

Tidings

Community-Wide Tikkun Leil Shavuot 5781

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Shavuot Night Live

Via Zoom & Streaming

May 16, 2021

7:30 pm - 2:00 am

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**SHAVUOT
NIGHTLIVE**

155th Annual Meeting

Sunday, May 2 • 4 pm

Mazal tov to our awardees:

David Cohen ~

Joseph M. Lomberg Award for Outstanding Individual Service

Tova & Chad Cohen ~

Rabbi Rudolph M. Rosenthal Outstanding Family Award



David Cohen



Chad & Tova Cohen

Voting will be handled online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2021BJCballot>.

If you prefer to receive a paper ballot, please contact the synagogue office.

<https://zoom.us/j/97247471730>.

Beineinu - Between Us



Our congregation is once again hosting the largest Tikkun Leil Shavuot in Cleveland. We will gather (this year again virtually) to study Torah with many excellent rabbis and educators from our synagogue and partner institutions.

The custom of studying all night is based on the rabbinic teaching that our ancestors fell asleep on the night before God's revelation and the Ten Commandments. We stay up all night to atone for their apparent apathy and to demonstrate our zealous desire to embrace the Torah and draw near to God.

The word *tikkun* can mean order and is a synonym for the word *seder*. Most of us know the word "tikkun" from the phrase Tikkun Olam, which means to "repair the world." That phrase comes from the Alenu prayer, to make "heaven on earth" by repairing our world through acts of kindness, compassion and justice. One image of life in the World to Come is offered by the sage Shmuel in the Talmud: "there is no difference between this world and the next except for the elimination of the subjugation of nations." Most scholars take this to mean that when the Messiah comes, this world will continue on as it is, but that hatred, persecution, war and oppression will cease. We will all live in harmony.

Rabbi Chaim of Volozhin taught that each one of us creates our own place in the World to Come by our thoughts, words and actions in this world. When we think about doing a mitzvah, we draw down God's light which hovers around and envelops our minds and hearts. The joy we get from that light motivates us to go through with whatever good thing we were about to do. And if we do that mitzvah, that light of God stays with us. With each mitzvah, we draw down more of God's light around us. In this way, we create our own piece of the World to Come.

It's been a rough year for all of us, but Rabbi Chaim teaches us that we have the ability to draw God's light to us and to feel the healing power of God's love.

So, as we approach Shavuot, my prayer for each of us this year is that we find ways, through our own thoughts, speech and action, to draw down God's light and carve out a little slice of heaven right here on earth.

Naomi joins me in wishing you and your families a *Hag Shavuot Sameach!*

Rabbi Stephen Weiss

Save the Date:

Marcus Graduation with guest speaker Rabbi Sharon Brous Friday, June 11



Rabbi Brous is the Founder/Senior Rabbi of IKAR. Her TED talk, "Reclaiming Religion" has been viewed by more than 1.4 million people. She was named #1 on the Newsweek/The Daily Beast list of most influential Rabbis in America. Learn more at <https://ikar.org/team/rabbi-sharon-brous/>.

Candle Lighting

May 7.....	8:12 pm
May 14.....	8:19 pm
May 16.....	8:21 pm
May 17.....	after 9:22 pm
May 21.....	8:26 pm
May 28.....	8:32 pm

Torah Portions

May 1.....	Emor
May 8.....	Behar-Bechukotai
May 15.....	Bemidbar
May 22.....	Nasso
May 29.....	Beha'alotecha

Daily Service Schedule

Live stream our services at

www.bnaijeshurun.org/streaming or Zoom in via phone at (929) 205-6099 (Meeting IDs: Weekday mornings 413 413 630; Evenings 200 230 834; Sunday mornings 298 657 543) or computer at:

<https://cutt.ly/bjcSundayMorningMinyan8am>

<https://cutt.ly/bjcMorningMinyanM-F715am>

<https://cutt.ly/bjcWeekdayAfternoonMinyan6pm>

Friday evening service:

<https://cutt.ly/FriNt>

Meeting ID # 962 5683 8863

Shabbat & **Shavuot Festival** morning services:

<https://cutt.ly/bjcShabbatAndFestivals9am>

Meeting ID #750 690 071

Shabbat & **Shavuot Festival** afternoon services:

<https://cutt.ly/Saturday-Festival-Day-6-pm>

Meeting ID #932 5191 4283

Service Times:

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

Saturdays: 9:00 am, 6:00 pm

Sundays: 8:00 am, 6:00 pm

**The Friday evening service on May 21
will be at 7:00 pm for Shabbat Rocks!**



President's Message



This is my last *Tidings* column as president. While this was obviously not the presidency I expected, I am still proud of what the synagogue has accomplished, both before and during the pandemic.

