



Weekday Morning and Evening Services
December 2-6, 2018

Morning: 8:00 am Sun • 6:30 am M - F
Evening: 4:35 pm @ CBI Thursday

Mincha services will begin promptly at 4:30 pm at the Darmoni home
Sunday through Wednesday.

Please note: we will not hold mincha services at CBI on those nights.

Friday, November 30

Northside minyan @ Sudikoff home ..... 4:30 pm
1209 Shattuck Ave (east side of street, past Live Oak Park, near Eunice)
Candle Lighting ..... 4:33 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat ..... 4:40 pm

Saturday, December 1

Morning Service ..... 9:15 am
Childcare (upstairs at CBI\*) ..... 9:15 am
\*Children 18 mos-3 yrs can be dropped off at tot childcare.

Torah Reader: Zeev Neumeier
Haftorah Reader: Ori Kanefsky
Formal Group Time: ..... 10:30 am
Kedma (Pre-K): Natan

Tzafona: Hadas Jacobson
Negba (3-5): Jacob Schwartz
Parent supervisor: Rachel & Jacob Heitler

Tot Shabbat Circle @ CBI Upstairs (parents welcome)..... 11:15 am
Sermon by R. Cohen: A Bit of Light to Banish A Lot of Darkness

Mincha ..... 12:30 pm
Women's Mincha & Torah ..... 4:00 pm
Shabbat Mincha: Dr. Tamara Beliak

Torah Readers: Jenny Kirsch, Adina Polen, M. Victoria Sutton
Women's Seudah Shlishit & Learning..... 4:30 pm

M. Victoria Sutton: Judith: A Chanukah Heroine
Sponsored by Serach Bracha Albert and Jenny Kirsch in honor of their
birthdays, Nov 25th and Dec 4th

Seudah Shlishit ..... 4:35 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends ..... 5:33 pm
Mishmash ..... 6:15 pm

NEW MEMBERS & NEWCOMERS KIDDUSH

Sponsored by CBI Sisterhood

Yosef Ben-Nun; Yonatan Benarroch & Hadassa Goldvicht; Immanuel Buder
& Talya Brettler; Aryeh & Ariela Canter; David Corwin; Ilai Deutel; Michael
Diamond; Yakov & Rimona Dietch; Heshy & Chaya Miriam Fried; Adam
Frim; Brian Helfand; Benjamin Hoffman; Rena Greenfield & Ori Kanefsky;
Hadas Jacobson; Ethan Katz & Hagit Caspi & family; Renna Khuner Haber &
Ilana Mantell; Nechama Langer; R. Danny & Lisa Lehmann; Jacob Levy &
Emily Sahm Levy; Raizy Lichtenstein & Elianna Abrahams; Paul & Talya
Marcus; Elliot Onn; Adam Rosenzweig & Jessica Fain; Thom & Betty Seaton;
Lewis Stiller; David Stroh & Marilyn Paul; Ruth Teitelbaum

HACHNASSAT ORCHIM

Vered & Hilik Frank

Kiddush Wine Donation:

Covenant Winery, with special thanks to the Morgan Family

Mishmash, Saturday December 1: Mishmash offers parents and children
an opportunity to study in pairs in a unique beit midrash atmosphere. For
guidance in choosing learning materials best suited to each individual need,
please contact M. Victoria Sutton at maharatvictoria@gmail.com. Children
in grades K-8 and their parents are invited to participate.

The evening begins with pizza, as parents and children settle into their
learning spaces. At the close of each Mishmash, a Dvar Torah is given over
by one of the children.

Mishmash meets twice a month, November to March, on Motzei Shabbat
(begins about 30 min after Shabbat ends): Dec. 15, Jan. 12, Jan. 26, Feb. 9,
Feb. 23, Mar. 9 Siyum

Women's Tefillah @CBI - December 1, 4:00 pm: Join CBI's women's
community for a series of unique opportunities to pray, sing and learn
Torah together. Mincha and Torah reading will be followed by seudah
shelishit and learning.

Upcoming Dates: Women's Tefillah will meet for Shabbat Mincha on the
following dates (1st Shabbat of the month): Jan 5, Feb 2, March 2, Apr 6
May 4. Please contact M. Sutton (maharatvictoria@gmail.com) if you wish
to serve as a gabbayit, read Torah, lead prayers, teach during the meal, or
sponsor seudah shelishit or sign up here: https://tinyurl.com/ya3fzulq

CHANUKAH

25 Kislev-Tevet 2
December 2-8

See Laws of Chanukah & Guidelines attached. Throughout the week,
candles should be lit after 5:21 pm except for Friday & Motz'ei Shabbat.

