24th February 2017 - 28th Shvat 5777





Beit Knesset Moreshet Yisrael, Jerusalem בית כנסת מורשת ישראל, ירושלים

Visitors: Please inform the Gabbai on duty of you are a Cohen or bat Cohen, Levi or bat Levi.

PARSHAT MISHPATIM - פרשת משפטים PARSHAT SHEKALIM - פרשת שקלים שבת מברכים - SHABBAT MEVARACHIM

SHALOM AND WELCOME

... to Jerusalem's premier egalitarian Masorti (Conservative) synagogue. Beit Knesset Moreshet Yisrael is made up of English speaking olim and native Israelis. Locals and tourists attend our shul on weekdays, shabbatot, and chagim. Our worldwide Friends Of Moreshet network gives the opportunity for Jews in all countries to have membership in a captivating Israeli Beit Knesset.

Conservative Judaism is intended to be the nexus between Jewish tradition and the modern world...

Beit Knesset Moreshet Yisrael is that meeting place.

פרשת משפטים - PARSHAT MISHPATIM

וְלַכְּיכָּהָ אִישׁ אֶתּר.עִין עַבְּדוֹ, אוֹ-אֶתּר.עִין אֶמָתוֹ--וְשְׁחֲתָה: לְחָפְשִׁי יְשִׁלְחָנוֹ, וַאָּם־שׁׁ עִּבְּדוֹ אוֹ-שׁׁן אֶמְתוֹ, יַפִּיל--לַחְפְּשִׁי יְשִׁלְחָנוֹ, -- And if a man smite the eye of his bondman, or the eye of his bondwoman, and destroy it, he shall let him go free for his eye's sake. And if he smite out his bondman's tooth, or his bondwoman's tooth, he shall let him go free for his tooth's sake. (Exodus 21:26, 27) Strange that the Torah would explicate that damage to these two body parts sets a slave free. The Gemara expounds on these verses by teaching that there are 24 other body parts for which their loss elicits a slave's freedom – digits on hands and feet, ears, nose, and sexual organ. Still, how are we to understand that the loss of a tooth sets a slave free? Ibn Ezra (Spain 12th century) teaches that the Torah is forbidding a person to be a slave under a cruel master who would hit with such intensity as to cause the loss of a non-regenerative body part. Why a loss of tooth or eye instead of bruising? As each person bruises and tolerates pain differently, the Torah brings an objective, measurable definition of cruelty: slave masters are warned not to beat a servant, for even a mild strike may cause a tooth to fall out – a fallen tooth means a servant's freedom. Why not the measure of a broken bone? X-ray machines were hard to come by 3,000 years ago.... Rabbi Adam Frank

OUR SERVICE TIMES Daily Shacharit Services Sunday – Friday 7:30 a.m.

Friday, February 24th Kabbalat Shabbat & Maariv 5:25 p.m.

> Services led by: Saralee Shrell-Fox

Saturday, February 25th Shacharit 8:30 a.m.



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TEFILAH LED BY: Sam Blustin

BA'AL KOREH: David Prawer

HAFTARAH READER: Rabbi Ehud Bandel

SERVICES LED BY: Rabbi Ehud Bandel



SHABBAT KIDDUSH
Sponsored by:
Gila Lewis Seitz & a
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SHABBAT Candlelighting 4:57 pm



HAVDALAH Motzei Shabbat 6:10pm

THANK YOU:

Gila Lewis Seitz for co-sponsoring the kiddush in loving memory of Rabbi Albert Lewis z"l and in honor of her friend, Harriet Baker.

Roberta Rosenfeld for sponsoring the flowers this Shabbat in appreciation of Moreshet Yisrael.

