



Weekday Morning and Evening Services

August 12-16, 2018

Morning: 8:00 am Sun • 6:30 am Mo - Th

Evening: 7:40 pm Su-Th

ROSH CHODESH ELUL

Friday night, Saturday & Sunday, August 10-12

Shacharit Sunday with Musical Hallel led by Aron Wolgel and

Josh Ladon..... 8:00 am

Join us in welcoming the Elul season with a songful Hallel, with musical accompaniment by CBI members

Friday, August 10

Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 pm

Candle Lighting..... 7:50 pm

Saturday, August 11

Morning Service 9:15 am

Childcare 9:15 am

Torah Reader: Na'aman Kam

Haftorah Reader: Issy Kipnis

Groups - Shabbat August 11 - Free Shabbat (see below)

As summer vacations wind down, we'd like to show hakarat hatov (gratitude) for our dedicated Shabbat morning education team, headed by Natan Kuchar. This Shabbat, August 11, will be a group-free Shabbat. This as an opportunity to reset and refresh before our new season of Shabbat programming kicks off.

No childcare at Gan, the Gan yard is available for parent-supervised play.

Children of all ages must be accompanied by a parent..... 10:30-12:00

Toddlers: a babysitter will be available in the upstairs tot room for ages 18 mos-4 yrs old..... 9:15 am-12:00 pm

Tot Circle with Ariel Wolgel 10:45 am

Ages 5+: Games and other materials will be available for use in the CBI Library and outside patio, with parent supervision.

New Shabbat group season kicks off next Shabbat, August 18! Details to follow soon!

Sermon by Deena Aranoff: Wrestling with Reward and Punishment

Mincha 7:20 pm

Seudah Shlishit..... 7:35 pm

Shabbat ends 8:39 pm

KIDDUSH SPONSORS

Batya Schick in memory of my father Martin ben Victor on his 20th yearzeit

Abraham & Gabriela Fine, Hillel & Sarit Kipnis, and Adam & Amira Goldberg in honor of the incoming 2018-2020 Board of Directors, our parents' wedding anniversary and the second yearzeit of our grandfather, YOSHUA BEN NAFTALI HA'LEVI

Melissa & Noah Nathan with thanks to the wonderful CBI community on our first year anniversary of moving to Berkeley

Judith Bloom - Dan Bloom cared deeply about CBI, Jewish Education and his family. We are celebrating his life by honoring his yearzeit

Kiddush Wine:

Covenant Winery, with special thanks to the Morgan Family

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. On hiatus.

R. Yonatan Cohen — Tuesdays @ 12:00 pm.

WEDNESDAY

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. On hiatus.

R. Yonatan Cohen — Fridays, 9:00 am

EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Beth Israel

Baruch Dayan Emet (Condolences): We deeply regret to inform you of the passing in Boston, MA on August 9 -28 Av of Frederick Alper (Ephraim Ben David), beloved brother of Noah and Spike Alper, and Judith Smith. Noah will be with family on the East Coast until August 27.

HaMakom Yenacheim Et'chem Betoach She'ar Aveilei Tziyon VeYerushalayim. May God comfort the family and all others who mourn Zion and Jerusalem.

Baruch Dayan Emet (Condolences): We deeply regret to inform you of the passing of Rivka Lehmann, beloved mother of Amalya Lehmann and Gil Lehmann, mother-in-law to Amalya's fiance Ariel Weiss, and beloved wife of Dr. Harold Lehmann.

The funeral and shiva will take place in Baltimore, MD.

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.

Amalya and Ariel will be getting married this Sunday in Baltimore, as Jewish law has provisions for not postponing a wedding celebration. *HaMakom Yenacheim Et'chem Betoach She'ar Aveilei Tziyon VeYerushalayim*. May God comfort the family and all others who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem

Mazal Tov! to new parents Rena Greefield and Ori Kanefsky, on the birth of a baby girl. 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!

Mazal tov! to parents Meechal & Na'aman Kam, big brother Evyatar and big sisters No'ah and Amital on the birth of a baby boy, **Elad Chaim**.

A great way to support the family at this time is to bring them a meal.

Signup on the calendar here: <http://mealmein.com/helpout/u3j3>.

Please email M Victoria Sutton if you need help with sign up.

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.

Kiddush in honor of Elishav and Ma'ayan Rabinovich & Family Shabbat Shoftim, August 18:

We are thrilled to welcome back Elishav and Ma'ayan Rabinovich, who together with their family served as *shlichim* in our community as our Youth Directors, at OHDS and at the Merkavah Torah Institute from 2011 to 2014. Elishav & Ma'ayan live in Tel Aviv where they both work in the field of education and in building a vibrant community in the city. They are excited to be back in Berkeley together with their five daughters Uri, Haleb, Raz, Shiri & Tenne Rivka. Elishav & Ma'ayan will be delivering the drash that Shabbat morning. To donate towards this kiddush, please donate through the website or the CBI Office and indicate "Rabinovich kiddush" in the memo.

