



Weekday Morning and Evening Services — February 12-16

Morning: Sun 8:00 am • M-F 6:30 am

Evening: Sun-Th 5:30 pm

Friday night, February 10

Northside Minyan @ Sudikoff home5:20 pm
1209 Shattuck Ave (east side of street, past Oak Park, near Eunice)
Shabbat Candle Lighting5:25 pm



Tu B'Shvat Seder סדר ט"ו בשבט
A feast for the senses and the spirit
The CBI community is warmly invited to a
Tu B'Shvat Shabbat Dinner and Seder

5:30 pm Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat
6:15 pm – Tu B'Shvat Shabbat Dinner and Seder (registration is closed)
\$10 per child, student, & young professional, \$18 per adult, \$50
maximum per family. Register by Tuesday night, February 7
Wine generously donated by Covenant Wines

Saturday, February 11

Morning Service9:15 am
Childcare9:15 am

Torah Reader: Na'aman Kam

Haftorah Reader: David Davis

Sha'daf - Service Page Caller : Steve Silberblatt

Formal Group Time:10:30 am

Kedma (3-5 years old): Natan Kuchar

Tzafona (K-2): Chani Levenberg and Hadassah Zenou

Negba (3rd-5th): TBD

Parent Supervisors: Merav Heshin-Bekenstein & Yehonadav Bekenstein

Tu B'Shvat Seder for CBI Youth 11:15 am

There will be a special Tu B'Shvat Seder for Shabbat groups, downstairs
at Gan, led by Natan Kuchar and our b'not sherut.

Sermon by Rena Rosen: The Ancestor Code

CBI Board Representative: Barbara Budnitz

Shabbat Mincha12:50 pm

Women's Tefillah Mincha w/Torah reading (Yitro)5:00 pm

Torah readers: Cari Jelen, Meena Viswanath, Rebecca Landes

Seudah Shelishit5:15 pm

Women's Tefillah Seudah shelishit5:25 pm

Leaning with Miriam Petruck : "Yitro: An Awesome Father", in
memory of her beloved father and teacher, HaRav Elimelich ben Dov
Bear

Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends6:17 pm

HACHNASSAT ORCHIM

Nechama & Nadav Rappoport

KIDDUSH LUNCH SPONSORS

Rena and Mordy Rosen in honor of the upcoming first yahrzeit of Rena's
father Leon Brickman z"l; The Sandel Family in honor of the third
anniversary of Gaby's bat mitzvah; David E. Davis in honor of the 30th
anniversary of his bar mitzvah at CBI .

Women's Mincha and Seudah Shelishit

Join us for our monthly women's tefillah meeting, including Shabbat
Mincha with Torah reading, followed by women's seudah shelishit and

learning with Miriam Petruck. All are welcome to stay for Ma'ariv and
Havdallah with community.
There are still a number of opportunities to actively participate this year.
To participate by *leyning *gabbaing *leading tefillah *teaching during
seudah shelishit *sponsoring seudah shelishit. Contact M. Victoria Sutton
(maharatvictoria@gmail.com) or Dr. Tamara Beliak (tbeliak@ohds.org)
with any questions or to learn more about Women's Tefillah at CBI.

Future dates:

March 12 (Sun.) - Purim Day, Megillat Esther Women's Reading @ Noon
May 13 - Shabbat Mincha (Behar)

Beth Israel Classes

MONDAY

Daniel & Ezra with M. Victoria Sutton: These narratives tell the story of
the Jewish people between the First and Second Temples. From the
writing on the wall to the lion's den, we will explore the life and times of
the prophet Daniel in the Babylonian court. Next, we turn to Ezra haSofer,
the pivotal figure in returning the people, and Torah, from the Babylonian
exile to Jerusalem. As we journey through this critical time in Jewish
history, we will learn about these amazing figures, their challenges and
choices, and how they can inform our own experiences both in the
Diaspora and in Israel.

M. Victoria Sutton — Mondays @ 12:00 pm.

NCSY LNL – Latte & Learning (for Teens; Grades 9-12): Latte & Learning
brings Judaism to local coffee shops and serves up Torah in a relaxed and
fun setting. LNL is the place for teens to ask questions, voice their
feelings, and connect with each other.

