Welcome to B’nai Jeshurun Congregation
David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary

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

A voice is heard in Ramah, Rachel weeping for her children. She refuses to be comforted. Thus says the Lord: Refrain your voice from weeping and your eyes from tears.

There is hope for the future.

- Jeremiah

Rabbi Stephen Weiss, Senior Rabbi
Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria
Cantor Aaron Shifman
Education Engagement Rabbi Josh Foster
Rabbi Emeritus Stanley J. Schachter
President Gena Cohen
Executive Director Jay Ross

Your presence adds to the joy of our service!
The flowers on the bima are a gift from Ed & Roslyn Kowit and Flo Chelm in memory of their devoted father, Jack Kowit.

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April 26/27 - 22 Nisan 5779

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Thank you to Ben Huston, Sasha Huston, Shulamith Erenberg, Susan Gottlieb, Shani Kadis, Debbie Ornstein, Alan Lichtin and Adina Gwartzman for reading Torah and Jerry Gideon for chanting the Haftorah.

Our Starbucks, Matzah & Torah teacher this week is Susan Wyner. Thank you to Judy Riga for preparing the refreshments.


Thank you to our Board member on the bima Suan Nash, and our greeters and ushers: David Cohen, Maury Greenstein, Dan Jacobs, Harriet Rosenberg Mann, Paula Schaffer-Polakov and Daniel Umansky.

Following the Benediction, please join us for kiddush in Gross Atrium, sponsored by the Officers and Board of Trustees.

DAILY MINYAN

MONDAY - THURSDAY 7:00 am & 7:30 am & 6:00 pm
FRIDAY 7:00 am & 7:30 am & 6:00 pm (unless otherwise noted)
SATURDAY 9:00 am & 6:00 pm
SUNDAY & HOLIDAYS 8:00 am & 6:00 pm
Dedication of Memorial Plaques
In Loving Memory:

HELEN DRAEGIN
MORRIS DRAEGIN
EUGENE FARKAS
ROSA LAX FARKAS
ROSE BRENNER KANTER
RUTH KOWAY
DOROTHY KURTZ
LUCILLE MANDEL
NORMAN R. NASH
FRANCES NASH
ANN PLATT
MILDRED STEIN
LEONARD STEIN
DIANE HARRIET WEISS

Dessert with Magen David Adom
Sunday, April 28 • 1:30 - 2:30 pm • BJC Parking Lot

Join us as we tour the brand new Magen David Adom ambulance for Israel sponsored by the Cleveland Jewish community before it makes its way to Israel. Take the opportunity to write thank-you notes to Israeli paramedics. The event is free; Ben & Jerry’s ice cream will be available for purchase. No RSVP required. Contact Darcee Kwain Cohen (dcohen@afmda@org or 216-233-1595) for more information.

At The Crossroads: Jewish Law for Our Time
Weekly Lunch & Learn
Commerce Park IV (corner of Chagrin and Green) Room 130
Thursdays • 12:10 - 1 pm

Bring a brown bag lunch and join Rabbi Weiss or Rabbi Rudin-Luria for a lively study of Talmud and Responsa (Jewish Law) examining what Judaism has to say about contemporary issues. Topics covered include personal, business, legal and medical ethics as well as areas of Jewish belief and ritual. Each session is complete in itself. To be on the group’s mailing list, please contact David Shifrin (semaninc@ameritech.net).
B’nai Jeshurun is pleased to host this year’s community program. Please join us for Yom Hashoah v’Hagvurah, Cleveland’s commemoration of the Holocaust and Heroism. The theme of this year’s program is “What Happened After.” It will feature a moving candle lighting ceremony with survivors and their families, a procession of Holocaust-era Torah scrolls, readings by winners of the annual creative arts contest, and special recognition of Holocaust educators.

No RSVP needed. For more information, contact Debbie Klein (dklein@jcfcleve.org or 216-593-2834).

