

CONGREGATION
ADATH JESHURUN



**Welcome to Shabbat services
at Adath Jeshurun.**

Congregation Adath Jeshurun is an inclusive, egalitarian Conservative synagogue. All are welcome irrespective of gender, race, or sexual orientation. We welcome dual-faith families who want to be involved in the Jewish community.

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SHABBAT AHAREI MOT

May 3, 4, 2024 • 26 Nisan 5784

TORAH

Exodus 17:1 – 18:30
Numbers 28:19-25
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Ezekiel 22:1 – 22:19
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SERVICE SCHEDULE

Shabbat Aharei Mot (May 4, 2024 | 26 Nisan 5784)

Kabbalat Shabbat 6:15 PM
Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 AM
Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah 7:40 PM

Yom HaShoah (May 5, 6, 2024 | 28 Nisan 5784)

Sunday Evening:

Community-wide Service and Program at
Old York Road Temple-Beth Am (no service at AJ) 7:00 PM

Monday Morning

Morning Service 7:20 AM

Rosh Hodesh Iyar (May 8, 9, 2024 | 30 Nisan, 1 Iyar 5784)

Wednesday and Thursday Morning Services 7:00 AM

Shabbat Kedoshim (May 11, 2024 | 3 Iyar 5784)

Kabbalat Shabbat with Strings Attached 6:15 PM
Mothers Day edition with ice cream truck!
Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 AM
Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah 7:50 PM

REGULAR WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Evenings (in person and via Zoom)
Sunday through Thursday: 7:00 PM

Mornings (in person and via Zoom)
Sunday: 9:00 AM; Monday and Thursday: 7:20 AM;
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday: 7:30 AM

Yahrzeits

May 4, 2024 to May 10, 2024
26 Nisan 5784 to 2 Iyar 5784

Passed away this week:

Irving Gottenberg, father of Karen (Mark) Cuker

Abraham Abramowitz	Mrs. Lynda Gross	Rose Schiff
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Nan Brouse	Leonard Lane	Tanchen Steiman
Carrie Burger	William A. Levick	Harry I. Stern
Harold M. Carson	Ann Liebowitz	Julius Stern
Ida Chipin	Anna Lipkin	Minnie Goldenberg Straus
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Dr. Stanley Green	David M. Robinson	
Anna B. Greenberg	Dr. David Alan Russell	
	Mark Saltzman	

REMINDER: All services are now in person at AJ and available via Zoom. Please continue to register for Friday evening and Saturday morning services by going to tinyurl.com/Services-May24 or by using the service sign-up form link in the weekly email or on the AJ website. Your registration will help keep the building secure. Thank you!

Prayer for Our Country and Our World

Rav Shai Cherry

May it be Your will *Adonai Eloheinu v'Elohei avoteinu*,
That the leaders and advisors stewarding our planet
Be graced with Your light and wisdom.

May the insight that every human is created in Your image
Animate our pursuit of liberty and justice for all,
And give to bigotry no sanction.

May our leaders wed justice to mercy as they contend
With emerging challenges and dire threats.

May our government's checks and balances safeguard the ideals and
Free institutions which are the pride and glory of our country.

May our leaders forsake immediate gratification to pursue long-term weal.
May they be faithful to our founders' motto: *E pluribus unum*,
To promote conditions for a common bond in true harmony.

"He has told you what it is to be good.
What the Lord demands from you:

Only this—Do justice and lovingkindness,
And walk modestly with your God."

Bless us, O Lord, with the fortitude to free the fettered, raise the fallen,
Straighten the bent, bind the wounded, and heal the afflicted.

May rivers of righteousness overflow, sprouting seeds of justice along the banks,
Until peace fills the earth as water fills the sea.

As our ancestors responded to God's call,
So will we, together, *Hineinu*.

Prayer for the State of Israel

אָבִינוּ שְׁבַשְׁמִים, צוֹר יִשְׂרָאֵל וְגוֹאֲלוֹ, בְּרַךְ אֶת מְדִינַת יִשְׂרָאֵל, רֵאשִׁית
צְמִיחַת גְּאֻלְתָּנוּ. הִגְו עָלֶיךָ בְּאֶבְרַת חֲסֵדְךָ וּפְרוּס עָלֶיךָ סִפְתָּ שְׁלוֹמְךָ

*Avinu she-ba-shamayim, tzur Yisrael v'go-alo bareikh et m'dinat yisrael,
reishit tz'mihat g'ulateinu. Hagein aleha b'evrat hasdekha, u-f'ros aleha
sukkat sh'lomekha.*

Avinu she-ba-shamayim, stronghold and redeemer of the people Israel:
Bless the State of Israel, the beginning of our redemption. Shield it with
your love; spread over it the canopy of your peace.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, May 5: Shoah Seder. "Throughout the generations, each of us is commanded to see ourselves as if we were in Nazi Europe." On May 5, from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM, AJ will be hosting its first Shoah Seder. This unique program utilizes the methods of the Pesach Seder and combines them with the history of the Shoah to create an unforgettable powerful experience. There will be a \$25 charge per person, 13 years and older, and a strict limit on the number of participants. **Registration is closed.**

