Beth Jacob Synagogue October 20, 2025 Weekly Announcements





This Week's Services

Thursday morning Minyan —Postponed for Now Friday night, 6:00 pm —Live + ZOOM Shabbat morning prayer service, 10:00 am—Live + Zoom

At the conclusion of services, we will have our enhanced, gourmet Kiddush and luncheon.

A Message from your Shabbat Gabbi"

This week we continue our triennial reading from the Book of Genesis, Parshah Noah, The Great Flood. Ten generations after Adam and Eve we meet Noah who is the only righteous person of the generation. Everyone else is not honest; they stole, robbed and told lies. They were wicked and did not follow in God's ways. God told Noah that he was going to destroy the world by bringing a great flood and told Noah to build an Ark, a "teivah" where he and his family could escape the flood. God tells Noah to take a male and female of every single type of animal (and food) into the ark and then water begins to fall. The rain becomes a flood which lasts 40 days and 40 nights. The entire world is covered in water and everything is destroyed. The ark settles on Mount Ararat and Noah after sending out a few flying animals has a dove return with an olive branch showing the earth has dried. God commands them to exit the ark, Noah builds an altar and offers sacrifices to God. For those with access to a copy of the Etz Hayim (or any other volume that contains the Five Books of Moses), the triennial reading can be found starting at Chapter 6, Verse 9 on Page 41 of the Etz Hayim. The weekly reading concludes on page 48 at the end of

Essential Kabbalah

Our bi-weekly class reading and reviewing Daniel Matt's book, *The Essential Kabbalah*, continues this Thursday, October 23, at its usual 4:00 pm (ZOOM and in person), and 7:30 pm (ZOOM only). ZOOM and reading information will be sent to the regular participants separately today. If you think you might be interested in joining our group, this is an opportune time as we move into the heart of the *Sefirot* and what they mean individually.

And beginning with our next class on November 6, we will combine the two sessions into a ZOOM only class starting at 7:30 pm start, as we move through the winter period with its early nightfall.

High Holy Day Meeting

As previously announced, we will be having a meeting with all those interested in sharing their assessment of the recent High Holy Day services, and what they might like to see in the future. It is scheduled for **ZOOM only tonight**, **October 20**, at 7:00 pm, at the link below. For those who cannot attend but who have ideas they wish to share can reach out to me separately, before or after the meeting date and time (and thank you to those who have already sent me their comments):

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6489793234? pwd=SmdLZkNMQnIvaThUOW9MTFZOMjhkZz09&omn=87 104053587

Meeting ID: 648 979 3234

Passcode: 187502

Haftarah

We have resumed the regular reading of the *Haftarah* under the auspices of the Conservative movement's revision of the *Haftarah* institution.

First, to parallel the triennial Torah reading, there is now a triennial cycle of *Haftarah* readings, some of which follow the prior schedule and some of which are entirely new. And just as the triennial Torah readings are shorter than the annual readings, the triennial *Haftarah* readings are also shorter. And with that feature, we are hopeful of developing a cadre of *Haftarah* chanters at Beth Jacob who can lead this part of the service. We have reached out to those whom we believe are already capable of participating. If we have not reached out to you, or if you would like to be trained to learn this 'Bar/Bat Mitzvah skill,' please see Rav Julius.

For example, the following is a listing of the *Haftarot* for the next few weeks, and the amount of reduction in verses compared to the annual reading of the *Haftarot*:

October 25 *Noah* Isaiah 54:11-55:5

(12, instead of 26 verses)

November 1 Lekh Lecha Judges 6: 24-32

(9, instead of 30 verses)

(Rabbi to provide a copy of the new Haftarah)

November 8 Vayera II Kings 4: 8-17

(10, instead of 37 verses)

November 15 Chayei Sarah Isaiah 51: 1-11

(11, instead of 31 verses)

Would you like to participate, or find out how you can?

OCTOBER 2025 YAHRZEITS

October 21 29 Tishri

Benjamin Lahn Arlene Shapiro —

Sister-in-Law of Marc Kashar

Isadore Seikowitz

Samuel Tashman

Betty Schwartz

October 22 30 Tishri

Theodore Engel Harold Welling

October 23 1 Heshvan

Rebecca Sara Snitkin

Barnett Goldblatt

October 24 2 Heshvan

Karol Glick

Rudolph Herschel

Milton Foster

Julie Kenig

Jennie Swartz

October 25 3 Heshvan

Clara Kaplan Markoff

Necha Stein

October 26 4 Heshvan

Leonard Zuckerbraun—

Father of Dr. Joel Zuckerbraun

Bessie Tashman —

Grandmother of Brian Burchman

Jack Berk

Sandy Block

Chayye Ida Toba Rutchik

October 27 5 Heshvan

Dorothy Goldblatt —

Mother of Michael Goldblatt and

Ellen DeLeon

Freida Kosansky

October 29 7 Heshvan

Helen Krawiec —

Mother-in-Law of Marc Kashar

Freda Bruckner

May Friedman —

Mother of Larry Friedman

October 30 8 Heshvan

Huga Herman

Chaim Cooper

Grandfather of Irene Schienberg

Florence Levine

October 31 9 Heshvan

Louis Rosenberg

Dr. Paul Schwartz

Miriam Mandel Cohen

Ruby Fox —

Father of Kim Brissette

Mishebeirach

Bernee Vasquez Kapili

Beth Camassar

Billy Maynard

Bonnie Curkin

Emma Fries

Shirley Christian

Seth Curkin

Rabbi Gary Atkins

Jenn Rockwell

Jeremy Federman

Marvin Levine

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Pamela Magliano Cannata

Patricia Tilley

Tiffany Gravel

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Ahoova Hana bat Gila

Chaim ben Libba

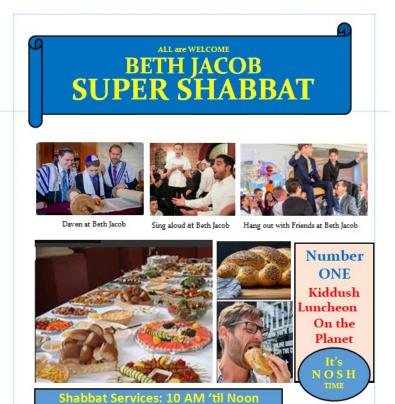
Michal ben Sarah

Moshe Ben Rochel

Tzvi ben Basha

Yosefah Chaya bat Leah

Kashruth observed



NOSH Time: Noon until you're stuffed COME ANY TIME— LEAVE ANY TIME

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