Join us for Israel’s Memorial Day commemoration in Stonehill Auditorium. The JCC is located at 26001 S. Woodland Rd., Beachwood.

Celebrate Israel’s 71st Independence Day featuring performances by Capaim and Eran Biderman. Enjoy Israeli wine tasting, kids’ activities for all ages, delicious kosher food for sale and shopping at the Israeli marketplace (shuk). Free and open to the community. Landerhaven is located at 6111 Landerhaven Dr., Mayfield Heights.

Registration required for the above two events at www.jewishcleveland.org.

May 2: Hundred Blessings Daily - How do we fulfill the Rabbinic mandate of the 100 Blessings? - An explanation of the majority of the blessings and their sources.

May 9: The Four Jewish New Years – An explanation using Rabbinic and Midrashic sources explaining each New Year and the relevance to us now.

May 16: The Ramban’s Letter to His Son - After Nachmanides was expelled from Spain, he wrote a letter to his son on how to live his life in a moral and ethical way, and by doing so find favor in G-d’s eyes.
B’nai Jeshurun is now participating in Amazon Smile! When you shop on Amazon Smile, 0.5% of your purchase will be donated to B’nai Jeshurun. This perk is a great and easy way to give back to the shul effortlessly. To learn more and sign up, visit bnaijeshurun.org/amazon, or simply switch your designation to B’nai Jeshurun if you already participate.
Office Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help at the front desk with lunchtime relief. Times can be arranged to conveniently fit your schedule. Both men and women are welcome. We guarantee a friendly, rewarding environment. Please contact Marilyn Greenwald (440-449-2449 or marilynandstuart@gmail.com).

153rd Annual Meeting
Sunday, May 5 • 7 pm

Mazal tov to our awardees:
Nancy Tresser Lipko
Joseph M. Lomberg Award for Outstanding Individual Service

Terry & Moris Amon
Rabbi Rudolph M. Rosenthal Outstanding Family Award

Voting will take place from 9 am – noon.

Kosher Food Pantry
Sunday, May 5 • 9:30 am

Sort and pack food at the pantry that will go to Jewish families in need. Everyone volunteering should be over the age of 7. The pantry is located at 2004 S. Green Rd., South Euclid. Please note: We are volunteering the first Sunday for the month of May.

Shabbat Rocks!
Fridays at 7 pm
May 17, June 21, July 19 and August 16

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

Bring your families to this wonderful evening, with a live band playing some of today’s most upbeat Jewish music. You will find yourself tapping your toes, clapping your hands and dancing to these contemporary melodies. Multiple musical genres are woven through the service, highlighting text from each of the Psalms, which creates an energizing and engaging service. A special prayer book offers Hebrew, transliteration and English to make this service user friendly. Listen to and download tracks from our website. Services will be held in the Linden Family Courtyard, weather permitting.
Rabbi Daniel Goldfarb, who served as CY Director from 2000-2013, wrote the following for Torah Sparks in 2016, and it applies this year as well.

This Shabbat, synagogues in Israel and those in the Diaspora will part company, as far as the Torah readings are concerned. This is because in Israel Pesach ends on Friday, and thus on Shabbat we will read Aharei Mot from the regular Torah cycle. But in the Diaspora Shabbat is Yom Tov Shenii shel Galuyot, the second day of Shevi’i shel Pesach, so the Torah reading there will be for Hag (Festival), Deut. 14:22-16:17. The regular readings will resume with Aharei Mot next week, May 7, when in Israel, we'll already be reading Parashat Kedoshim. Indeed Israel will continue to be a week ahead until all meet again on August 6, when Diaspora synagogues will catch up by combining two sidras (readings), Matot and Masei.

Gaps in the Torah readings are fairly common, in fact in most years, but they are usually shorter, namely six weeks. This happens in two cases. The first is when Shavuot falls on a Friday, which means that the next day (Shabbat) is a regular day in Israel but still Yom Tov in the Diaspora, and we rejoin six weeks later when Hukkat and Balak are combined in the Diaspora. The goal here is to enable all to read Parashat Ve’etchanan right after Tisha b'Av, as prescribed by Maimonides.