With great pleasure
and gratitude to Hashem
we cordially invite you to share
in our joy as our beloved son
Yaakov Fenton
is called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah
on Shabbat Miketz
the 8th of December, 2018
Kiddush lunch following the service
Claire and Yoshi Fenton

SHABBAT CHANUKAH ROSH CHODESH TEVET PARSHAT MIKETZ

YAAKOV FENTON BAR MITZVAH

Friday & Saturday, December 7-8

Chanukah Candle Lighting before ..... 4:32 pm\*
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Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat ..... 4:35 pm
Morning Service ..... 9:15 am
Childcare ..... 9:15 am
Formal Group Time ..... 10:30 am
Shabbat Mincha ..... 1:30 pm
Seudah Shlishit ..... 4:30 pm
Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends ..... 5:33 pm
Chanukah Candle Lighting after ..... 5:33 pm\*\*

\* We light the Chanukah Menorah home before lighting the Shabbat
candles. One must be careful to use enough oil or light a large enough
candle that will remain lit until thirty minutes after 5:32 pm (i.e. after the
appearance of three stars).

\*\* There are various opinions concerning the order of Havdalah and

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.

Chanukah menorah lighting in the home. Rav Henkin, z"l recommends to make Havdalah first, and then to light the Chanukah menorah.

#### ROSH CHODESH TEVET

*Fri. night, Sat. & Sun, December 7-9*

Shacharit Sunday .....8:00 am

### Beth Israel Classes

#### SATURDAY

**Kiddush Class on Chanukah** with R. Rue -- Meet in the Sanctuary during Kiddush. Rabbi David Rue has been a Dayan from 1989, Rosh Beit Din from 2000. Rabbi Rue has taught extensively in Yeshivot Bnei Akiva, the premier religious Zionist education network in Israel with over 75 schools and 24,000 students. He is a close student of Rav Druckman.

#### 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. **Class is not meeting on December 10.**

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

**The Source of Light - On the Origins of Chanukah:** Join us for a special Chanukah class to examine some surprising texts that delve into the origins of Chanukah.

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

**The Most Telling Rabbinic Stories of Dispute:** Every page of the Talmud is replete with rabbinic disagreements concerning Jewish law and practice. At several points, the Talmud also provides detailed descriptions of some of the more critical controversies that both plagued and enriched the rabbinic culture of dispute in its early and later stages of formation. This series will examine some of the most telling stories that best characterize this feature of our rabbinic inheritance.

**R. Yonatan Cohen — Tuesdays @ 7:30-9:00 pm. Dec 4**

**People of the (Artists') Book: Creating Around the Jewish Sacred Cycle** Over the course of six monthly sessions, we will collaboratively create interactive artists' books.

**Adina Polen — Tuesdays 7:00-9:30 pm, Dec. 11, Jan. 29, Feb. 26, Mar. 26**

#### WEDNESDAY

**Nine Talmudic Readings by Emmanuel Levinas:** Nine readings of the Talmud by the French Jewish philosopher Emmanuel Levinas translate Jewish thought into the language of modern times. Here Levinas applies a hermeneutic that simultaneously allows the classic Jewish texts to shed light on contemporary problems and lets modern problems illuminate the texts. Besides being quintessential illustrations of the art of reading, the essays express the deeply ethical vision of the human condition that makes Levinas one of the most important thinkers of our time.

**Muni Schweig — Wednesdays @ 8:00 pm @ the Schweig home**

#### THURSDAY

**Different Lights - The Esh Kodesh on Chanukah:** In this class we will examine insights from the *Esh Kodesh* written by R. Kalonymus Shapira in the Warsaw ghetto.

**R. Yonatan Cohen — 12:00 pm**

#### FRIDAY

**Talmudic Wisdom:** Join us for a weekly class that explores key *sugyot* (talmudic units) that discuss major Jewish questions of practice and thought. **Class is not meeting on December 7.**

**R. Yonatan Cohen — Fridays, 9:00 am**

### EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### In Beth Israel

**Revised Times for Action for December-February:** The schedule of Times for Action in our last issue of chai lights failed to account for the change from Daylight Savings to Pacific Standard Time. A revised chart is attached as the final page of this week's bulletin.

**Baruch Dayan Emet/Condolences:** We deeply regret to inform you of the passing in Greenville, South Carolina, of **Irv Schnittman**, beloved father of Sara Darmoni, Evan Schnittman and Ronald Schittman, father-in-law of Benjamin Darmoni, beloved grandfather to five grandchildren, among them Yishai Darmoni.

