



Weekday Morning and Evening Services

February 3-7, 2019

Morning: 8:00 am Sun • 6:30 am M - F

Evening: 5:20 pm @ CBI Sun-Th

Friday, February 1

Northside minyan @ Sudikoff home 5:10 pm
1209 Shattuck Ave (east side of street, past Live Oak Park, near Eunice)
Candle Lighting 5:15 pm
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat @ CBI 5:20 pm

Saturday, February 2

Morning Service 9:15 am
Childcare upstairs at CBI (Children 18 mos-3 yrs) 9:15 am
Childcare at Gan Shalom (ages 3-10) 9:15 am
Torah Readers: **Dror Neumeier, Yaakov Fenton, Bear Mahgel-Friedman, Gili Stein, Raanan Schweig, Charlie Spivak**
Haftorah Reader:

Formal Group Time 10:30 am
Kedma (Pre-K): **Natan Kuchar**
Tzafona: **Hadas Jacobson**
Negba: **Jacob Schwartz**
Gan Assistant: **Veronica Gonzalez**
Tot Assistant: **Liz Ramirez**
Parent supervisor: **Tania & Muni Schweig**

Tot Shabbat circle in the CBI Loft 11:15 am

Sermon by R. Yonatan Cohen: *Thirst and Hunger for Prayer*

Shabbat Mincha 12:50 pm

Women's tefillah with OHDS

Nusach of Shabbat Mincha with **Judy Massarano** (women only).... 4:15 pm
Women's Shabbat Mincha and Torah Reading 4:35 pm

Shabbat Mincha: **Ofri Dahan**

Torah Readers: **Niva Bamberger, Millea Kenin, Rebecca Miranda**

Women's Seudah shelishit & Learning: 5:00 pm

"Ishmael is Playing" **Millea Kenin & Emunah Jasper w/ Dr. Tamara Beliak**

Seudah Shlishit 5:10 PM

sponsored by R. Daniel & Lisa Lehmann in commemoration of the
yahrzeit of Daniel's father, Henry Lehmann, Yehosha ben Shlomo
Learning with R. Daniel Lehmann

Ma'ariv, Havdalah & Shabbat ends 6:14 pm

KIDDUSH IN HONOR OF WOMEN'S TEFILLAH AT CBI

In honor of the wonderful women who participate and inspire in our
community! **Hilla Abel, Hope Alper; Deena Aranoff, Carol & Jim Cunradi,
Jory and Lisa Gessow, Sarah Miranda, Jodie and Jeff Morgan, Melissa &
Noah Nathan, Luna Schechter; M Victoria Sutton; Rona Teitelman; Meena
Viswanath & Jamie Conway**

HACHNASSAT ORCHIM

Matty Lichtenstein & Zvi Rosen

Kiddush Wine Donors:

Covenant Winery, with special thanks to the Morgan Family

ROSH CHODESH ADAR I

Mon. night, Tu. & Wed., February 4-6

Shacharit 6:30 am

Beth Israel Classes

MONDAY

Key Books in Tanakh: Book of Samuel: Following the chaotic period of the Judges, the Book of Samuel narrates the centralization of leadership in Israel. The book opens with the birth of the prophet Samuel, who unifies the nation, and crowns the first kings of Israel. The Book of Samuel presents a gripping exploration of political personalities, palace intrigue and the role of God in the lives of kings and nations.

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

NCSY LNL – Latte & Learning (for Teens; Grades 9-12): Our Special Blend: Coffee & Torah Every week. In addition to coffee, NCSY's Latte & Learning initiative serves up Judaism in a relaxed, inspirational, and fun environment. LNL is the place for teens to ask questions, voice their feelings, and connect with each other.