Before the pandemic, we focused on increasing engagement through new programs, such as Mind-Full Shabbat and the 1000 Cups of Coffee initiative, and through holiday celebrations, such as the planned Congregational Second Seder of 2020. All of these activities tried to engage more of you through in-person interactions.

Since the pandemic, the focus has remained on engagement; however, we had to shift to virtual and outdoor formats. I am both impressed and pleased with how quickly we adapted and with the quantity and quality of our programming.

We tried to reach all our congregants through phone calls from board members and volunteers, emails, countless programs and twice daily services. Whether through holiday celebrations, family events, Men's Club happy hours, Sisterhood Lunch & Learns, Israel travel, buddy phone calls, concerts or numerous, wonderful classes, we have tried to engage, educate, amuse, sustain, distract and entertain our congregants. When the weather cooperated, we gathered outside for Shabbat Rocks!, shofar blowing, Tashlikh, scavenger hunts, Kinder Shabbat and morning minyan.

Our High Holiday services allowed our members to enjoy our beautiful and meaningful services from the safety of their homes. Our religious school continued to serve the needs of students through a new pandemic curriculum, individualized tutoring and weekly youth services. We worked with the Retreat Institute of the Jewish Education Center to develop hands-on programs for our youngest families and our school-age kids.

Through it all, we continued to meet the needs of our congregants, celebrate lifecycle events, lift each other out of sorrow and be there for one another, like the community we have always been. Through the generous support of many of you, we have been able to continue to function and serve our community, and we will emerge from the pandemic, hopefully soon, stronger than ever.

Thank you for such a meaningful and fulfilling (and exhausting) three years. We're all ready to move forward.

Gena Cohen

Cantor's Corner



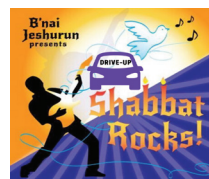
In Psalm 100, it states to serve G-d with joy. Rabbi Nachman of Breslov made this one of the hallmarks of the foundation of his Chassidic ideology. He suggests that constructed prayer is not enough to connect with G-d. We should also meditate daily and speak to G-d during the process as one speaks to a friend. He says one should be accustomed to ask G-d for everything. There is nothing too trivial and, through the process, one's reliance will grow.

Obviously, we all have to do what we can to improve our situations. We are not allowed to rely on miracles. This connectivity with G-d will make our relationships significantly better. We will be able to concentrate on our prayers and their meanings. Incorporating time daily with structured prayer will take us to new spiritual heights.

Rabbi Nachman also suggests to have a prayer and meditation room or space, ideally outdoors in the fields. However, any space will do. Finding an area with no distractions will allow us to cleanse our minds and attach ourselves to G-d. There is no script necessary and we should share our thoughts with G-d. He recognizes that we may not feel comfortable initially and, therefore, even just meditating and saying a phrase like "master of the universe" will suffice. As one acclimates to this process, we will feel more comfortable expanding our conversations. Essentially, this is our private time with G-d which will elevate us. Ultimately, we will feel joy and shoulder life's burdens with a different attitude. In this day and age, with so many stresses and distractions, this concept is really a game changer.

May we all feel joy and be blessed to make G-d our focal point.

B'Shalom,
Cantor Aaron Shifman



Drive-Up Shabbat Rocks! Friday, May 21 • 7 pm

Clap your hands and stomp your feet as you dance to live music at one of our favorite services while staying at a safe distance. Virtual options will still be available for the entire service through streaming and Zooming! Register and learn more at <https://cutt.ly/ShabbatRocks-May>. Registration is required and spaces are limited. Learn more about the service, download the prayer book and listen to tracks at <https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/event/shabbat-rocks2.html>. Prayer books will be provided. Bring a chair if you'd like to sit outside next to your car.