Mondays, 7:30-8:30 p.m. • Starbucks, 2128 Oxford St, Berkeley

MONDAY

Maimonides & Modernity w/Bernie Steinberg: Halakhist, philosopher,
court physician, local and world Jewish communal leader, the Rambam
(Moses Maimonides, 1138-1204) inhabits diverse intellectual, social and
political spaces. His teaching is particularly relevant to the modern
condition when Jews move between a multiplicity of worlds, when they
reject simplistic views of God, ethics, and politics yet seek a life of
purpose, and when the ancient aspiration of Jewish sovereignty has been
actualized in unanticipated and complex ways.

During these sessions, we shall explore the relevance of Maimonides'
thought to pressing themes of the modern condition: The problem of
modern identity; the relationship between theology and ethics; the
tension between faith and politics.

Bernie Steinberg, Director Emeritus, Harvard Hillel, teaches at the
Graduate Theological Union, and Kevah in Berkeley, and M2 The Institute
for Experiential Jewish Education, based in Chicago. He recently wrote an
essay on Maimonides for Oxford University Press Bibliographies.

Bernie Steinberg — Tuesday, February 14, 21, 28 • 7:30-8:30 pm

WEDNESDAY

Midrasha's Tanach and Talmud (for Teens): This course is an informal
but intensive study group focusing on close thematic readings of the
Tanach and Talmud in translation.

Mickey Davis • Wednesday • 4:15-5:45 pm

Please refrain from wearing perfumes or scented products as there are congregants for whom these products
are an irritant due to allergies or as a result of chemotherapy or other medical treatment. Thank you.

Open Sources - Beit Midrash: Learn independently with a *hevruta* (study partner) OR Study the weekly Torah portion with Maharat Victoria Sutton Learners of all levels welcome -- Savor the Soup of the Week as you learn. Want to study with a partner, and not sure where to begin? Contact Maharat Victoria Sutton maharatvictoria@gmail.com with any questions, and we will help you find a partner and get started!
Maharat Victoria Sutton — Wednesdays, 7:30—9:00 pm

Jewish philosophers: The class is currently reading "**A Living Covenant: The Innovative Spirit in Traditional Judaism**" by world-renowned philosopher and social activist, Dr. David Hartman (z"l), the founder of the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem.
Muni Schweig — Wednesdays @ 8:00 pm @ the Schweig home

FRIDAY

Talmudic Wisdom @ 9:00 AM: Join us for a weekly class that explores key *sugyot* (talmudic units) that discuss major Jewish questions of practice and thought.

R. Zac Kamenetz • February 17

M. Victoria Sutton • February 24, March 3, 10, May 5, 12, 19, 26, June 9, 16 • 9:00 am

SATURDAY

Study of *Kima Kima* (Step by Step) by Rabbi Chaim Drukman: *Kima* examines the sources that deal with the redemption of the Jewish people from the Bible, Talmud, Midrashim and the early Rabbinic sources. *Kima Kima* provides deep insights into modern Israeli Orthodox thought and philosophy of delivery from exile to redemption and the important part that the State of Israel has played in this process.

R. David Rue • Saturdays @8:30 am-9:15 am

MISHMASH A one-on-one parent-child learning program. Children in grades 1-8 and their parents are invited to participate. Guidance available in choosing learning materials best suited to each individual need. Mishmash will meet twice a month through March, on Motzei Shabbat, 45 minutes after Shabbat ends. Food and snacks will be served.

Feb 18 6:45 - 8 pm • Mar 4 Siyum! 7-8 pm

Saturday Night Live With Chassidic Masters, as taught by Rabbi Eliahu Klein. Master seminar group text study on the verses of Bo, centered on the teachings of: Rebbi Nachman of Breslov, Rebbi Natan of Breslov, Reb Levi Yitzchak of Berditchev, Reb Mordechai of Ishbitz, Reb Chanoch of Radzin and the Baal Shem Tov. This is an ongoing *shiur* [class] that will meet every other week through the winter months. We will focus on Chassidic commentaries on the weekly Torah portion (this week: Parshat Shemot, beginning of Exodus) and Jewish holidays. Meets at R. Klein's home. Refreshments will be served. Come.

R. Eliahu Klein • Saturday February 18 @ 7:30 pm

EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Beth Israel

Mazal Tov! to grandparents BatSheva & David Miller and Michael & Deborah Sosebee (of Oakland) and new parents Netzach (Miller) and Hannah (Sosebee) Sapir on the birth this past Monday, February 6 in Israel of a baby boy. Mother and baby are in good health, b"n. May his life be filled with the insights of Torah, the warm and supportive love of family and community, and the blessing of good deeds. Mazal Tov!