Sunday, May 5: Community Yom HaShoah Service at Old York Road Temple-Beth Am. The Kehillah of Old York Road will present its 24th Annual Yom HaShoah service on Sunday, May 5, at 7:00 PM. Old York Road Temple-Beth Am will host George Marcus, a Holocaust survivor, who will share his poignant family narrative during Kristallnacht, "The Night of Broken Glass." Following the program, a Ma'ariv Service will be led by Rabbi Hazzan Howard K. Glantz. Before or after the program, visit Beth Am's Holocaust Exhibit: The Gilbert Tabby z"l Collection of Jewish Life in Europe Under Nazi Rule. Registration required by Friday, May 3. Click here to register. There will not be an evening service at AJ. Old York Road Temple-Beth Am is located at 971 Old York Road, Abington, PA 19001. 7:00 PM

Thursday, May 9: Grandparents Group with Dr. Robert Vogel. In many of our sessions over the years we have talked about our grandchildren's emotional growth and ability to handle challenges. This session will not only discuss that aspect of our grandchildren's emotional healthy growth but give us practical ways to engage our them and help them explore their world as we learn more about them. Our presenter is our own Bob Vogel, a lifelong member of AJ. Bob has dedicated his life to the empowerment of youth through education. As a professor of 43 years, Bob has spent the majority of his life in the world of education and has created a deep positive impact on many students from around the world. Bob has written a book called *Wondering*. It explores the feelings and emotions of children and how to help them gain resilience. To learn more and to register, go to <https://tinyurl.com/AJEP-RSVP>.

Friday, May 10: Kabbalat Shabbat with Strings Attached. Unplug from a busy week with an acoustic Shabbat service led by Hazzan Howard Glantz with familiar tunes that will put a smile on your face and a song in your heart. For all ages, from babies to bobbies. Bring your friends for this relaxed, casual, and enjoyable service! ***Since it's almost Mothers Day, we're planning a special night for mothers. In addition to an upscaled oneg and an ice cream truck, every family that registers and attends will be entered into a raffle to win a photo portrait sitting with Skip Atkins.*** 6:15 PM. Use the May Online Services Form to register.

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Tuesday, May 14 : Film Screening of *Ben-Gurion, Epilogue*. At AJ. In honor of Israel Independence Day, Americans for Ben-Gurion University and AJ will be screening *Ben-Gurion, Epilogue*, winner of the Israeli Ophir Award (the Israeli Oscars) for Best Documentary Film. The event will feature a special guest: Sam Katz, award-winning documentary film producer and Mid-Atlantic Co-Chair, Americans for Ben-Gurion University. In the depths of the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev archive, six hours of interview footage was discovered of one of modern history's greatest leaders — David Ben-Gurion. It is 1968, and he is 82 years old, five years before his death. His introspective soul searching provides a surprising vision for today's crucial decisions and the future of Israel. 7:30 PM: Dessert Reception, sponsored by Violet Zeitlin and Claire Winick; 8:00 PM: Program and Screening. For more information about this event and Americans for Ben-Gurion University, contact Claire Winick at claire@a4bgu.org. Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/AJ-Ben-Gurion>.

Wednesday, May 15: Through Her Words: Mizrahi Judaism, Featuring Israeli Poet Adi Keissar at Beth Sholom. Join congregations Kol Ami, Beth Sholom, and AJ for an evening with Adi Keissar, Israeli poet, artistic director, journalist, and lecturer based in Tel Aviv. She will discuss her experiences growing up in Israel, her family's Yemenite background, becoming a poet, and how personal identity impacts culture in Israel. To register, go to <https://tinyurl.com/poet-adi-051524>. Find out more about Adi at <https://www.adathjeshurun.info/rsvp.html>. The speaker is brought to us through Venture Israel Fellowship, a project of the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia in partnership with the Jewish Learning Venture. At 7:30 PM at Beth Sholom, 8231 Old York Road, Elkins Park, PA.

Sunday, June 2, 2024: AJ Annual Fundraiser (“SPEC”). This year, AJ's annual fundraiser will honor beloved congregants David and Shari Seltzer! You'll be entertained by internationally renowned performer Modi. Voted one of the top 10 comedians in New York City by *The Hollywood Reporter*, Modi is one of the comedy circuit's most sought-after performers. Featured on HBO, CBS, NBC, ABC, Comedy Central, Howard Stern, and E! Entertainment, Modi has received rave reviews in *The New York Times*, *Time Out NY*, and *The New York Post*. Now a regular performer at the New York and Los Angeles comedy clubs, Modi also headlines around the country and across the globe. Modi has played himself on HBO's *Crashing* and Netflix's *When Jews Were Funny*. He's also appeared in several feature films and played leading roles in two: *Waiting for Woody Allen*, which won the LA Film Festival, and *Stand Up*, a feature-length film. In 2018, Mayor Bill De Blasio declared June 26 “Mordechi Modi Rosenfeld Day” in the city of New York for his accomplishments and contributions to the artistic community. Minyan at 6:15 PM; Doors open at 6:45 PM; Program will begin promptly at 7:00 PM. A dessert reception will follow.