This season has been generously underwritten by The Jan & Ron Moskowitz Family, Phyllis & Sidney Reisman and Jocelyn & Peter Saltz. Future dates: June 18, July 16 & August 20.

Education & Youth



Proclaim Liberty Throughout the Land

Just as we are commanded to observe Shabbat, a day of rest, we are also obligated to provide rest for our land. "Six years you may sow your field, prune your vineyard and gather in the yield, but in the seventh year the land shall have a Sabbath of complete rest" (Lev. 25:3-4). Furthermore, after seven cycles of this Sabbatical year, we are to declare a full release for the land, a Jubilee.

According to our sages, these laws – read from the Torah this month in *Parashat Behar* on the last Shabbat of our Bessie Hershey Religious School year – are embedded in a traditional Jewish understanding of how God relates to us. The Torah states in our *parasha*, "...for the land is Mine; you are but temporary residents with Me." The underlying idea behind both the *Shmitah* (Sabbatical) and Jubilee years is that ultimately nothing truly belongs to us. We must remember that even our most prized possessions belong to God, and we must be responsible to take care of everything that we have been lent.

As a student of American history, it is striking to me that while the concepts of the Sabbatical and Jubilee years seemingly challenge the materialistic nature of our country's culture, this Torah reading figures prominently in our country's history. In 1751, when Pennsylvania ordered construction of a special bell to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the 'Charter of Privileges', they searched for a quote that would capture the essence of the freedoms granted to the colonies in the New World – and found it in the Torah: "You shall sound the shofar, making a declaration throughout all your land. You shall sanctify the fiftieth year, proclaim liberty throughout the land and to all the inhabitants thereof" (Leviticus 25:9-10). This bell, as we know, came to be known as the Liberty Bell, and exemplifies the shared values between our country and our tradition. We are sovereign, not under servitude to any one person, but responsible to one another in taking care of the world, as God has charged us with this awesome task.

Rabbi Josh Foster

**Bessie Hershey Religious School
ends May 8**

B'nai Mitzvah



ARI SAMUEL ZELWIN

Shabbat morning, May 1

Ari attends Solon Middle School and enjoys cross country, basketball and baseball. For his Mitzvah Project, he is volunteering at local food pantries and raising money for The Greater Cleveland Food Bank. He is the son of Brooke & Adam Zelwin, brother of Chase and Zachary Zelwin, grandson of Ronna & Robert Zelwin and Bonnie & Robert Bernstein and great-grandson of Shirley & Morton Klein.



EMILY JILL KURLAND

Shabbat morning, May 22

Emily attends Mandel JDS and lives in Orange. She enjoys soccer, creative writing, cooking/baking and basketball. For her Mitzvah Project, she is volunteering at the Cleveland Kosher Food Pantry. She is the daughter of Amanda & Kenny Kurland, sister of Rachel and Sara Kurland and granddaughter of Judy & Lenny Clark, Gloria Kurland and Phoebe & Alan Weiner. Emily is also the granddaughter of the late Sanford (Corky) Kurland.



NAOMI DANIELLE WULIGER

Shabbat morning, May 29

Naomi lives in Kirtland and enjoys theater, camp and Power of the Pen. For her Mitzvah Project, she is making cards for residents at Montefiore to brighten their day during the pandemic. She is the daughter of Allison & Jason Wuliger, sister of Emmett and George Wuliger, granddaughter of Rosalie & Morley Schwebel and Sandy & Tim Wuliger and great-granddaughter of Donald Fleishaker.

Youth Service

Shabbat mornings, through May 8 • 11:15 am

All students under Bar/Bat Mitzvah age are invited to join us each week during the school year for our youth service. There are opportunities to lead prayers, chant from the Torah and celebrate Shabbat together with friends from BJC.

<https://zoom.us/j/486237183>.



