



Daf Hashavuah

Shabbat Parashat Noach

October 28-29, 2022

This Shabbat

Friday, October 28

6:45AM // Shacharit @ CBI

9AM // Talmudic Wisdom: Tractate Sotah with R. Yonatan Cohen

See below for course description.

5:55PM // Northside Minyan at Sudikoff Home

1209 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley

5:57PM // Candle Lighting

6PM // Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv @ CBI

Saturday, October 29

9AM (no signup required) // Morning Services @ CBI

Greeters:

9-10AM: Rebecca Landes

10-11:15AM: Rebecca Angel

9-11:15AM // Shabbat Youth Programming

Our 3rd and 4th grade program resumes this week!

Ages 0-3 @ CBI loft space

10:40AM parent-and-me tot Shabbat circle

Age 3 -2nd graders @ Gan Shalom

9AM drop off, 10AM program

3rd and 4th graders @ Gan Shalom

10:00AM drop off at the staircase inside the Gan Shalom gate

Kiddush Sponsors:

Rebecca Landes & Ben Rose in memory of Rebecca's sister Carmi Landes

Leslie Valas and Alan Finkelstein in honor of all the kiddushim for yontif

This weekend's Kiddush is sponsored by members of the Eruv Committee (Avraham Burrell; R. Yonatan Cohen & Frayda Gonshor Cohen; Chaya Miriam Fried; Leora Lawton; Jacob Levy; Glenn Massarano; Dr. Gary

Marcus; Howie Miller), in memory of Sam Ginsburg (Shimon Ben David v'Shoshana) z'l: Sam was the leading force behind the establishment and maintenance of the Eruv. With its perimeter of 8.75 miles across Berkeley and Albany, the Eruv covers 2.2 square miles. Almost incredibly, the Eruv has been up and running every Shabbat and Yom Kippur since its creation over 15 years ago.

In Sam's memory, we would be grateful for your contribution made to the Eruv. We ask that you make a minimum contribution of \$126 per household, according to your capabilities, so that we can continue to provide services without interruption. The Eruv is an independent 501(c)3 non-profit. We need to raise \$5,000 annually to pay for our weekly inspectors, supplies, maintenance and expansions.

It's so simple to donate. Just click on the link below to donate online.

<http://berkeleyeruv.org/donate.html>.

Or, send a check payable to the address below.

Gratefully,
Jacob Levy, President
Howie Miller, Treasurer

The Eastbayshore Eruv Corporation
1722 Ward Street
Berkeley, CA 94703
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Kiddush Wine:

Covenant Winery with special thanks to the Morgan Family

5:40PM // Shabbat Mincha and learning with Naama Sadan, "Why Problem-Solving is a Problem and How the Torah Can Help Us."

This will be the first session in our climate series.

Please see the description below.

6:53PM // Maariv, Havdallah, & Shabbat ends

SPONSOR A KIDDUSH

Please email the kiddush coordinator at kiddush@cbiberkeley.org if you'd like to sponsor one of these kiddushim. Donations of any amount can be made on the CBI website, go to the Giving page and select Kiddush from the drop-down menu: <https://www.cbiberkeley.org/connect/giving/>

The following kiddushim currently have no sponsors:

- November 12 - Shabbat Parashat Vayeira
- December 17 - Shabbat Parashat Vayeshev
- December 27 - Shabbat Parashat Mikeitz (Chanukah)

This Week

Sunday, October 30

6:45AM // Shacharit @ CBI

4:55PM // Mincha/Ma'ariv @CBI

Monday-Thursday, October 31-November 3

6:45AM // Shacharit @ CBI

4:55PM // Mincha/Ma'ariv @CBI

Friday, November 4

6:45AM // Shacharit @ CBI

Weekly Classes & Events

Tuesdays // 12PM // in person @ CBI

Topics in Talmud: Baba Kamma, Perek HaChovel
Rabbanit Meira Wolkenfeld

The eighth chapter of tractate Baba Kamma deals with compensation for personal injury. It begins with a discourse on the verse “an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth” which the rabbis of the Talmud interpret as referring to the requirement of monetary compensation. They struggle with whether their interpretations of the verse are convincing, providing a model for thinking about difficult biblical passages. The chapter deals with topics relevant to creating a just society in the modern world, including retributive versus restorative justice, and how to conceptualize and calculate compensation for shame.