The other six-week gap comes in a regular, twelve-month, year when the 8th day of Pesach (in the Diaspora only, of course) falls on Shabbat, and we come together when Behar and Behukotai are combined in the Diaspora, so that all will be reading Bamidbar before Shavuot. This is based on a ruling in the Talmud (Megilla 31b) that we read the Curses of Behukotai (Lev. 26) before Shavuot and those of Ki Tavo (Deut. 28) before Rosh Hashana, so we enter the New Year "with the bad things behind us." (Shavuot is also considered a New Year for this purpose, Mishna Rosh Hashana 1:2). Tosafot said we should add another Shabbat as a "buffer" between the portions with the Curses and those holidays, and that has been adopted, which is why Bamidbar generally precedes Shavuot and Nitzavim (or Nitzavim/Vayelech) precedes Rosh Hashana.

But in a leap year (13 months, with a second month of Adar) in which Pesach ends on Friday in Israel and on Shabbat elsewhere, as the current year, the gap runs 15 weeks, right up till a week before Shabbat Devarim before 9th Av. This year is notable also because in Israel at least, it has 53 Shabbats available for regular Torah readings, the most that can happen and so there are no combined readings here this year (the 54th parashah, VeZot HaBracha, is read on Simchat Torah, never as a regular Shabbat reading). The extra Shabbats from the "leap" month mean that Naso is read in Israel before Shavuot, while the Diaspora that Shabbat reads Bamidbar, as Tosafot prescribed. It is not clear why the Diaspora does not rejoin the Israeli cycle three weeks earlier by combining Hukkat and Balak, as happens in non-leap years with Pesach over on Friday (or Shabbat), but such has been the custom for centuries.
On the Seventh Day of Pesach, a week into freedom, we read about an event that, according to tradition, took place on that day: Crossing the Red Sea. Our reading (Exodus 13:17-15:26) starts the story of the Israelites at the point that they had left Egypt. On the 8th day we read about the holidays.

1. Escaping from Egypt into the desert, the Israelites need guidance. They receive it as God goes before them in a cloud during the day and a pillar of fire at night. Other than the practical aspect of showing the physical route, what do you think that the cloud and fire do for them?

2. Pharaoh and the Egyptians were very eager to get rid of the Israelites on the night of the Exodus (as we read last week), yet now they decided to give chase and return them to slavery. How do you explain such a change of heart (and short memory)?

3. The crossing of the Red Sea and the elimination of the great Egyptian army might elicit reactions not only from the Israelites that were saved. The Midrash tells us that the angels wished to praise God as well, but were rebuked: "My creations are drowning in the sea, and you are saying an [exulting] song?" (TB Megillah 10b). What conflict in the situation is the Midrash pointing out? *Can you think of other places were the Midrash brings a similar dilemma?

4. On the 8th day of Pesach we read from Deut. 15:19-16:17. The first holiday mentioned in this section is Pesach (16:1-8). We are given the reason for the Pesach as 'for you left the Land of Egypt in a hurry, so you shall remember the day of exiting Egypt all the days of your life.' What do you think is the value in leaving in a hurried manner?

5. Unlike the Pesach of Egypt, here the Torah demands that everyone comes to 'the place that God has chosen' for the Pesach sacrifice. What might be the reason for the different modes of observance given in Shemot (which we read last week) and here, in Devarim, as spoken by Moshe to the people before entering the land?

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**Kiddush or Oneg Sponsorships**

The mitzvah of a donation for sponsorship of a kiddush or oneg is a beautiful way to share the happiness of your milestone or remember a loved one with the congregation. Sponsorships are acknowledged in the Shabbat handout and in *Tidings*. The cost of a kiddush is $500 and an oneg is $250; partial sponsorships are available and they are tax deductible. Please contact Paula Botkin.