Kinder Shabbat

Fridays • 10:30 am

Have fun with us on Facebook (Mishpachot - B'nai Jeshurun Young Families) as we sing your favorite songs with Mr. Chuck and pray with the clergy, too! Zoom in at <https://zoom.us/j/233169518>. We will be transitioning back to in-person, date TBD.

Youth & Education

Mazal tov to our Confirmands!

1st day Shavuot - Monday, May 17 • 9 am

Join us as our Confirmands lead the service.

Confirmand

Rena Berkowitz
Nathan Claypool
Morgan Leeson
David Levine
Jonathan Loeb
Lia Polster
Bradley Rothschild
Melissa Rothschild
Eliana Wolf

Parents

Rachel & Richard Berkowitz
Rifka Claypool and Matthew Claypool
Julie & Michael Leeson
Michelle & Adam Levine
Judy Mitchell-Loeb & James Loeb
Eliana LeVine & Josh Polster
Debbie & Barry Rothschild
Debbie & Barry Rothschild
Tamara & Jason Wolf

Mazal tov to our Consecrants!

Sunday, May 2 • 11 am

Consecrant

Daphne Dachner
Charles Fishman
Dalia Gendelman
Emily Goldenberg
Elliot Grasso
Jillian Lazarus
Ellie Milgrom
Evelyn Miller
Ezra Rosenblatt
Charlie Schonfeld
George Wuliger

Parents

Alison & Joel Dachner
Courtney & Robert Fishman
Hannah & Josh Gendelman
Michelle Goldstein & Aaron Goldenberg
Miriam & Joseph Grasso
Jana Rossman Lazarus & Jeff Lazarus
Kate & Natan Milgrom
Jessica & Fred Miller
Brooke Lampl & Eric Rosenblatt
Kim Favor & Jonathan Schonfeld
Allison & Jason Wuliger

Youth Hybrid Shabbaton: Shabbat Together @ Home

Thursday, May 13 • 4:30 - 5:00 pm – Shabbat @ Home Bag Pickup

Friday, May 14 • 5:30 pm – Welcome Shabbat Together over Zoom

Shabbat Morning, May 15 • 9:00 am – Shabbat services honoring graduating High School Seniors

Sunday, May 16 • 1:30 - 2:30 pm – Final Holiday Chavaya Program: Shavuot - Making our way to Mt. Sinai. We will be meeting IN-PERSON in the BJC Courtyard - registration and more details coming soon!

Mazal Tov to our Siddur Recipients

Our 4th graders received their own *siddurim* and led the youth service on April 24.

Student

Callie Beynenson
Natalie Botnick
Liesel Dachner
Adva Dana
Lily Friedman

Parents

Julie & Alex Beynenson
Abby & Robert Botnick
Alison & Joel Dachner
Ianina & Hod Dana
Lindsay Friedman
and Jason Friedman
Michelle Goldstein &
Aaron Goldenberg
Allison & Scott Peterson
Sharon & Jay Rosky
Brooke & Adam Zelwin

Minna Goldenberg
Kyla Peterson
Ariella Rosky
Chase Zelwin

Our 3rd graders will receive their own *siddurim* and will lead the youth service on May 8.

Student

Ezra Ellis
Adam Fishman
Colton Hobrath
Gabriel Kadis
Jacob Lazarus

Parents

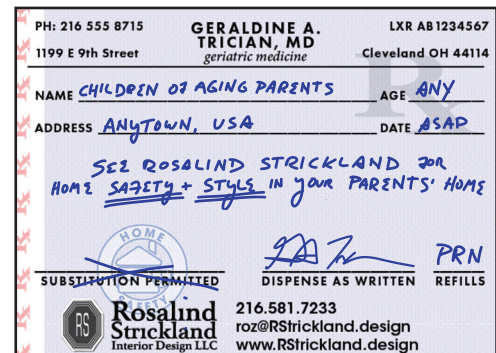
Sandra & Adam Ellis
Courtney & Robert Fishman
Lori & Jake Hobrath
Shani & Dan Kadis
Jana Rossman Lazarus &
Jeff Lazarus
Kimberly & Craig Levin
Angela and Alberto Sardon
Leah & Casey Stella
Courtney & Jeremy Zelwin

Parker Levin
Aaliyah Sardon
Sylvia Stella
Cole Zelwin

Shabbat Rocks! Pre-Program

Friday, May 21 • 6:30 pm

Come to our family drive thru for a treat before the service at 7 pm. More information coming soon.