Tuesdays // 1PM // in person @ CBI

CBI's Mah Jongg group meets weekly and is open to players that know how to play and already have their National Mah Jongg Play Card. Beginners are welcome to join as well, Marti Zedeck will be teaching every Tuesday. To join, please be in touch with Marti.

Thursday, November 3 // 3PM // via CBI Zoom ([click here](#))

Foundational Halachic Sources on Abortion

Rabbanit Leah Sarna

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Fridays // 9AM // in person @ CBI

Talmudic Wisdom: Tractate Sotah

Rabbi Yonatan Cohen

Tractate Sotah primarily explains the ritual of the bitter water, a trial by ordeal of a woman suspected of adultery by providing close Halakhic readings of biblical verses. Rich in Aggadic references, Sotah also includes material relating to central biblical figures and events. Time and time again, talmudic discussions offer a lens into the rabbis' views on religious, moral, and theological questions, delving into major themes, such as the futility of sinning in secret, the harmfulness of pride, the evil of flattery, divine retribution, and the superiority of the service of God from love over the service from fear. What starts as an analysis of marital infidelity ultimately turns into a profound reflection on Israel's own infidelity and the state of deterioration into which the Jewish people sank in the period immediately before and after the fall of the Temple. **Class starts October 28.**

Upcoming Highlights

Shabbat Climate Series

October 29, December 3, January 28, and March 25

Join us for a year-long speaker series on the critical realities of climate change. Join us on Shabbat afternoons as we hear from Naama Sadan, Adam Berman, Rabbi Ariel Mayse, and Dr. Joel Gerwein. Our first session will take place **this Shabbat, October 29.**



Saturday October 29 // After Shabbat Mincha, 5:40PM @ CBI

Naama Sadan

Why Problem-Solving is a Problem and How the Torah Can Help Us

The most prominent approach to the climate crisis is a policy-scientific-based approach that looks for problems and solutions. What if we look for problems and solutions in part because of the anxiety the crisis provokes and our need for control? What happens when we understand that this might be

beyond our control? In this talk, we will ask: Why should Jews bring climate change into shuls? We will discuss how a spiritual-religious framing can provide support.

Naama Sadan is in her last year of a doctoral program in environmental policy and organizational behavior at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. In the last two years, she has been teaching climate change and Jewish spirituality at the **Einayech Yonim Fellowship**. She also runs an intentional flowers studio, where you can learn about Jewish color theory and flower arrangement, and teaches generative spiritual writing for well-being inspired by the Yemima Avital method.

Abortion and Halachah Zoom Series

Thursdays // November 3, 10, and 17 // 12:00pm on CBI Zoom



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Thursday, November 10 // 12:00pm

A Conversation with Journalist Avital Chizhik-Goldschmidt and Rabbanit Meira Wolkenfeld Reporting on Abortions in the Orthodox Community

Avital Chizhik-Goldschmidt is a writer whose work has appeared in The Atlantic, The New York Times, and elsewhere. Her 2018 article "My Dark Secret," which appeared in The Forward, shared the stories of Orthodox women who have undergone abortions.



Thursday, November 17 // 12:00pm

Rabbi Jeffrey Fox

Abortion in Modern Responsa: Rav Moshe and the Tzitz Eliezer

Rabbi Jeffrey S. Fox is Rosh HaYeshiva and Dean of Faculty at Yeshivat Maharat. He was the first graduate of Yeshivat Chovevei Torah. Upon graduation he served as the Rabbi of Kehilat Keshet: The Community Synagogue of Tenafly and Englewood. Rabbi Fox is a Senior Rabbinic Fellow of the Shalom Hartman Institute and has also been a member of the faculty of the Drisha Institute, the Florence Melton Adult Education School, and Hadar.

Shabbat Scholar-In-Residence



November 11-12

Rabbi Yair Silverman

Rabbi Yair Silverman is co-founder and Rabbi of Moed in Zichron Yaakov, Israel. Moed brings together secular and religious Israelis in the Carmel region in study and social action to reimagine and generate passionate and shared Jewish life in modern Israel. He also serves as a judge on the Rabbinic court of Giyur K'halacha for conversions. R. Yair is an active member of the Rabbinic organizations Beit Hillel, Tzohar, International Rabbinic Fellowship, and Rabbinical Council of America, and serves on the Rabbinic Advisory Board of Yeshivat Chovevei Torah. Before making aliyah in 2006, R. Yair served as the Rabbi of Congregation Beth Israel. R. Yair is ordained by Rabbainu Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary of Yeshiva University, studied at Yeshivat Birkat Moshe, and served in a combat unit of the IDF. He holds an M.A. in Jewish Philosophy and B.A. in Western Thought from Yeshiva University. R. Yair is looking forward to spending time with friends new and old in the CBI community.