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We welcome your children in the Main Sanctuary!
MISHABERAH
JAYDEN BARBER
FRUMA BAT JANETTE
YISRAEL BEN MEIRA
MATANA DVORAH BAT SARAH
DINA RIVKA BAT LEAH
GITTEL CHANA BAT ESTHER
MASHA TSIRIL BAT BASHA
YAKOV BEN MIRIAM
RONI BEN RACHEL
RAISEL MALKA BAT FREDAS
TOVA BAT SARAH GITTEL
AVRUM REUVAIN BEN NAOMI
YAKOV BEN SARAH
DANIEL BEN LEAH
ZELDA BRACHA BAT MINA
ZALMAN SHMUEL DOV BEN
RUVENA SHIFRA
KETURAH BAT SARAH
MESHELEM BEN RACHEL
NOACH YA’ARI BEN SARAH
ADIRA BAT RUCHEL
SARA CHAYA BAT DEVORAH
AVRAHAM BEN SARAH
EZRA SHAMIR BEN SIMCHA
SURA TOBA BAT JOSEF ZWI
RACHEL LEAH BAT DEVORAH
REUVEN BEN ADELINE
MALKA BAT RAISA
MORT YUSSEL BEN RIVKA
AVRAM DAVID BEN DINAH
BEN-TZION PESACH BEN
SHAINDEL CHAYAH
SHANDEL BRACHA BAT ESTHER
MASAHIRO UENO
HADR MIRIAM BAT ESTHER
MICHAL VERED TOVA BAT SARAH GILA
SARAH GILA BAT LEAH
PINHAS SIMCHA BEN PNINA
ADIN RONEN BEN SARAH GILA
HAYA TZIPPORAH BAT ITTA
YAKOV ELIYAHU BEN GALIA
MASHA BAT HEINCHA
PEREL SARAH BAT DVORAH
MALKA BAT BATYA
MORDECHAI DOVID BEN LEAH
MIMI DORF
SHAINA LIEBE BAT CHAVA MIRYAM
ZLATE FEIGA BAT CHAYA
YENTEL SURAH BAT MARIAM PESSEL
RAPHAEI BEN MASHA GOLDA
MIRIAM BAT RUCHEL
MARY ELIZABETH GREENE
YONKEL MOSHE BEN LEAH
HAYA SORA BAT LEAH
LIBBY GOLDIE BAT SHAINA MALKA
ITTA BAT ESTHER
SHLOMO FEIVEL BEN KAYLA
DAVID SHIMON BEN RENAH
LEIBUSH BEN SHPRINTZE LEAH
SARAH BAT ROIZA
BOB ALTMIRE
ARIELLA CHANA BAT SARAH
HARAV YITZHAK MICHAEL BEN DINA
AARON ERI BEN TOBA LEAH
RIFKAH BAT BASYA
YOCHEVET BAT FRIEDA
SHALOM MENASHE BEN NECHA
AARON BEN YEHUDIT BATYA
YAKOV BEN HANA SORA
ZEV YITZCHAK BEN RISYA
LEAH BAT ZEESALA
BASSI BAT SHIFRA
MEIR FEIVEL BEN SARAH DEVORAH
BLUMA ZISSEL BAT RACHEL
HASKEL TZVI BEN MALKA
MARIE BAT MARIE
TZIVIA AVIVA BAT MINDEL HANA
MINDEL HANNA BAT RACHEL
REUVEN BEN HELAYNE
WAYNE EHRMAN
CHAYA RAZEL BAT LEAH
AVRAHAM SHMUEL BEN ZENDEL
SHIMON WOLFE BEN ZELDA
YAKOV MOSHE BEN TZIPORAH
CHAIM BEN PNINA
SHALOM LEIB BEN SIMA
MATTITYAHU MOSHE BEN PEGGY
MEIR AARON BEN HANNAH MALCHA
GERSHON BEN HANA
CHANAH BAT SARAH
HANOCH YITZHAK BEN SARAH
ADAM DEAL
SYBIL FEIGHTNER
SHIMALA ALTA BAT LEAH
SARA BAT AIDL
ESTHER NECHA BAT SHEVA
DOVID SHMUEL BEN MIRIAM
CYNTHIA BAT CONSTANCE
RAANAN BEN BERTHA
MASHA BAT PESHKE
YISSUR PINCUS BEN CHAVA PESSAR
MARA ZISA BAT GITTEL MAYA
MARIA WELLER
MORDECHAI BEN HAYA BLUMA
RACHEL BAT LILLIAN
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 Shalom (216-831-6555 ext. 104 or dianeshalom@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.

