

Weekday Morning and Evening ServicesJune 24-28, 2018

Morning: 8:00 am Sun • 6:30 am Mo-Th

Evening: 8:15 pm Su-Th

Friday, June 22

Northside minyan at Sudikoff home 7:00 pm

1209 Shattuck Ave (east side of street, past Live Oak Park, near Eunice)

Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 pm

Candle Lighting..... 8:17 pm

Saturday, June 23

Morning Service 9:15 am

Childcare 9:15 am

Torah Reader: **Glenn Massarano, Matan Gilbert**Haftorah Reader: **Glenn Massarano**

Formal Group Time: 10:30 am

Kedma (Pre-K): **Natan Kuchar**Tzafona (K-2): **Nerya Davidi and Shira Desta**Negba (3-5): **TBD**Parent Supervisors: **Matan Gilbert****Sermon by Tania Schweig:** Purification After Contact with Death

Mincha 7:55 pm

Seudah Shlishit..... 8:15 pm

Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends..... 9:22 pm

KIDDUSH SPONSORS

Lior Armbruster; Kirsten and Miriam Barrere in honor of Rabbi Yonatan Cohen and his family and Maharat Victoria Sutton and her family; **Yossi Ben-Nun** for the yahrzeit of his father: Menachem ben Menachem; **the Epstein Family** in honor of Benjamin Epstein; **Glenn and Judy Massarano** celebrating their 32nd anniversary

HACHNASSAT ORCHIM**Meena Viswanath & Jamie Conway**Kiddush Wine:**Covenant Winery, with special thanks to the Morgan Family****FAST OF 17TH OF TAMMUZ****Yahrzeit of Archie Greenberg, z"l****Saturday night & Sunday, June 30-July 1**

This year, as the Fast of the Seventeen of Tammuz falls on Shabbat, the fast is postponed until Sunday. The fast begins at 4:08 am and concludes at 9:08 pm. The special morning services will be held at CBI at 8 am. Mincha services for a fast day, followed by Ma'ariv, will be held at 8 pm.

Fast Begins 4:08 am

Shacharit w/selichot 8:00 am

Mincha w/Torah reading & Haftorah..... 8:00 pm

Ma'ariv 9:00 pm

Fast ends 9:08 pm

Beth Israel ClassesMONDAY

Key Books in Tanakh: Sefer Shoftim/Judges The cycle of the period of the Judges spans several hundred years from the days of Joshua to the prophet

Samuel. In the absence of strong, central leadership, individuals rose up to meet the challenges facing the nation. Some of these leaders are larger than life, such as Samson and Deborah, while others' stories are less known yet compelling and thought provoking. Through learning the book of Shoftim, we will compare and contrast these diverse leaders and gain an understanding of this liminal period in Jewish history. **Class is not meeting on June 18.**

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

Laws of Shabbat: In this class we will re-use R. Eliezer Melamed's well-organized, clear and concise *halakhic* (Jewish legal) writings as a springboard to deepen our understanding and our observance of the laws of Shabbat. Each class will focus on a specific area of religious practice and move from general principle to practical details. **This class is on hiatus.**

R. Yonatan Cohen — Tuesdays @ 12:00 pm.**Command and Commander: Bringing the Divine Back into Halakhic**

Discourse: The halakha's brilliance is in its ability to just do – allowing divinely-commanded action to do the talking, so to speak, instead of theology. That's why God can get locked out of the beit midrash, and why there are so few references to the Divine in halakhic literature. In this class we will examine the inseparability of theology from halakha, opening a back door into the subject matter by examining the experience of commandedness.

Leon Wiener Dow — Tuesday, June 26, 7:00 pmWEDNESDAY

New Talmudic Readings: This volume contains three of Emmanuel Levinas's last major lectures on the Talmud. Originally compiled and published in French in 1996, it includes the lectures, *The Will of Heaven and the Power of Humanity, Beyond the State in the Self*, and *Who is One-self?* Levinas's Talmudic commentaries have generated interest in both theological and philosophical circles. These exegetical writings bear on his ever-present concern with ethics, the central focus of his philosophy. One of the most remarkable consequences of this focus, furthermore, is a renewal of philosophy's capacity to both respect and uncover the deepest meanings central to sacred as well as secular texts.