Shiva will be observed at the Darmoni home at **1485 Hopkins**

**St., Berkeley** during the following times:

Sunday 4 pm-7 pm

Monday: 11 am-2 pm, 4 pm-7pm

Tuesday: 11 am-2 pm, 4 pm-7pm

Wednesday: 11 am-2 pm, 4 pm-7pm

*HaMakom Yenacheim Et'chem Betoch She'ar Aveilei Tziyon*

*VeYerushalayim.* May God comfort the family and all others who mourn Zion and Jerusalem

**Holiday Dinner Drive Benefiting Alameda County Community Food Bank**  
**The Food Bank serves 1 in 5 of our neighbors.**

The Koret Foundation is generously matching all gifts, dollar-for-dollar, up to \$25,000, to support this year's Holiday Dinner Drive. For every \$1 you give, the Food Bank will provide now \$14 worth of food with the match!

- Your donation of \$36 provides 7 holiday meals
- Your donation of \$100 provides 20 holiday meals
- Your donation of \$60 provides 12 holiday meals

Donate online: [accfb.org/dinner](http://accfb.org/dinner) (select Congregation Beth Israel at the bottom from the drop-down menu)

**Donate by check:** Payable to ACCFB and write Holiday Dinner Drive on the check memo line, mail to CBI, attention Holiday Dinner Drive, 1630 Bancroft Way Berkeley CA 94703

**Open Kiddush Dates:** Please email our Kiddush coordinators at [kiddush@cbiberkeley.org](mailto:kiddush@cbiberkeley.org) to sponsor the following open dates:

January 5

January 19

February 2

February 9

March 2

March 9

March 22

March 30

April 6 (co-sponsors welcome)

**For more details on Kiddush sponsorship information, please see our website <https://www.cbiberkeley.org/connect/sponsor-a-kiddush/>**

#### **CBI SISTERHOOD**

**Art Shuk, Sunday, December 2nd, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm: Art Sale!**

For more info see flyer at back

**CBI Scrip will be sold:** please visit the Scrip table -- gift cards and information for everything you ever wanted to know about scrip will be

available and it will also be possible to enroll in **PrestoPay**, the direct payment tool for your online Scrip ordering!

**Parent Ed Workshop @ CBI - Sibling Rivalry, Wednesday, December 12, 7:00 - 8:30 pm:** Sibling conflict driving you crazy? Please join OHDS for an engaging Parent Ed workshop with Bathea James. We will explore the reasons for sibling rivalry and the strategies to help deal with this normal part of child development. No RSVP required - hope you can join us.

**SAVE THE DATES:**

**Tot Kabbalat Shabbat & Dinner** for Families with Young Children  
**Fridays, December 14th, January 11th, February 8th**

Welcome Shabbat with song and movement, followed by a special dinner for families with young children.

Dec 14th, Tot Kabbalat Shabbat at Gan 4:30 pm, Dinner at CBI at 5 pm

Jan 11th, Tot Kabbalat Shabbat at Gan 4:55 pm, Dinner at CBI at 5:30 pm

Feb 8th, Tot Kabbalat Shabbat at Gan 5:20 pm, Dinner at CBI at 6:00 pm

<https://www.cbiberkeley.org/connect/join-us/tot-shabbat/>

RSVP by Tuesday night the week of the event.

\$15 for adults, \$10 for children, maximum \$50 per family

**NCSY -- Berkeley Shabbat Shabang, December 14-15**

For more details contact R. Akiva Naiman at [naimana@ncsy.org](mailto:naimana@ncsy.org)



### **In The Community**

**Cool Jew Hanukkah Party at Afikomen Judaica**

**Wednesday Dec 5th, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm**

\*Comedy & Cool Jew w/ Lisa Alcalay Klug author of Cool Jew and Hot Mamalah

\*Hot Latkes & Sufganiyot Fundraiser for the OHDS 5th Grade MOSAIC Trip

\*Live Music

\*Kids Activities

\*Hanukkah Scavenger Hunt

\*Community Menorah Lighting w/ Rabbi Chaim at 6:30pm

FREE \* All Ages Welcome

more info call 510-655-1977 - 3042 Claremont Ave. Berkeley

**JCC Hanukah Celebration:** You are invited to a Hanukah celebration on Sunday, December 9, 5:30 PM at the JCC, 1414 Walnut St, Berkeley. The celebration will include candle lighting, community sing-along, performances by Nigunim Chorus and friends, and dancing with the band ADAMA. I hope you can join us!

PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THIS SHEET FROM THE BUILDING ON SHABBAT

# LAWS OF CHANUKAH & LIGHTING YOUR CHANUKIYA GENERAL GUIDELINES

Chanukah begins on the evening of the 25th of Kislev – Sunday, December 2, and continues for eight days.

For the entire eight days of Chanukah it is forbidden to fast or to eulogize.

During morning prayers, Shacharit, one should recite the full *Hallel* every day. “*Al hanissim*” the special paragraph of prayers for Chanukah is added in the silent prayers, *Shmoneh Esreh* and also in Grace after meals. If one forgot to say this addition, one should not repeat either *Shmoneh Esreh* or Grace.

## PREPARING THE CHANUKIYA

If a number of people are lighting in one household they should make a slight separation between their *Chanukiyot* so that there is no confusion to the observer as to the number of candles.

Ideally, the *Chanukiya* should be placed outside the house to the left of the entrance. Since anti-Semitism was so common throughout Jewish history it became customary among many communities to place the *Chanukiya* inside the house, near the entrance or on the table. In many families it is the custom to place the *Chanukiya* in a window facing the public, especially where many people share one entrance (e.g., apartment building).

The *Chanukiya* should be no lower than three *tfachim* from the floor (approx. 10.5 inches) and should be no higher than 20 *amot* from ground level (35.5 ft). Ideally, it should be about 10 *tfachim* high (40 inches).

The *Chanukiya* should have all the candles or wicks on the same level, none higher or lower than the others.

It is customary to have an additional candle (the *shamash*) with which to light the other candles and in order to use its light. The *shamash* should be placed in a way that shows that it is not one of the Chanukah candles.

It is preferable to have the candles in a straight line, and not in a semi-circle, however it is permitted to have them in a semi-circle providing each candle is clearly separated from the others.

It is prohibited to light the *shamash* from the Chanukah candles.

It is obligatory to light candles, and one should even borrow money to fulfill this *mitzvah*. If a poor person needs money for Chanukah candles the community is obligated to provide for him.

The minimum obligation is that every household should have one candle burning every night. It is customary to be scrupulous regarding this *mitzvah*: to have one candle on the first night and an additional candle every night (1-8), and for everyone in the house as well.

Any type of oil is acceptable for use in the *Chanukiya*, however, it is best to use olive oil.

Wax candles are also acceptable, providing they have a single wick. Place first candle on the extreme right of the *Chanukiya*. On the second night add a candle on the left. Light the newest candle first and proceed to the right.

There are different customs regarding the placement of the candles, some follow the right and left of the observer from outside, some follow the right and left of the person lighting inside.

## ORDER OF BLESSINGS AND SONGS

On the first night three *brachot*, blessings are recited. “*Le-hadlik ner shel Chanukah*”, “*She’asa nissim*” and “*Shehechey-anu*.” Page 709 in the Birnbaum Siddur, page 782 in the Artscroll Siddur, or page 897 in the Koren Siddur.

On the other nights only the first two blessings are said.

All the blessings should be recited before actually lighting the candles. First light the *Shamash* before the blessings to avoid delay. It is forbidden to speak between the recitation of the blessings and the completion of candle lighting.

“*Haneirot Halalu*” is recited either during or after the lighting of the additional candles.

“*Maoz tsur yeshuaty*” is then sung.

## NOW THAT IT’S LIT...

The *Chanukiya* should not be moved after it has been lit.

If the *Chanukiya* was lit in accordance with the requirements of Jewish law and it was extinguished, one is not obligated to relight it, but one may relight it without reciting a blessing.

If the *Chanukiya* was not lit properly in the first place, or was lit in a windy place and blew out, then one is obligated to relight if it went out within 1/2 hour after nightfall.

It is permitted to work; however it is customary for women not to do any work for the entire time that the candles are burning.

It is forbidden to derive benefit from the light of the *Chanukiya* just as it was forbidden to derive benefit from the Menorah in the Temple, and also in order to show that the purpose of the *Chanukiya* is for a *Mitzvah*, and not for illumination.

## WHEN TO LIGHT

There are different customs as to the lighting of the *Chanukiya*.

Some light at sunset. Some light about ten minutes after sunset and some at nightfall. Here in Berkeley one should try to light as soon as possible after 5:21 p.m. (except for Shabbat, see below).

It is obligatory to put in enough oil, or a long enough candle to burn for at least 1/2 hour after nightfall (i.e. the appearance of three medium size stars).

In exceptional circumstances one may light one and a quarter hours before sunset with a blessing. However one should be careful to put in more oil or to use longer candles. If possible it is better to appoint an agent to light candles at the correct time, than to light early.

