphed volume on permanent display in the case outside Nickman Chapel.

Orders are accepted at any time, but dedications are made only at Yizkor Pesach and Yom Kippur. **The deadline for dedications in time for Pesach this year is Wednesday, April 3.** The price of a memorial plaque is \$600 and a listing is \$200. Contact Diane Dronzek to place an order or to learn more.

Don't Let These Great Books PASSOVER You!

Becoming Elijah: Prophet of Transformation
(Daniel C. Matt)

The Haggadah Connection: with translation and thematic commentary (Rabbi Reuven P. Bulka)

The Passover Haggadah: a biography (Vanessa L. Ochs)

The Jonathan Sacks Haggada: Collected Essays on Pesach

The Telling: How Judaism's Essential Book Reveals the Meaning of Life (Mark Gerson)

The Telling: An Interactive Guide to the Haggadah

Looking to find a new recipe.....

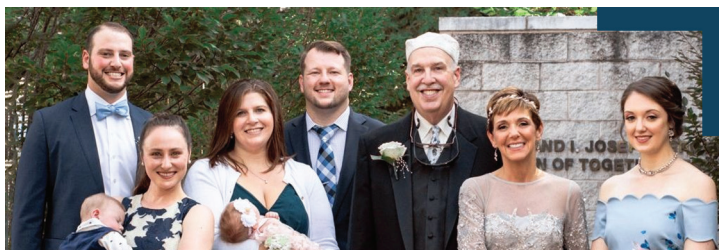
Passover Cookery: In the Kitchen with Joan Kekst

My Pesach Kitchen: Stress-free Recipes Your Family Will Love
(Faigy Murray)

Too Good to Passover: Sephardic and Judeo-Arabic

Seder Menus and Memories from Africa, Asia and Europe
(Jennifer Felicia Abadi)

Our libraries are always growing! See some spring reading options at <https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/learn-with-us-libraries> or contact Dr. Rafi Simon, our Librarian.



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Pesach 5784

Dear Friend(s),

The Rabbinical Assembly Pesach Guide, which I hope will add to your observance of Pesach (Passover), includes the rules and procedures relating to the special food requirements of Pesach observance. They have been compiled by the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards (CJLS) of the Rabbinical Assembly and Conservative Movement. This information can serve as an annual reference for you. Any items not covered, and about which you have a question, should be discussed directly with me. I hope your preparations for Pesach will lead to a joyous holiday for you and your dear ones. **The 2024 – 5784 guide is available at <https://cutt.ly/PesachGuide5784>.** Hard copies are available in the synagogue office or call to have one mailed to you.

Sincerely,



Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria

Siyyum B'Chorim

Firstborns, normally required to fast the day before Pesach, are relieved of this requirement by attending a Torah study session (*siyyum*) on the morning before the holiday. This year's *siyyum* will be held on Monday, April 22, at the conclusion of the *Shaharit* service. Minyan will begin at 7:15 am. The service will be in person, on stream and Zoom, <https://zoom.us/j/96705935055>.

Passover & Hametz Food Collections

Chesed is collecting non-perishable and non-expired food items. Kosher for Passover items will be distributed to needy Jewish families. *Hametz* items will be donated to the Greater Cleveland Food Bank as part of Harvest for Hunger. Food may be dropped off in the bins in Gross Atrium through Thursday, April 18.

Looking for a Seder?

If you are looking for home hospitality for the seders, or are willing to open your home to guests, please contact Rabbi Rudin-Luria.

HAMETZ TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP

The transfer of the ownership of *HAMETZ* during the Pesach holiday will be accomplished by your signing and returning the form below. Please keep in mind that the Pesach season has always been a time for *tzedakah*. You may choose any cause. Contributions to our B'nai Jeshurun Passover Fund will be distributed to MAZON, the National Jewish Response to Hunger, to our Cleveland Chesed Center, and to our local Passover Meals on Wheels and Passover Assistance Fund project.

Date _____

I, _____
(print name)

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(street address) (city)

do hereby authorize, empower and enable Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria of B'nai Jeshurun Congregation, to sell all the *hametz* as defined by the Rabbis of the Talmud in the Tractate Pesachim, and which is located at the above address, to whomsoever he wishes provided that ownership of the same *hametz* is restored to its original owner one minute after the close of the Festival of Pesach. In addition, I authorize Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria to appoint another agent to carry out this sale in his stead. I also empower him to sell the *hametz* located at the following locations under the same terms and conditions as set forth: (please list name and address)

(signed)

Please return by **Sunday, April 21 at 5 pm** to B'nai Jeshurun Congregation (attn. Diane Dronzek),
27501 Fairmount Blvd., Pepper Pike, OH 44124. **Authorization forms are also available**
on the synagogue website at <https://cutt.ly/hametz>.