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SHABBAT TOGETHER
Friday Evening, May 10
Experience Shabbat with your BJC family!

Join us as we strengthen the connections among our congregational family by enjoying a Shabbat dinner together in our homes. This program is open to the entire congregation. You may be a HOST, by opening your home to others, or be a GUEST at a fellow congregant’s home. You may also choose to GIVE a gift, to support others this year and for years to come.

Build Our Community One Home at a Time.

Learn more and register by May 3 and www.bnaijeshurun.org/shabbattogether or contact Shani Kados.
What’s Coming Up

Tuesdays 10:30 am  Torah Study with Susan Wyner
Fridays 10:15 am  Kinder Shabbat & Open Playroom
Saturdays 9:00 am  Starbucks, Bread (Matzah) & Torah

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Saturday, April 27 - 8th day Pesach
  9:00 am  Festival & Shabbat Service; Yizkor
  11:00 am  Children’s Programming during Yizkor
  6:00 pm  Mincha
  9:04 pm  Pesach ends - if you sold your hametz through the shul, you may eat it right away, as the sale reverts immediately

Sunday, April 28
  11:00 am  Mahj, Mimosas & Bagels
  1:30 pm  AFMDA Ambulance in BJC parking lot
  7:00 pm  Park Men’s Club Yom HaShoah documentary and panel discussion with Perry Brickman, the ADL and Hillel; $10pp; RSVP Rogerskramer@gmail.com; pay at parkmensclub.org

Wednesday, May 1
  7:00 pm  Yom HaShoah Community Event @BJC

Thursday, May 2 - Yom HaShoah
  10:00 am  Hazak Academy with Cantor Shifman

Friday, May 3
  7:00 pm  Service; Zamir Choir; Birthday Shabbat; Nerissa Darvin & Michael Taub Aufruf
  8:15 pm  Marcus Guest Scholar Talk

Saturday, May 4
  9:00 am  Service; Marcus Guest Scholar Talk
  12:00 pm  Congregational Luncheon
  1:00 pm  Marcus Guest Scholar Talk

Sunday, May 5 - Rosh Hodesh Iyar
  8:30 am  Montefiore 5K Run/Walk @Ursuline
  9:00 am - noon Voting
  9:30 am  Cheshed @Kosher Food Pantry
  7:00 pm  Annual Meeting

Monday, May 6 - Rosh Hodesh Iyar

Tuesday, May 7
  7:00 pm  Yom HaZikaron Service @JCC

Please respect the sanctity of our services and those around you by turning off your mobile devices.
Condolences to:
Risa Dunn, Zoe Halpern, Malva Dunn & families on the death of their husband, father and son-in-law, our member, Scott Halpern
Chris Auerbach-Brown & family on the death of his father, Douglas Brown
Pinky Levy, Gregg Levy, Marne Baerson & families on the death of their sister and aunt, Jacqueline Friedman
Sima Zucker, Randi Harris & families on the death of their sister and aunt, Sandy Eisen

Yahrzeits: April 27 - May 3, 2019

If you would like a name read from this week’s yahrzeit list and have not already informed the office, please notify one of the ushers.