If one forgot or was not able to light at the correct time, one may light as long as people are still awake in the house in which one is lighting.

It is best to light in the presence of many people in order to publicize the miracle.

If one is a guest at someone’s house (and staying there), one should give the owner a small amount of money to buy a portion in their candles and one may fulfill the obligation through the owner.

Alternatively the guest may light his own *Chanukiya*.

If one is eating out then one should light the *Chanukiya* at their place of residence.

## CHANUKAH & SHABBAT

On Friday afternoon, the Chanukah candles should be lit before the Shabbat candle-lighting time (if one accepted Shabbat early, it is forbidden to light Chanukah candles). Mincha should be said before lighting, if possible.

Remember to put in more oil or bigger candles on Friday, so that they burn 1/2 hour after nightfall. Try to light just before the Shabbat candles, (without of course delaying the lighting of the Shabbat candles)

After Shabbat one should first recite *Havdalah* at home and only then light the Chanukah candles. One may not use the *Chanukiya* as the candle for *Havdalah*.

Warm *brachot* for a joyous and safe Chanukah!

*Adapted from the laws of Chanukah by Rabbi Mordechai Beche*



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## CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL **ART SHUK**

**NEW DATE! SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 • 11 AM - 4:00 PM**

### **ART SALE!**

CERAMICS • TEXTILES • PAINTINGS • DIGITAL ART  
JEWELRY • ILLUSTRATION • PHOTOGRAPHY • PAPER CUTOUTS • KETUBOT

### **OUR FEATURED ARTISTS**

Andrea Brott • Illustration/Photography/More

Deborah Lesser • Ceramics

Rose Ginsburg • Textiles

Deb Sibony • Painting

Molly Nadav • Ceramics

Nitzia Shaked • Painting

Ruth Teitelbaum • Painting

Hope Alper • Textiles

Ann Gitlis • Jewelry

Lisa Klug • Paper Cutout

Nechama Langer • Ketubot

**NEW DATE!**  
**DEC. 2**

FOR MORE INFO • SABRINA, 510.847.0050

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— TIMES FOR ACTION —

*Many commandments need to be performed during particular times of the day; here is a list of those times  
All times are for Berkeley, Pacific Standard Time*

| Week of  | DECEMBER |          |          |          |          | JANUARY  |          |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|  | 1        | 8        | 15       | 22       | 29       | 5        | 12       |
| <b>Alot Ha'Shachar</b><br>Dawn                           | 5:54 am  | 6:00 am  | 6:06 am  | 6:10 am  | 6:12 am  | 6:13 am  | 6:12 am  |
| <b>Neitz</b><br>Sunrise                                  | 7:06 am  | 7:12 am  | 7:18 am  | 7:22 am  | 7:24 am  | 7:25 am  | 7:24 am  |
| <b>Latest ideal time for the morning</b><br><i>Sh'ma</i> | 9:32 am  | 9:37 am  | 9:41 am  | 9:45 am  | 9:48 am  | 9:50 am  | 9:51 am  |
| <b>Tefilah</b><br>Latest time for prayer                 | 10:21 am | 10:25 am | 10:29 am | 10:32 am | 10:36 am | 10:38 am | 10:40 am |
| <b>Mincha Gedolah</b><br>Earliest time for Mincha        | 12:22 pm | 12:25 pm | 12:28 pm | 12:32 pm | 12:35 pm | 12:39 pm | 12:42 pm |
| <b>Sh'kia</b><br>Sunset                                  | 4:50 pm  | 4:50 pm  | 4:51 pm  | 4:55 pm  | 4:58 pm  | 5:04 pm  | 5:11 pm  |
| <b>Tzeit Ha'kochavim</b><br>Nightfall                    | 5:32 pm  | 6:32 pm  | 5:33 pm  | 5:36 pm  | 5:40 pm  | 5:46 pm  | 5:53 pm  |

| Week of  | JANUARY  |          | FEBRUARY |          |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|  | 19       | 26       | 2        | 9        | 16       | 23       |
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| <b>Mincha Gedolah</b><br>Earliest time for Mincha        | 12:45 pm | 12:47 pm | 12:49 pm | 12:50 pm | 12:51 pm | 12:50 pm |
| <b>Sh'kia</b><br>Sunset                                  | 5:18 pm  | 5:26 pm  | 5:34 pm  | 5:41 pm  | 5:49 pm  | 5:56 pm  |
| <b>Tzeit Ha'kochavim</b><br>Nightfall                    | 6:00 pm  | 6:08 pm  | 6:16 pm  | 6:23 pm  | 6:31 pm  | 6:38 pm  |