BIC Learning Institute



Please check our website for updates at https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/adult_ed. We look forward to seeing you in class! **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.**



Minding the P's & Q's of Pesach with Rabbi Carnie Rose

Thursdays, April 4, 11 and 18 • 7:30 pm

Join Rabbi Rose for a thoughtful and spiritually uplifting exploration of some of the most well-known - yet poorly understood - aspects of the Passover Haggadah and the Passover Seder. Hidden gems to share at your Passover table! Hybrid.



The How & Why of Jewish Ritual with Cantor Aaron Shifman

Thursdays, May 2, 9 & 16 • 7:30 pm

Have you ever wondered why we do what we do? Explore the origins and reasoning behind some of the customs that guide us.

The Power of Nature in our Tradition with Cantor Aaron Shifman

Thursdays, May 23, 30 & June 6 • 7:30 pm

Wind, Water, Fire, Earth, Moon, Sun & Stars - though thousands of years have passed, we inhabit the exact same world as our ancestors. Delve into the ways our environment is showcased in the Torah and our sacred texts.

We are excited for Cantor Shifman's return to teach with us! Hybrid; in-person attendance is encouraged.

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

Staying Fit with Linda Schoenberg

Mondays • 11 am (April 8 at 10:30 am) (no class April 22 & 29)

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/89133175062>

What's NU?: Passover Edition with Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria

Mondays, April 1 & 15 • noon

Join our virtual class for discussion on the most relevant and timely classic and current sources and topics.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81206438286>

Bible Study with Susan Wyner

Tuesdays • 10:30 am (no class April 23 & 30)

Join in for a close reading of the Bible as we make our way through our most central text. We are currently studying Samuel 1, Chapter 29 - Samuel 2, Chapter 7.

<https://zoom.us/j/94519361768>

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

Wednesdays • 10:30 am (no class April 24)

A small group of rabbis, over the course of a couple hundred years, laid out entire systems of holiday observance, civil and criminal law and taxation, among many others. It is the core of what we think of as Jewish tradition today.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87108945546>

Passover Lunch & Learn

Thursdays • noon (no class April 25)

This is a hybrid class and participants are encouraged to come in person. Lunch will be provided; donations welcome to cover costs.

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

April 4 – Rabbi Josh Foster

April 11 – Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria

April 18 – Rabbi Matt Berkowitz – Torah from Israel

Torah Café

Saturdays • 9 am

Gain fresh insights into the Torah, and study with great teachers! Breakfast, coffee and tea are available.

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

April 6 – Rabbi Shalom Plotkin

April 13 – Rabbi Peter Haas

April 20 – Rabbi Eddie Sukol

April 27 – Rabbi Carnie Rose

Purim



Jewish Young Professionals across Cleveland enjoyed an exciting Purim celebration at The Bridge's Purim Party, *The Shuk After Dark: An Israeli Market Purim Party* at 78th Street Studios on Saturday, March 16! The Bridge partnered with jHUB, Moishe House and the Jewish Federation of Cleveland's Young Leadership Division. From an Israeli wine tasting to a falafel and shwarma dinner, Hebrew signs, the DJ playing the thumping beats of Israeli party music, and so much more, party-goers stepped into the venue and immediately felt as though they were transported to the streets of Jerusalem, wandering through the city's Shuk Machne Yehudah.

The Bridge is grateful to the Jewish Federation of Cleveland's Israel@75 Microgrant program for making this immersive experience possible.



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From the Rabbi

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who performs the work of creation." (*oseh ma'aseh bereshit*). Upon witnessing shooting stars, earthquakes, lightning, or violent winds, the one blesses G-d "Whose power and might fill the universe." (*shekokho ugevurato maleh olam*). Rabbi Heller suggests we recite one of these two blessings when witnessing a solar eclipse using protective eyewear, filters and camera/phone filters.

As the plague of darkness in the Pesach story brought light and freedom for our ancestors. May the darkness of the eclipse teach us to appreciate the light in our lives even more and continue our work to bring light to all, especially the Israelis who remain in captivity in Gaza.

Hag Kasher v'Sameach. Wishing all of you a Zissen Pesach.

Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria

Men's Club/Sisterhood Trip to Ireland

September 15 - 20, 2024



This trip will be led by Jerry Brodsky and Laurel Sheldon. Enjoy four hotel nights (September 16-20) - two nights in Kilkenny's Lyrath Estates Hotel and two night in Dublin's Camden Court Hotel including breakfast daily and some dinners.

See Merry Ploughboys; travel by private motorcoach: three days of touring with a driver/guide; Thursday in Dublin on your own; admissions to: Rock of Cashel, The House of Waterford Crystal Factory, Medieval Museum of Waterford, Bishop's Castle Waterford, Irish Jewish Museum, Kilkenny Castle, Trinity College (Book of Kells - Old Library) Dublin; airport transfers.

\$1,950 per person (double occupancy) not including flights; single supplement, add \$250. Learn more at <https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/be-with-us-travel#> (scroll down).

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