



Weekday Morning and Evening Services

June 10-14, 2018

Morning: 8:00 am Sun • 6:30 am Mo-Th

Evening: 8:15 pm Su-Th

**Friday, June 8**

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..... 8:12 pm

**Saturday, June 9**

Morning Service ..... 9:15 am  
Childcare ..... 9:15 am  
Torah Reader: **Na'aman Kam**  
Haftarah Reader: **Eliahu Klein**  
Formal Group Time: ..... 10:30 am  
Kedma (Pre-K): **Natan Kuchar**  
Tzafona (K-2): **Nerya Davidi and Shira Desta**  
Negba (3-5):  
Parent Supervisors: **Jacob & Rachel Heitler**

**Sermon by M. Victoria Sutton**

Mincha ..... 7:55 pm  
Seudah Shlishit..... 8:10 pm  
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends..... 9:17 pm

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Kiddush Wine:

Covenant Winery, with special thanks to the Morgan Family

**ROSH CHODESH TAMMUZ**

**Tuesday night, Wednesday & Thursday, June 12-14**

Shacharit ..... 6:30 am

Beth Israel Classes

MONDAY

**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.

**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.

**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 pm**

WEDNESDAY

**Open Sources - Beit Midrash:** Learn independently with a *hevruta* (study partner). Learners of all levels welcome. Want to study with a partner, and not sure where to begin? Contact M. Victoria Sutton with any questions [maharatvictoria@gmail.com](mailto:maharatvictoria@gmail.com) and we will help you find a partner and get started! **Class is on hiatus for the summer.**

**M. Victoria Sutton — Wednesdays, 7:45 —9:00 pm.**

**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 home**

FRIDAY

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

**R. Yonatan Cohen — Fridays, 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**

*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.*

## **EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **In Beth Israel**

Mazal Tov! to Maayan & Elishav Rabinovich and big sisters Uri, Halel, Raz and Shiri on the birth on May 24 of a baby girl, **Tenne Rivka**. Mother and baby are in good health, b"n. 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!

**CBI Gala:** Thank you to everyone who helped make CBI's annual Gala held at Covenant Winery such a memorable and delightful community event. A very special thank you to Jeff and Jodie Morgan and the entire Covenant team for their generous, gracious, and heimish hospitality. Our profound gratitude to this year's Gala Committee, Lois Marcus, Susie Marcus, Jodie Morgan, Irene Resnikoff, Rona Teitelman, and Leslie Valas. Thank you to Michael Kaye, who moved and inspired us with storytelling that truly captured what our community strives to be. Chef Arnon Oren and his team at Anaviv Catering regaled us with a creative and delicious menu. A big hand to Berkeley High's "The Sharp Seven" band. And as always our heartfelt thanks to Rabbi Cohen, Maharat Sutton, Ben Rose and Joelle Yzquierdo for their tireless work.

Mazal tov to Bob and June Safran on winning our raffle's first prize (Instant Kosher Wine cellar) and to Marilyn Paul and David Stroh who won our second prize (Dinner at Covenant Winery for six guests). You can still sign up for a few open seats at some of our silent auction events (see below). Thank you to all our donors! Please email the office at [office@cbiberkeley.org](mailto:office@cbiberkeley.org) to reserve your spot (first-come, first-served).

**Dessert with Prof. Steven Zipperstein, Daniel E. Koshland Professor in Jewish Culture and History at Stanford University: Hosted by Judith Bloom, chol hamoed Sukkot, Wednesday September 26, 2018**  
**\$54/person**

Did you miss out on Prof. Zipperstein's talk at the Tikkun Leyl Shavuot, and the SF JCC? Are you curious to hear about his new book, Pogrom: Kishniev and the Tilt of History, which has been recently published to critical acclaim? Here's your chance to hear an amazing world-class scholar, with world-class Bay Area views from Judith Bloom's sukkah. This evening is guaranteed to be a culinary delight (Judith is one of CBI's celebrated bakers!) and intellectually stimulating. All in all, a winning combination.

**Halav & Halab (and Helweh): Hosted by Maharat Victoria Sutton and Adam Brelow, Shavuot afternoon 2019**  
**\$72/person**

Join Maharat Victoria Sutton at her home for the traditional chanting of Azharot, the masterful poetic listing of the 613 mitzvot of Solomon ibn Gabirol. To top off the experience, indulge in Syrian pastries customary for Shavuot, filled with dairy goodness and sweetness.

**Jewish Genealogy Dinner: Hosted by Daniel and Robinn Magid, Sunday October 7, 2018**  
**\$72/person**

Here's your chance to learn how to trace your Jewish ancestors from Robinn Magid, a true expert on Jewish genealogy. Robinn is a frequent speaker and teacher in the Jewish genealogy movement, as well as the chair of the next international conference to be held in Warsaw, Poland (visit: [IAJGS2018.org](http://IAJGS2018.org)). She recently received a medal from the mayor of the City of Lublin, Poland for her volunteer work to inspire and develop the cultural identity of her family's ancient hometown on the occasion of its 700th birthday. Start your own path to trace your family's roots with her extensive knowledge and expertise.

**Urban Adamah Tour: Hosted by Adam Berman, Director, Fall 2018, date TBD**  
**\$54/person**

A farm in Berkeley? You bet! Tour the farm with Adam Berman, and

hear first-hand how this Jewish innovation took root, literally in our own backyard.

### **CBI SISTERHOOD**

**Book Club:** Copies of *Three Floors Up*, by Eshkol Nevo, are available. We will meet on Sunday, June 17 at 10:30 a.m. at CBI.

**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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- \* 2 overnights
- \* Shabbat party and challah baking
- \* Singing and ruach

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