Niva Bamberger Bat Mitzvah: With great pleasure and gratitude to Hashem we cordially invite you to share in our joy as our beloved daughter, Niva Amalya, is called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Shabbat Ki Teitzei, **the 25th of August 2018** at 9:15 in the morning at CBI. A kiddush lunch will follow the service. At 7:00 pm the evening before, Friday night the 24th of August, Niva will lead the Kabbalat Shabbat service. Sara & Kenny Bamberger.

SF Giants Jewish Heritage Night, Wed, August 29 @ 7:15 pm

Join us for a night out at the ball game!

Join the Bay Area's Jewish community at the Giants annual Jewish Heritage Night at AT&T Park! Your Special Event ticket package includes a seat in one of the Jewish Heritage sections for the game versus the Diamondbacks, a collector's-edition Jewish-themed Giants beanie, as well as admission to the Jewish Heritage Night pregame party in Lot A from 5:00-7:00PM!

You can purchase Group tickets through the link below,

CBI group section is 326. Tickets are \$23 plus fees.

Get Tickets @ <https://groupmatics.events/event/BethIsrael>

We are excited to continue regular Women's Tefillah and Torah reading at CBI this coming year! *Yasher koach* to all of the readers, *gabbait*s and participants of the CBI's Women's Tefillah over the past years.

Women's Tefillah will meet for Shabbat Mincha, including Torah reading, on the first Shabbat of the month, followed by Women's Seudah shelishit & Learning, as well as for Simchat Torah and Purim Day.

Schedule for this year:

Simchat Torah Women's Reading: Tuesday, Oct 2 (Sign up here to read on Simchat Torah: <https://tinyurl.com/ycujl3uo>) If you would like to sit down with someone to review your *aliyah* before Simchat Torah please be in touch ASAP with M. Victoria

November 3 - Toldot

December 1 - Miketz

January 5 - Bo

February 2- Terumah

March 2 - Pekudei

*Purim, Thursday, March 21 @ 12 - Women's Megillat Esther

April 6 - Metzora

May 4 - Kedoshim

To participate by *leyning*, *gabbaing*, leading tefillah, teaching during seudah shelishit sponsoring seudah shelishit sign up here:

<https://tinyurl.com/ycujl3uo>

Please take a moment to share your interests and skills in this short form:

<https://tinyurl.com/ybcy8xlm>

Your feedback is essential to having more opportunities for women's tefillah and learning in the coming months.

To learn more, please contact or M. Victoria Sutton

(maharatvictoria@gmail.com) or Dr. Tamara Beliak (tbeliak@ohds.org).

Donate your car/boat/vehicle to Beth Israel. Full tax write off. Proceeds benefit Gan Shalom Scholarship Fund. Contact David Spieler: 510-849-0961.

In the Community

Summer Celebration at Covenant Winery, 1102 6th Street, Berkeley - Sunday, August 12, 1-5 pm. We hope you will join us at Covenant Winery for a summer celebration...enjoy tacos prepared by Epic Bites, wine tasting and our annual wine sale (50% off). *21 years of age or older* \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. For tickets and details go to www.covenantwines.com/shop. L'Chaim! Jodie & Jeff Morgan

Jewish Coalition for Literary: Opening Books, Opening Minds, Opening Doors: Can You Read This? That Means You Can Help A Child Who Can't. In just one hour a week, you can help a struggling student learn to love reading. Take part in this rewarding *tikkun olam* program and help a child succeed. Join the Jewish Coalition for Literacy as a volunteer reading tutor and make a difference in a child's life.

To become a JCL tutor, you must first attend a free training and orientation session, **Wednesday, August 29, 1:00-4:00 p.m.** * No previous tutoring experience is necessary!

Register here: <https://www.jclread.org/#!sign-up/tgy0h> or by calling 510.809.4904

JCL/Jewish Federation, 2121 Allston Way, Berkeley

Wednesday, September 26, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Bnai Tikvah, 25 Hillcroft Way, Walnut Creek

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: Stand Up and Be Counted as An Israel Supporter!

Join fellow Bay Area Zionists marching in the Solano Ave Parade

Meet us at the staging area on Fresno Street, between Marin and Solano, in Berkeley, Sunday September 9, 9:30-11:00 am. Look for the Israeli and American flags. The larger our contingent, the more impressive we will be and the more of a positive impact we can make for Israel.

For more information and to RSVP - Faith meltzerfamily@sbcglobal.net

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

HIGH HOLIDAYS 2018

For a schedule of the High Holidays, please see our website:

<https://www.cbiberkeley.org/pray/holiday-calendar/>

Attendance Request

Members (no cost with payment of at least half of membership commitment fees or with fee commitment payment plan in place).