Women's Tefillah

Please join us **NEXT SHABBAT** for our first Women's Minchah of the year!

November 5 // 5:00PM

Mincha, Torah reading, and learning will be led by CBI and OHDS teens.

Mincha will be followed by women's seudat shlishit, singing, and learning.

To sponsor Women's Seudat Shlishit please reach out to Rabbanit Meira at rabbanit@cbiberkeley.org. Seudat Shlishit can be sponsored fully for \$250, or in part for \$50, \$100, or \$180. Contributions can be submitted on [the giving page](#). Choose "general fund" from the drop-down menu and include a memo for "seudat shlishit." Alternatively, we welcome payments:

- by check to "Congregation Beth Israel, 1630 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, CA 94703"
- through Zelle (office@cbiberkeley.org)
- or through Venmo (@CBI-Berkeley last four digits of our phone 9444)

Youth Announcements

- Thank you to our youth staff who are working hard to create an exciting and engaging Shabbat program at Gan! You can check out the Shabbat groups schedule [here](#).
- We ask that parents dropping kids off at Gan leave their kids at the baby gate inside the Gan gate. Please refrain from loitering at Gan or visiting your kids while they are at groups.
- We are **so excited** to relaunch our **3rd and 4th grade group this Shabbat!** 3rd and 4th graders can be dropped off at 10:00AM with Marganit at the staircase inside the Gan gate.
- TEENS! Teen girls ages 12-18 are invited to a special lunch on November 5th. Please RSVP to Dr. Tamara Beliak at tbeliak@ohds.org.

Lifecycle Announcements

Mazal Tov!

Mazal tov to Noah Katler, who will be celebrating his bar mitzvah at Netivot Shalom on October 29. Deb Fink, Aaron Katler and their family will be at CBI for Kabbalat Shabbat and would love for you to join them! Services with the community will begin at 6:00pm on Friday, October 28.

General Community Announcements

Enrollment at Gan Shalom Preschool for 2023-2024 is now open! Applications are being accepted for our beloved preschool's academic year 2023-2024. Please schedule a tour of Gan Shalom with our director, Emma Schnur (director@ganshalomberkeley.org). Applications can be filled out on the Gan website. CBI members are granted priority enrollment if applying by December 16.

Quarterly Sheymot Day (10/24 9am to 4pm): Four times a year, Sinai Memorial Chapel Chevra Kadisha receives discarded sacred items such as prayer books, siddurim, benchers, machzors for burial at Eternal Home Cemetery (1051 El Camino Real, Colma), Home of Eternity (5000 Piedmont Ave, Oakland) and Gan Shalom Cemetery (1100 Bear Creek Road, Briones). We will accept all eligible items at our cemeteries from 9am to 4pm on Monday, October 24, 2022. Items may not be dropped off at any of our funeral home offices or otherwise left unattended. **Please note all items need to be eligible, non secular, biodegradable only, boxed neatly in cardboard**, For more information, Lisa Finkelstein at finkelstein@sinaichapel.org or (415)921-3636.

American Friends of Magen David Adom presents: Music & Medics

A concert featuring MDA EMT and world-renowned cantor and singer Shai Abramson

Wednesday, November 16 @ Beth Jacob Congregation, Oakland

VIP Reception 7:00 p.m. • Doors open 7:30 p.m. (General Admission) • Concert 8:00 p.m.

Tickets \$54/students \$10
<https://afmda.org/event/musicbayarea/>

Vehicle Donation to CBI: Donating your car, truck or boat is easy; any assets are welcome (jewelry, coins, etc.). We'll provide free pick-up, and your gift is tax-deductible and will benefit Gan Shalom's Scholarship Fund. We will provide release of liability, DMV and IRS documents, and handle any title, or ticket issues. Call Morton Thomas Rand at (650) 629-4000 or email mtrans25@yahoo.com.

CBI AT THE SHELTER: CBI has been making regular donations in lieu of meals. Please donate to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund and indicate "shelter dinner".

The Berkeley Eruv: Berkeley's Eruv status is posted every Friday generally by 1:30PM. For the Eruv's map and more information, please consult <https://www.berkeleyeruv.org/>

Stay Connected

CBI Connected Families

To join a WhatsApp group sharing ideas for caring and creative parenting please contact the **CBI office**.