YARTZEITS OBSERVED DURING THE WEEK ENDING 3rd March 2017

25-Feb-17	29 Shevat	Lillian Schrader	Wife of Malcolm Schrader
26-Feb-17	30 Shevat 5737	Florence Nelson	Wife of Zev Nelson
27-Feb-17	1 Adar II 5776	Esther Porath	Mother of Jonathan Porath
28-Feb-17	2 Adar I 5769	Albert Sharon	Father of Rabbi Avinoam Sharon
28-Feb-17	2 Adar	Gwen Herman	Mother of Alex Friedman-Natan
1-Mar-17	3 Adar II	Aaron Matlow	Father of Irving Matlow
1-Mar-17	3 Adar 5743	Violeta Vilkina	Mother-in-law of Sam Copeland
2-Mar-17	4Adar 5771	Stephen Goodbaum	Son of Beverley & Mottle Goodbaum
3-Mar-17	5 Adar I	Lily Stone	Wife of Alfred Stone



Rosh Chodesh Adar

Sunday, February 26th & Monday, February 27th



מזל טוב

MAZAL TOV TO:

All our March Birthdays: Donald Skupsky (2nd), Roberta Rosenfeld (5th), Arthur Flicker (6th), Irene Shirun (6th), Anat Rubinstein (10th), Ruth Dran (13th), Harold Goldstein (17th), Larry Magid (23rd), Marcie Storch (26th), Saul Twicken (26th), Kayla Ship (27th), Helena Mass-Waysenson (30th).

SHABBAT WALKING TOURS WITH MORESHET YISRAEL

SHABBAT 4th MARCH

Free walking tours with Tour Guide Ruth Frank after Shacharit/Kiddush (11/11:15 a.m. approx) on the first shabbat of every month Duration 1 hr. Wheelchair accessible.

UNIFORMITY & DIVERSITY

Rehavia was home to pre-state Jewish leadership. It expanded south and west to Ben Maimon and Alfassi streets. It reached a very different neighborhood, Talbieh - home to the wealthy Christian Arab elite of Jerusalem that flourished here during the Mandatory period of 1920s - 40s - including Balfour St. and the Wingate Circle of today.



Ruth Frank is a licensed tour guide living in Jerusalem for 15 years. Born in New York City, she is a graduate of The Jewish Theological Seminary and a life-long student of Jewish History.

Please call the office to register for this free tour - 02 625 3539 Minimum number of 4 participants needed.

In the case of rain, an alternative talk will be given at Moreshet Yisrael

Our New Va'ad Member – Ari Newman

Raised in Providence, Rhode Island, Ari Newman is a film producer, lecturer, writer, amateur gourmet chef, and a community activist for which he was honored with the first Charlotte Bloomberg Award presented to him in 1993 by Mayor Michael Bloomberg. During his senior year at Boston University he produced his first feature film, *Squeeze*, for Miramax Films which was nominated for an Independent Spirit Award. His films have appeared at countless international film festivals including the famous acquisition at the Sundance Film Festival, when *Next Stop Wonderland* was sold to Miramax Films for one of the largest sums ever paid for a Sundance film. Ari made Aliyah seven years ago.

We welcome Ari on his election to Beit Knesset Moreshet Yisrael's Va'ad and look forward to having his fresh eyes and ears as we all continue our work on the community's behalf.



For Our Sanctuary Library



We are now accepting <u>VERY EASY</u> books in both Hebrew and English, to occupy young readers when they are at our synagogue with their caregivers.



Thank you.

For Example: Aleph-Bet-Gimmel

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

We welcome everyone to our services and our beautiful sanctuary, to Jerusalem and to Israel... Come often...

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Single Membership (per year) \$225 Family Membership (per year) \$375 (NIS equivalent on the day – per each membership, per year)

OVERSEAS FRIEND - 5777 / 2016 - 2017

UNITED STATES

Honorary \$225 (per year)

*Patron \$395 (per year) *Benefactor

*Trustee

*Life Member

\$795 (per year)

\$1,650 (per year)

\$2,700

CANADA

The Canadian equivalent of the appropriare U.S. \$ amount *Indicates these memberships entitle members to High Holy Day seats

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OFFICE HOURS

Sunday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Closed Friday