From Our Affiliates

Men's Club & Sisterhood Around the World on Zoom

May 2 - 6



Join us for a virtual trip around the world! Only \$18/screen includes all five sessions and the evening options. Each day, we'll travel together to explore the sights and sounds of a different continent and

more! Register at <https://cutt.ly/AroundWorld>.

Sunday, May 2 at 7 pm: Hop on the plane and we're off to Ecuador and the amazing and famous Galapagos Islands.

Monday, May 3 at 4 pm: Japan: Land of the Rising Sun.

Tuesday, May 4 at 4 pm: Safari in Serengeti National Park, Tanzania (and our group picture).

Wednesday, May 5 at 4 pm: Athens, Greece: The City of the Violet Crown.

Thursday, May 6 at 4 pm: Bring bathing suits. We're going down under, literally. The Great Barrier Reef, Australia.

Evening International Experience Package (included in your registration; no extra charge):

Monday, May 3 at 7 pm: International Cooking Night featuring videos of Israeli-British chef, restaurateur and food writer Yotam Ottolenghi.

Tuesday, May 4 at 7 pm: International Film Night: *The Life Ahead* starring Sophia Loren.

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NYC Tenement Museum Tour

Thursday, May 13 • 7:30 pm



Join us for a virtual tour exploring the Rogarshevsky family, a Jewish American family from Lithuania who lived at 97 Orchard Street in

the 1910s. A Tenement Museum Educator will virtually guide you through their home and discuss how the family balanced their traditions with working outside the home at garment factories across the city. Register at: https://bnaijeshurun.formstack.com/forms/tenement_museum.

Men's Club Happy Hour

Tuesdays through May 11 • 5 pm



The Men's Club Happy Hours have been well attended by so many of our members, keeping us together during this challenging time. Enlightening, special programs, interesting guests from various fields, as well as warm friendly discussions have been shared

by all on these afternoon virtual get togethers. A HUGE amount of gratitude goes to our V.P. of Programming, **Mitch Lauer**, for arranging excellent topics and guests these past 14 months. We have stayed in touch as a result of these get togethers.

Join us for one last Happy Hour on May 11, either in person outside at BJC (space is limited) or virtually, to recap past topics and discuss the transition back to in-person shul. In-person by reservation only to jerrybrodsky2@gmail.com. Light dinner will be provided, all with social distance and safety observed.

<https://zoom.us/j/98877472739>.

Knitting Club

Wednesday, May 12 • 7 pm



Join **Zehava Galun** as we spend time with friends and fellow knitters the 2nd Wednesday of each month. We'll share projects, tips and techniques and make new friends, too. We will also choose a charity organization to partner with to donate our projects.

<https://zoom.us/j/95848014212>.

Sisterhood

Thank You to our 2020-2021 Sisterhood Torah Fund Guardians, Benefactors & Supporters

Sisterhood's Torah Fund supports The Jewish Theological Seminary of America and the Center for Conservative Judaism, which trains rabbis, cantors, educators and social workers for the Conservative Movement.

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Grace Brower
Cynthia Chaiten
Susannah Cohen
Wendy Dahar
Lynn Katz Danzig
Doreen Davis
Ruth Dobres
Wendy Dobres

Faith Eisenberg
JoAnn Eisenberg
Shulamith Erenberg
Shira & Ronnie Fass
Lynne Friedman
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Nina Rosner
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Bernice Rothman
Marcia Rothschild
Mildred Rubinstein
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Sally Rutsky

Michele Sass
Rhoda Seifert
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Sabrina Shifman
Deborah Shifrin
Sonya Shultz
Lynda Silverberg
Marlene Gross Sobol
Ileen Tepper
Nikona Thomas
Natalie Titlebaum
Michele Ungar
Carole Walters
Marcy Weinstein
Naomi Weiss
Cheryl Wolkoff
Ronna Zelwin



Sisterhood Lunch & Learn

The History of Ice Cream

Tuesday, May 11 • 12:30 pm

Robin Rood will discuss the evolution of our favorite frozen treat. RSVP to Robin (rroodrd@gmail.com or 440-666-7658).