Mondays @ 7:30-8:30 pm @ CBI

TUESDAY

Narrative in the Jewish Mystical Tradition: This three-part series will explore the rich tradition of storytelling and narrative in Jewish mysticism both medieval and modern. Our first class will examine the idea of narrative in the Zohar, looking at specific tales about mystical teachers in this work as well as the poetics of interpreting biblical stories. The second session will look at storytelling in Hasidic thought and culture, with a particular focus on the fantastic tales of Rabbi Nahman of Bratslav. Finally, our third class will engage with Neo-Hasidic thinkers like Martin Buber and Elie Wiesel, who have drawn upon Hasidic stories to spark contemporary renewal and to deal with the deepest existential questions. Class time will be devoted to hevruta learning as well as group text-study and discussions. *R. Ariel Evan Mayse joined the faculty of Stanford University in 2017 as an assistant professor in the Department of Religious Studies, after previously serving as the Director of Jewish Studies and Visiting Assistant Professor of Modern Jewish Thought at Hebrew College in Newton, Massachusetts. He holds a Ph.D. in Jewish Studies from Harvard University and rabbinic ordination from Beit Midrash Har'el in Israel.*

R. Ariel Mayse — Tuesdays @ 7:30-9:00 pm, February 5, 12, 19

WEDNESDAY

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

FRIDAY

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

R. Yonatan Cohen — Fridays, 9:00 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

Baruch Dayan Emet/Condolences: With broken hearts and utter sadness, we deeply regret to inform you of the sudden and unexpected passing on Shabbat in Los Angeles of **Katz Ramona**, the beloved infant daughter of Elizabeth Wasserman and Isaac Resnikoff, and sister of Eli Wasserman-Resnikoff. Our condolences and love go out to Denise Resnikoff, Lenny Kristal, and the entire Resnikoff family. Shiva is taking place at the Wasserman-Resnikoff home, 150 S. Ave 57, Los Angeles, CA
HaMakom Yenacheim Et'chem Betoch 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 **Keith Gordon Parker (Kalman ben Naomi)**, beloved father of Dorielle Parker, A.J., Tyler and Ashley, father-in-law to Josh Fleet and grandfather to Maayan and Isaac. He passed away in Orlando, FL, surrounded by family and loved ones. We hope to share ways of comforting Dori and her family upon their return to Berkeley.
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Phone-A-Thon 2019 - Help us Meet our Goal: Thank you to all who have pledged. We have raised over \$28,000 of our \$30,000 2019 goal. If you haven't pledged yet, now would be a great time to do so! <https://www.cbiberkeley.org/connect/giving/telethon2019/>
We will include the complete list of donors in our next Chailights bulletin. *Today rabah!* Carol Cunradi and Eliezah Hoffman, Phone-A-Thon Co-Chairs

Looking for Greeters on Shabbat at CBI: I'm not sure if you've been in Shul the past few Shabbatot or seen the previous emails from Issy Kipnis, but we are looking for more volunteers to help greet people outside CBI on Shabbat mornings. Our aim is to greet people at the entrance and make them feel welcome and safe. This has been working really well for the past few weeks and the people who have done this so far have expressed how much they enjoyed doing it. We are asking for a 1-hour commitment to doing a greeting shift once every few months. We are hoping to get a large group of people to do greetings so that we only have to do it a couple times a year. If you have not yet done so, please can you fill out this form to show your interest and availability: <https://goo.gl/forms/R5iEcv5OBTinEYmY2>. If you have spoken to me in person but not yet signed up - please sign up on the form. Thanks and Shabbat Shalom, Noah Nathan.

Open Kiddush Dates: Please email our Kiddush coordinators at kiddush@cbiberkeley.org to sponsor the following open dates:

February 9

February 23 - co-sponsors welcome

April 6 - co-sponsors needed

April 20 (Pesach 1st day)

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

NCSY

Latte and Learning - Monday nights 7:30-8:30 pm @CBI

NCSY Bat Mitzvah Club for 6th and 7th grade girls

Sunday, Jan 27th from 10:30-12 pm at Beth Jacob Congregation

"You are Beautiful": Let's come together and create a masterpiece for ourselves shining our true inner being.