For friends, relatives and visitors, our fees are below. You may place your request and process your payment either:

1) By check to: Congregation Beth Israel, 1630 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, CA 94703.

2) On our website with a credit card: <https://www.cbiberkeley.org/pray/holiday-calendar/high-holidays-2018/>

Non-Members

Rosh Hashanah Service only – \$150/person

Yom Kippur services only – \$150/person

Both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services – \$250/person

Full-Time Students

Rosh Hashanah services only – \$75/person

Yom Kippur services only – \$75/person

Both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services – \$125/person

No one is turned away for financial consideration.

KAVOD REQUEST: Senior CBI members (age 70 and over) and those with disabilities can request and be assigned specific seat assignments. Kavod seats will be labeled with the name of the seat holder, at no extra cost. To make a Kavod request for a seat assignment, please email the CBI office: office@cbiberkeley.org

YIZKOR BOOKLET

Our community's Yizkor Book is dedicated to the memory of those who have passed from our lives. Revised annually and used four times during the year, the Yizkor Book is a meaningful way to honor, through *tzedaka*, the names and lives of loved ones of blessed memory.

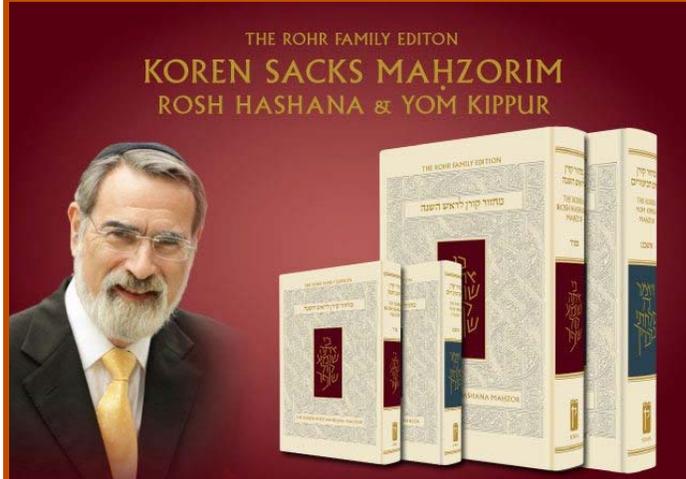
The cost is \$10 per name. New payment is required each year (see previous page)

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

Loved ones may be remembered by having their names inscribed on a memorial plaque to be mounted on CBI's memorial wall in the sanctuary. This is a permanent way to remember those who have passed from our lives. The memorial light is lit annually during the week of *yahrzeit* of your loved one and at Yizkor services throughout the year. The cost of a memorial plaque is \$360.

Please contact Carol Cunradi cunradi@sbcglobal.net

Koren Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur Machzorim



Dedication opportunities are available for these new machzorim with a personalized dedication plate in memory of a loved one or in honor of a simcha.

- 1 set \$54
- 2 sets \$100
- 5 sets \$400
- 10 sets \$800
- 18 sets \$1,000
- 36 sets \$1,800

Please print your dedication exactly as you wish it to appear (example: Bracha Berkeley in memory of ... or in honor of...)

MAY WE BE INSCRIBED IN THE BOOK OF LIFE

This Rosh Hashanah,
share your blessings with all of
Beth Israel's friends!

A beautiful Rosh Hashanah
card will be sent to all
shul members for the High Holidays.

Have your family's name included
among the well-wishers on the
inside of this card.

\$36 to have one or two names listed.

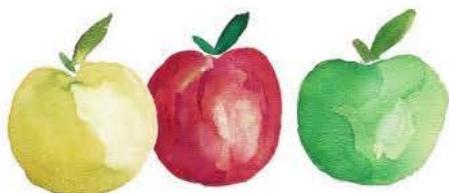
\$54 to include your entire
(first generational) family.

PLEASE PRINT NAMES
EXACTLY AS YOU WOULD LIKE
THEM TO APPEAR IN THE CARD

Name(s):

Don't Forget!
ABSOLUTE DEADLINE:
MONDAY, AUGUST 13

All proceeds support
adult education programming at CBI.



Yizkor—Book of Remembrance *Due August 13*

A Book of Remembrance will be our guide to the Yizkor Service. Revised annually and used four times during the year, it will contain the text of the Yizkor liturgy and the names of those who are being remembered by the members of the Congregation. If you wish to remember your loved ones in this Book of Remembrance, please return your list of names along with your payment, **no later than August 13, 2018.**

The charge for the listing of names is \$10 per name.
There is a new charge each year for listing of names.

Please use the names I (we) submitted for last year's book
_____ # of Names @\$10.00 per name!

To see last year's book:
<https://www.cbiberkeley.org/pray/holiday-calendar/yizkor-book-remembrance/>