<https://zoom.us/j/96488313276>.



Book Discussion

Wednesday, May 19 • 7:30 pm

We will discuss *Apeirogen: a novel* by Colum McCann. All are invited.

<https://zoom.us/j/91870271592>. If you have questions, contact Fay Blumenthal

(blumfay@gmail.com). June's book is *The House of Endless Waters* by Emuna Elon.

Sisterhood Installation

Thursday, May 27 • 7 pm

Todah Rabah to our outgoing 2020-2021 Sisterhood officers for their hard work and dedication:

President - Carolyn Marcs
VP Programming - Cathy Randall
VP Membership - Laurel Sheldon
VP Fundraising - Cindy Borensztein
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Video premiere will be released on Thursday, May 13.

- Harriet Rosenberg Mann, Chair, Tikkun Leil Shavuot: *Introduction and Acknowledgements*
- Rabbi Jonathan Berger, Associate Head of School, Gross Schechter Day School: *Must We Sacrifice Pleasure? On Kosher Cheeseburgers*
- Murray Berkowitz, Tova & Chad Cohen and Stephanie Berkowitz: *Cooking with Murray and Tova-Shavuot Specialties*
- Noah Bickart, Assistant Professor of Jewish and Interreligious Studies, John Carroll University: *Rabbi Meir and the Danger of Revelation*
- Rabbi Steven Denker, Temple Emanu El: *Automotive Israel: Then, Now, Tomorrow*
- Rabbi Megan Doherty, Director of Hillel & Jewish Campus Life, Oberlin College: *Daf Yomi as Spiritual Practice*
- Rabbi Josh Foster, B'nai Jeshurun Congregation: *Surprising Jewish Communities Around the World*
- Sarah Foster, Akron Coordinator, Hillel at Kent State & Special Initiative Coordinator at Cleveland Hillel: *Why Dairy on Shavuot?*
- Cheryl Gordon, Jewish Educator, MAT-MSJS: *How to Argue Jewishly*
- Rabbanit Amalia Haas: *Womanhood, Shame & Vulnerability in the Book of Ruth*
- Bob Jacob, Cleveland Jewish News: *How the CJN Engaged the Community and Grew Audience during the COVID-19 Pandemic*
- Rabbi Enid Lader, Beth Israel-The West Temple: *Empathy for Others in Biblical Commentary*
- Rabbi Melinda Mersack, Director of jHUB: *Grandparenting Interfaith Grandchildren: A Cross-Generational Conversation*
- Hedy Milgrom, Senior Development Officer at Jewish Federation of Cleveland: *Challah Bake-a-Long with Savta Hedy*
- Judge Dan Polster: *Freedom and Responsibility: Moses as a Paradigmatic Leader: A Textual Analysis*
- Rabbi Scott Roland, Shaarey Tikvah Congregation: *Revelation: If We Were All There, Then What Happened?*
- Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria, B'nai Jeshurun Congregation: *The David Rules: Lessons from King David & Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion*
- Rabbi Michael Ungar, Beth El-The Heights Synagogue: *Jewish Truth in the Post-Truth Period*
- Rabbi Stephen Weiss, B'nai Jeshurun Congregation: *Are Vaccines Required by Jewish Law?*

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Donations should be designated for the Tikkun Leil Shavuot Study Session Fund and made
c/o B'nai Jeshurun Congregation, 27501 Fairmount Blvd., Pepper Pike, OH 44124 or go to <https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/donate>.

SHAVUOT NIGHT LIVE (SNL) • May 16 • 7:30 pm - 2:00 am

Multiple Zoom Rooms • 16 Presenters • Study through the Night

Pre-registration required to join Zoom or live stream by May 16 at Noon.