RSVP at: Eastbay.NCSY.org

For more information contact Mielcah Munk - 773 480 7153

NCSY Annual Celebration - Join us for a fun night reflecting on the incredible year of growth for NorCal NCSY this year! Save the date, April 10th!

Grades 9-12

• Check out our newest program on Whatsapp! Join here: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/BSDhZEU0n17it5eXMoss>. This group is so that anyone can share questions they have about Judaism, life, and anything under the sun! Each question = a raffle ticket and one person will be randomly selected weekly to win a \$20 Amazon gift card.

• Get excited for our upcoming events! Tahoe Shabbaton: February 15th.

• Mondays: Latte N Learn in Berkeley

• Tuesdays: Lunch Club at Piedmont High and JCHS and every other Tuesday at Head Royce.

• Fridays: Lunch Club at JCHS

Teen Advocacy Program is starting March 11th! Featuring presentations by leading Jewish advocates, rabbis, and politicians, hands-on lobbying modules, and informative sessions; TAP offers 20 high schoolers the opportunity to gain critical organization, presentation, and leadership skills for political advocacy. They will become well versed in the state government and the legislative process through participation in interactive sessions, focusing on issues of concern to the Jewish community. T.A.P. will close with a lobbying session with politicians in Sacramento.

Grades 6-8

Upcoming event:

• Shabbaton! March 22nd (tentative)

• Tuesdays: Lunch club at OHDS and every other Tuesday at CCJDS.

CBI Young Professional Whisky Tasting Event - February 9, 7:30 pm

Our 2nd Annual Young Professional whisky tasting event. We'll take you on a journey of Scotland's best whisky distilleries, read a little Robbie Burns poetry and have some fun together.

Space is *extremely* limited so sign up as soon as possible. February 9th @ 7:30pm. Cost is \$20 per person - payment via Venmo to @Noah-Nathan-1. 21+ Only.

RSVP required. Sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/CBI-Whisky-2019>

Cost should not be a barrier to coming. If you have any questions around cost, please email M. Victoria (maharatvictoria@gmail.com)

Wine, Cheese & Torah with Rabbi Cohen: Must I Pray for the Welfare of the (American) Government? - February 11, 8:00 pm

Join other Young Professionals at CBI for wine, cheese & Torah with Rabbi Cohen. This month's topic: "Must I Pray for the Welfare of the (American) Government?"

If you cannot make this one but want to show interest for a future event, please let us know.

Location TBC (if you would like to host, please let us know). Please RSVP here: <https://tinyurl.com/Torah-Feb11>

CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL ACCEPTS VEHICLE DONATIONS

IT'S A WIN/WIN FOR YOU AND FOR CBI. Car donations are an easy way to support Congregation Beth Israel, providing you with a tax write-off and with additional funds for our community. We take care of the DMV paperwork, pick up your car, sell it at auction and then send you a receipt for the full amount that the car sold for. It's that easy! We can also accept trucks, boats, motorcycles and RVs.

For more information and to begin the process, please contact Jerry Robbins, robbins42@hotmail.com (650) 766-7233.

In The Community

Saturday, February 2, 2019

7:30 PM - 9:30 PM @Beth Jacob Congregation

Musician-in-Residence with Eitan Katz

\$18 adult/child ticket - Register here: [https://](https://bjcoakland.shulcloud.com/event/musician-in-residence-with-eitan-katz-february-1-2.html)

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Eitan Katz is one of the most well-known names in Jewish music – his spiritual Niggunim have inspired thousands (including many of us at Beth Jacob), and are sung throughout the world: "His heartfelt music may have propelled him to the upper echelons of the Jewish music business, but for Eitan Katz, music isn't about fame, popularity or business. A gift from above that allows each of us to connect with the sparks of holiness that lie deep within ourselves, Eitan sees music as a powerful motivator that fills us with simcha, infuses our lives with spirituality and connects people of all types in an emotional experience like none other." The Musician-in-Residence Weekend is made possible by the generosity of Ephraim & Donna Greenwall.