MISHLOACH MANOT 2017 IS HERE!

Participating in the Gan Shalom Mishloach Manot fundraiser is a great

way to fulfill the mitzvah and increase good cheer and friendship in our community. Each year the Gan Shalom community creates, sells and delivers these festive baskets of treats to celebrate the holiday of Purim. Our package includes brand new, yummy items as well as the return of some "classic" favorites from the past! All proceeds go towards scholarships for Gan Shalom, helping preschool children access a Jewish education! Please be in touch with Yael Krieger (yaelkrieger@gmail.com, 415-905-0143) if you want to get involved and look out for the impending email with instructions on how to order!

Jewish Summer Camp Scholarships: We are pleased to share that an anonymous donor made a generous gift to our community to offer scholarships for CBI children who wish to attend Jewish sleep-away summer camps. Scholarships will be made available to every CBI family that applies with a special focus on first time camp participants. Please contact M. Sutton directly for scholarship information or if your family wishes to learn more about options for Jewish Summer Camps.

SHABBAT SHALEM WITH DINA AND R. NAFTALI BRAWER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:35 pm

Shabbat Dinner: 6:35 pm

RSVP by February 14 – Dinner fills up quickly, please register early!

\$10 per child, student, & young professional, \$18 per adult, \$50 maximum per family

Talk with Dina Brawer: 7:30 pm: *The Varieties of Religious Experience: Bringing William James and the Sefat Emet into dialogue on the nature of religion, ritual and the quest for spirituality*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Our Mishkan's Hachanah l'Tefillah – Preparation for Prayer 8:30-9:15 am

Sermon by R. Naftali Brawer: 11:00 am: *When Ritual gets in the way of Meaning*

Seudah Shelishit Farbrengen: 5:15 pm



Dina Brawer holds a BA in Hebrew and Jewish studies from London School of Jewish Studies and an MA in Education (Psychology) from the Institute of Education. For close to fifteen years she has worked alongside her husband, a congregational rabbi, and in that capacity she taught numerous kallahs, ran adult education programs, led strategic community development among other roles. Dina has recently been appointed as JOFA's UK ambassador and in this role she is seeking to amplify the voices of Orthodox feminists and create a movement for positive change.



Rabbi Naftali Brawer is a values theorist, ordained Orthodox rabbi and Chief Executive of Spiritual Capital Foundation, an organization that is dedicated to instilling values and purpose in the workplace. Naftali Brawer was ordained as an Orthodox Rabbi at the age of twenty two and has ministered to two

London congregations over the course of fifteen years. He holds a PhD in Hebrew and Jewish studies and is a published author, columnist and broadcaster. He has written and lectured widely on theology and Jewish mysticism.

Sisterhood Book Club: Copies of *The Yid*, by Paul Goldberg, are available from Rita Kohl. The meeting will take place on Sunday, **February 19 at 10:30 a.m.** in the CBI library. If you take a book and cannot make the meeting, please return on or before the 19th.

Community Wide Melaveh Malka - February 25

Please save the date for a community-wide Melaveh Malka on the evening of February 25th. Community members will graciously host Melaveh Malkas in their homes, enabling the entire community to participate in intimate gatherings, see old friends, and make new ones

Please look out for your invitation, including your host and details, later this week! We are looking for a few more hosts, please let Maharat Sutton or Sara Darmoni know if you are interested!

Join us for the second CBI Film!

Date: Sunday, February 26 at 4:30 pm- 7pm

Location: Home of Dan & Robinn Magid (North Berkeley)

We will be watching "The Kind Words", a 2016 film by Israeli director and screenwriter Shemi Zarhin, which follows three siblings who learn a provocative family secret after the sudden death of their mother. The three siblings begin an epic journey that takes them from Israel to Paris, to learn the truth about the past, their family and even their identities. According to one review, "Humor creeps in from strange sources, including a seller of funeral packages and a march through a Paris graveyard. And while not every motivation is clear, subtext isn't everything in a movie as complex and satisfying as this one."

To learn more about the film & watch a trailer visit:

<https://www.nytimes.com/2016/06/24/movies/the-kind-words-review.html? r=1>

The Magid's will provide light, dairy/pareve hors d'oeuvres, wine and chocolate. RSVP to Miriam Barrerem@gmail.com (strongly encouraged, but not needed to attend)

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