Registration - <https://cutt.ly/Shavuot-Night-Live-Registration>

Session 1 - 7:30 - 8:20 pm

(Candlelighting will take place in each session at 8:20 pm)

- Cantor Aaron Shifman, B'nai Jeshurun Congregation: *Practical Teachings of Reb Nachman to Enhance our Lives*
- Rabbi Elyssa Austerklein, Beth El Congregation, Akron: *DIY Pop-Up Shavuot Art*
Register for materials by May 7; pick-up will be at B'nai Jeshurun and Beth El, Akron: <https://cutt.ly/pop-up-Shavuot-art>
- Jay Leberman, Head of School, Joseph & Florence Mandel Jewish Day School: *Doing the Right Thing! Derech Eretz or Jewish Law*

Session 2 - 8:30 - 9:20 pm

- Professor Doron Kalir, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law: *The Golden Calf - Then & Now*
- Rabbi Michael Ross, Temple Beth Shalom & Senior Jewish Educator, Hillel at Kent State: *Re-imagining the Covenant*
- Susan Wyner, Retired Director of Learning Enrichment, USCJ: *Women and Scholarship in Jewish Tradition*

Ma'ariv Festival Evening Service - 9:30 pm

- Welcome and Acknowledgements by Harriet Rosenberg Mann, Chair

Session 3 - 10:00 - 10:50 pm

- Rabbi Josh Foster, B'nai Jeshurun Congregation: *Most Interesting Synagogues Around the World*
- Rabbi Peter Haas, CWRU Professor Emeritus: *Reading Ruth*
- Rabbi Steve Segar, Kol HaLev: *The Status of Science in Jewish Thought*
- Yoshi Silverstein, Founder & Executive Director, Mitsui Collective: *Movement & Embodied Torah - Receiving the Wisdom of our Bodies*

Session 4 - 11:00 - 11:50 pm

- Rabbi Stephen Weiss, B'nai Jeshurun Congregation: *Unlocking the Power of Prayer in the Teachings of Rav Kook*
- Rabbi Alan Lettowsky: *Revelation in the Talmud*
- Elise Braverman-Plotkin, MA Talmud, JTS: *The Revelation at Sinai: What Was the Experience Like?*

Session 5 - 12:00 - 12:50 am

- Dr. Dale Levy: *Is Reason Compatible With Faith?*
- Jerry Isaak-Shapiro, Executive Director of American Friends of Kidum: *Our Greatest King: A Poet and a Warrior*

Session 6 - 1:00 - 1:50 am

- Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria, B'nai Jeshurun Congregation: *Proverbs: A Jewish Guide to a Good End*



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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>.

The Mystical Secrets of God, the Soul and the Universe - Part 2 of *Neffesh Ha-Chayyim* with Rabbi Stephen Weiss

Mondays • 8 pm

No prior knowledge of *Kabbalah* or of *Neffesh Ha-Chayyim* is necessary. Learn how we can achieve spiritual union with God and draw Divine light and energy into our souls and our world. <https://zoom.us/j/95702368445>.

Bible Study with Susan Wyner

Tuesdays • 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>.

Mishnah: The New Scripture with Rabbi Alan Lettofsky

Wednesdays • 10:30 am

Most Jewish institutions and values, while based on the Bible, were created by the ancient rabbis. The *Mishnah* and its expansion into the full *Talmud* are the core texts for our Jewish foundations.

<https://zoom.us/j/408458674>.

Kosher Fitness with Rabbi Michael Ungar

Wednesdays • 1 pm

Join Certified Personal Trainer (and Rabbi!) Michael Ungar for a weekly 45-50 minute workout - appropriate for all levels; no need for special equipment since we will use objects you already have at home!

<https://zoom.us/j/98278241024>.

Ethical & Ritual Issues Through the Lens of Conservative Jewish Law with Rabbi Stephen Weiss

Thursdays • noon

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>.

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Tuesdays • 2 pm

All are welcome to join us for a weekly check-in and conversation with the clergy who will rotate weeks. <https://zoom.us/j/94801989217>.

Mazal Tov to

- **Kelly & Viktor Kitsis** on the birth of a daughter, **Aviva Rose Kitsis**.
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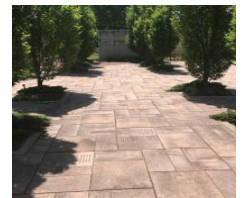
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