Kosher Bagel Pop Ups by Grand Bakery! Grand Bakery is continuing its series of bagel pop-ups at the Food Mill, the location of their new production facility. The bagels are boiled and baked, the authentic method, and are certified kosher by Vaad Hakashrus. The bagels are pareve and available in bulk to go, along with lox and cream cheese by the pound. The bagel sandwiches are milchik with cream cheese schmear and can be enjoyed at the Food Mill or to-go. They'll have plain, poppy, sesame and everything bagel flavors plus coffee, tea, fresh squeezed OJ, macaroons, strudel, babka and other Grand Bakery sweet treats. **First Sunday Bagel Pop Ups: February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5. From 8:00 am - 1:00 pm, 3033 MacArthur Blvd @ Maple.** For more information, <https://www.facebook.com/events/309765032989629/>

What Do Rabbis REALLY Believe About G-d? G-d Talk with Rabbis from Across the Jewish Denominations Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 7pm in the Temple Isaiah Social Hall 945 Risa Road, Lafayette, California 94549

Rabbis talk about G-d quite a bit. But what role does G-d play in the lives of our rabbis? Are they adhering, or deviating, from a specific "G-d Belief" that their movement holds as acceptable? Join rabbis from the major Jewish movements to learn their personal G-d beliefs.

- **Rabbi Steven Chester**, Temple Isaiah, Lafayette (Reform)
- **Rabbi Yonatan Cohen**, Congregation Beth Israel, Berkeley (Orthodox)
- **Rabbi Chaya Gusfield**, Kaiser Palliative Care Chaplain (Renewal)
- **Rabbi Rebecca Gutterman**, Congregation B'nai Tikvah, Walnut Creek (Reform)
- **Rabbi Daniel Stein**, Congregation B'nai Shalom, Walnut Creek (Conservative)

Moderated by Dawn Kepler, Founding Director, Building Jewish Bridges. Please bring questions you've always wanted to ask.

This event is free of charge and open to the public.

Light refreshments will be served.

R.S.V.P. at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DAFAD2AA5F49-what>

A Farbregen with R. Naftali Citron: Kabbalah on Living, Aging and Dying - Mon, February 11, 2019, 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM

2942 Claremont Blvd., Berkeley, CA 94705

In Honor of 7 Adar- Birthday and Yahrtzeit of Moshe Rabeinu

An exploration of how living with a soul consciousness can transform our perspective on mortality.

Rabbi Citron has been a popular teacher of Jewish mysticism in the U.S. and abroad for the last 25 years. He is the founder of the Day of Kabbalah and the spiritual leader of the Carlebach Shul, a congregation at the forefront of loving spiritual practice in a non-judgmental atmosphere. He grew up in Berkeley, the son of esteemed Rabbi-Dayan Rabbi Chaim Zev and Shterna Citron, sent by the Rebbe to Berkeley as Shluchim.

Refreshments will be served.

Please join us on Wednesday, February 13th, 4:30 pm to honor

Professor Robert Alter on his epic achievement of the complete translation of the Hebrew Bible. Magnes Collection of Jewish Art and Life, 2121 Allston Way, Berkeley

4:30 pm Roundtable on Bible Translation: Profs. Robert Hass, Ron Hendel, Jonathan Sheehan

5:30 pm Robert Alter Lecture

6:30 pm Light Refreshments

In case you missed some of the recent articles on Professor Alter's major achievement, please see the links below:

www.nytimes.com/2018/12/20/magazine/hebrew-bible-translation.html

www.jweekly.com/2018/11/15/with-epic-literary-translation-of-bible-robert-alter-tops-his-own-achievements/

Beginning Conversational Hebrew is looking for more students to join our ongoing course. This class is directed toward students who can read Hebrew as well as know some vocabulary and simple sentences. Our teacher is Keren Asayag, who is from Israel and is a former Tehiyah Day School teacher. We meet on Mondays from 7:30-8:30PM in the Art Room at Netivot Shalom. The course costs \$200 or less for an 8-10 week session, depending on the number of people. Questions? Contact Bella at bellabaran10@gmail.com.