In lieu of a printed ad book this year, AJ is going green again! We will be displaying digital copies of ads at AJ on the evening of June 2 and

thereafter, on the AJ website. The ads will also be available for viewing on the AJ website for several weeks following the event. In addition, flash drives will be available upon request. We are grateful for your support of Congregation Adath Jeshurun. Tribute Journal submissions cannot be accepted after Wednesday, May 22. Photographs, logos, camera-ready, or electronically delivered artwork are acceptable. Please provide all electronic images at the highest resolution possible. Artwork will be returned upon request. Artwork should be emailed to: mtrager@adathjeshurun.info. Please put “Tribute Journal” in the subject line of your email.

Tuesday, June 4: 166th Annual Meeting. Please join us on Tuesday, June 4, to celebrate this past synagogue year and to inaugurate the new one! We will be installing a new president of the congregation and a dinner will precede evening minyan and the meeting. Dinner (by reservation): 5:30 PM; Minyan and Annual Meeting: 7:00 PM, followed by a Dessert Reception. To register, go to tinyurl.com/AJ-166meeting. Please reply for the dinner by Friday, May 24. The cost of the dinner is \$25 per person.

Thursday, June 13: Rise Against Hunger Packing Event. Join us in the Orleans Auditorium from 5:00 to 7:00 PM to help pack food for the food-insecure! We have space for 40 to 80 people, of any age. Rise Against Hunger (RAH) is a non-profit organization based in New York that sends food to areas of our world that are significantly impacted by hunger and malnutrition. Adath Jeshurun has raised money to host an event for packing meals that RAH will send out to 10,000 people in regions of the world where hunger is a major issue*. To register, go to <https://tinyurl.com/AJ-RAH-061324>. Please note: we have raised all of the funds necessary to support this event but when you register, feel free to contribute to the RAH packaging event we are planning for next spring. *RAH does not get involved in regions where war would inhibit distribution. Therefore, these meals won't be going to Gaza, for example.

Tuesday, June 18: AJMA Trip to the Jewish Heritage Night Phillies Game. *This event is sold out!*

Orange County Community Scholar Program (CSP). AJ, dedicated to the Jewish value of learning for its own sake (*Torah lishmah*), has a partnership with the Orange County Community Scholar Program (CSP). You can find details on the May programs and the presenters, as well as register, at <https://occcsp.net/csp-online-zoom-events/>. If you register and can't attend, a link will be sent after the event to a recording.

NEW! We have launched a new page on our website called “AJ Community Bulletin Board.” In blog format, we'll be letting you know about things we think may be of interest to you. You'll find non-AJ events that are happening in the Elkins Park community and beyond, thoughts from Rav Shai, content concerning Israel, etc. Check it out at <https://www.adathjeshurun.info/bulletinboard!>

Congregation Adath Jeshurun

Established in 1858, our congregation was one of the founding members of the United Synagogue of America. Men and women worship with equal standing in our services which, while grounded in Jewish tradition, seek to respond to the modern intellectual, spiritual, and aesthetic needs of today's congregants. In 2004, our congregational family grew with the addition of Oxford Circle Jewish Community Centre-Brith Israel. Our unique prayer book, *Seder Avodah*, was compiled, edited, and translated by Rabbi Max D. Klein, of blessed memory, who was our spiritual leader from 1910 until 1960. It was extensively revised and reissued under the direction of Rabbi Seymour Rosenbloom in 2008, as part of our 150th Anniversary year, and dedicated by Marvin N. and Mildred W. Demchick.

As members of the Conservative movement, we expect all men to wear a *kippah*/head covering during religious services. Jewish men are further requested to wear a *tallit*/prayer shawl during morning services. Women are also encouraged to observe these practices. Both men and women are required to wear a head covering when ascending the *bima*, particularly when called to the Torah for an *aliyah*. We request that you enter or exit the sanctuary only when the congregation is seated.

If you must have your cell phone with you, please silence it. Smoking is not permitted in the building or on the grounds. Guests are reminded that photography is not permitted on Shabbat.

We offer an audio enhancement system. Please ask an usher for a personal headset and receiver. The systems are to be returned to the ushers prior to leaving the synagogue. Please note that a large-print *Seder Avodah* is also available from the ushers.

We at Adath Jeshurun are proud of our award-winning religious, education, music, and youth programs, and our nationally accredited preschool. Our congregation offers a full calendar of religious, educational, and cultural events through Men's and Women's Associations, Adult Education, Social Action (AJ Acts), L'olam (Judaism and the environment), and B'Bayit (catering) committees.



Contributions to Adath Jeshurun to honor B' Mitzvah celebrations, births, weddings, or in memory of loved ones is greatly accepted.
Please contact the office for more information.