Muni Schweig — Wednesdays @ 8:00 pm @ the Schweig homeFRIDAY

Talmudic Wisdom: Join us for a weekly class that explores key *sugyot* (talmudic units) that discuss major Jewish questions of practice and thought. **This class is on hiatus.**

R. Yonatan Cohen — Fridays, 9:00 amSATURDAY

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

Poems of the Ibn Ezra with R. David Rue—Shabbat Day: We will be starting a section on Poem's of the Ibn Ezra. Each class will meet in the

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.

PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THIS SHEET FROM THE BUILDING ON SHABBAT

Sanctuary. *Class resumes May 19.*

R. David Rue — Saturdays, 12:10 pm, during Kiddush

EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Beth Israel

Mazal Tov! to parents Jeanette Wickelgren & Raphael Rosen, big brothers Allen Caleb & William Solomon, and grandparents Mordy & Rena Rosen and Norma Graham on the birth of a baby girl. Mother and baby are in good health, b"n.

Simchat Bat will take place this Sunday, June 24th at 10:00 am @CBI.

A great way to support the family is to bring them a meal. Please sign up on the meal calendar: <http://mealmein.com/helpout/50m61>

May this child's 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!

Mazal Tov! To our beloved Frayda and R. Yonatan, to big brothers Hoshaya, Gavriel, and big sister Amarya, to grandparents Anna & Aron Gonshor and Miriam and Robi Cohen on the birth of a baby boy. Mother and baby are in good health, b"n.

The community is warmly invited to a **Shalom Zachor at the Cohen residence on Friday night (June 22), from 8:15 pm to 9:15 pm** (promptly and strictly!) including kiddush and light first course and to a **Bris (bs" d) on Monday (June 25) at 7:45 am** right after the 6:30 am morning services at Congregation Beth Israel

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Nesiyah tovah to our b'not sherut Nerya Davidi and Shira Desta on their return to Israel.

Donate your car/boat/vehicle to Beth Israel. Full tax write off. Proceeds benefit Gan Shalom Preschool Scholarship Fund.

Contact David Spieler: 510-849-0961.

In the Community

Come to Limmud Bay Area at Sonoma State Univ from June 29 to July 1.

Highlights of this year's program include a panel of Jewish journalists addressing "Fake News", presentations by Rivka Amado, Pardes faculty and Kevah fellows. Sessions on Israeli tech innovation, an analysis of the geopolitical situation in Israel, and other topics of interest. If six Beth Israel families sign-up, there will be a retroactive discount. Registration is now open! <http://limmudbayarea.org/register/>

Camp Gan Israel Summer '18, limited spaces left! Sign up today!

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- * Sports
- * Martial Arts
- * Arts 'n Crafts
- * Tumbling for younger division
- * soccer for older division
- * 2 overnights
- * Shabbat party and challah baking
- * Singing and ruach

Looking forward to a fun, safe, and Jewish summer.

Israel Focus

For your interest, information, protest, or counter-protest *Israel Focus* is designed to inform our members about a broad range of local area events concerning Israel. It is expected that you will find events that you would support and others that you would not, yet we trust that they will all inform. Beth Israel does not necessarily endorse any particular event.

Solano Stroll: Many years ago, CBI members marched in the How Berkeley Can You Be parade in support of Israel, and it was a beautiful sight to see, and was very well received. What do you think about marching in the Solano Stroll parade? We have until September to work out the details, like themes and messaging, but conceptually, how many people would be interested? If we have critical mass, we can set up a separate email list for organizing and planning. Please let me know if there is interest. Thanks! Faith Meltzer <meltzerfamily@sbcglobal.net>

We invite you to submit announcements for inclusion in Israel Focus to the office at office@cbiberkeley.org. Announcements will be edited for length and content (to comply with the Announce List Guidelines).