

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 BEHAR

May 24, 25, 2024 • 17 Iyar 5784

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TORAH READERS

Mindy Goldstein Susan Novack
Donna Levin Rav Hazzan Howard Glantz

HAFTARAH READER

Donna Levin

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Shabbat Behar (May 25, 2024 | 17 Iyar 5784)

Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 AM
Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah 8:00 PM

Memorial Day (observed) (May 27, 2024 | 19 Iyar 5784)

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Shabbat Behukotai (June 1, 2024 | 24 Iyar 5784)

Kabbalat Shabbat 6:15 PM
Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 AM
Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah 8:05 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

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, tinyurl.com/Services-June24 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!

Yahrzeits

May 25, 2024 to May 31, 2024
17 Iyar 5784 to 24 Iyar 5784

Passed away this week:

Alan Leibovitz, husband of Bonnie Leibovitz

Eugene S. Anathan	Charles Isenberg	Sadie Sternberg Reiss
Maurice Asher	Florence F. Kendall	Ida Rosen
Joseph Barg	Mollie Kins	Rebecca Rubin
Edith Levinson Bernstein	Allan Edward Koff	Benjamin Schepp
Joseph Levi Bloch	Mildred Koven	Alexander J. Schmerling
Golda Caplan	Anna Kwass	Dr. Alvin J. Schragar
Irene Carasso	Margaret Leidner	Jonas Schwartz
Irwin Cohen	Jacob Harry Levick	Rose Bacharach Sickles
Martin Cohen	Reba Levin	Florence Singer
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Arthur Dyshel	Eva S. Levine	Dr. Harry S. Snyderman
Gladys Eilberg	Hannah P. Levy	Blanche M. Solis
Maurice Eisner	Dorothy A. Lipschutz	Abram Louis Spector
Cherna Eskin	Rose Loewenstein	Lena Starr
Jacob Fein	Jacob Moog	Evelyn Fleishman Stockler
Henry Reeves Fisher	Bernard Louis Moskowitz	Chaye Golde Sugarbread
Hyman Garfield	Samuel D. Oberfield	Reva Tobotsnick
Millie Gelber	Charles Ostrow	Nathan Tollin
William Jay Goldner	Rose D. Ostrum	Arthur Wallach
Pauline Gottlieb	Barbara Pfeffer	Nathan Weisfeld
Thelma Greenbaum	Melvin Polak	Norman Weiss
Harry Gross	Augusta B. Price	Dorothy Wohl
Perch P. Hankin	Dr. Abraham Morton Rechtman	Harry Yohlin
Zise Heifetz		

Making Donations to AJ's Funds

Please go to the AJ website (www.CongregationAJ.org) to learn about and/or donate to one of AJ's funds or to the Congregation's Torah. Alternatively, you can call the AJ office at 215.635.6611.

PARASHAT BEHAR

Larry and Lynda Gross

in honor of the birth of our granddaughter,
Haley Ilana Shilliday

MAFTIR



BIBLICAL SYMBOLS, PATRIARCHS, AND MATRIARCHS



ALIYOT



P'SUKIM

Ruth and Morton Goren, Ruth and Robert Lipschutz,
and Anita and Robert Feld — Leviticus 25:2
in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary
of Marian and William Karsic

Shirley and Stanley Tauber — Leviticus 25:35
in honor of our children

Shirley and Stanley Tauber — Leviticus 25:36
in honor of our grandchildren



BIBLICAL NAMES

Andrea, Steven, Eva Jeanne, Jack and Eli Tanenbaum — Moses
in honor of Dr. MARRY E. LEVY

The Congregation's Torah

The image above highlights the donations to the Congregation's Torah that have been made in the past years, related to this week's Torah portion (Parashat Hashavua). Visit www.CongregationAJ.org for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, May 28: CSP Exclusive Book Launch: *The Madwoman in the Rabbi's Attic*, by Gila Fine/Rav Shai Interview with the Author. How does the Talmud portray its heroines? Why are they never as they first seem? And what does this tell us about the rabbis' views of marriage, sex, childbirth, and what it means to be a woman in the world? In this first international launch of her new book, Gila Fine sits down with Rav Shai to discuss the stories of six talmudic heroines, how to read them, and why she came to write about them. Join us for this exclusive Orange County Community Scholars Program event. RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/CSP-Gila-Fine>. 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM (via Zoom).

Tuesday, May 28: Bereavement Support Group with Rav Hazzan Glantz. Rav Hazzan Glantz leads this monthly gathering specifically designed to foster a secure, confidential, and non-judgmental environment that encourages individuals to freely express their emotions. Irrespective of the time elapsed since one's loss, everyone is welcome to participate, as there are no qualifying or disqualifying criteria. A warm invitation is extended to everyone interested in attending these meetings. A warm invitation is extended to everyone interested in attending these meetings. Feel free to contact Rav Hazzan Glantz in advance with any questions (hglantz@gmail.com or 215.635.6611, ext. 122). Following evening minyan at 7:30 PM at AJ. (**Note change of date.**) (Next date: June 26.)

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

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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. A limited number of tickets remain. (The ad submission deadline has passed.)

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.

Summer Wednesdays, beginning June 5: Walking with Wonder. Are you looking for ways to connect with friends and nature? Walk with us! Meet Beth Shapiro at AJ in the downstairs lobby at 6:00 PM...walking, talking, silence, and nature-watching welcome! Bring your children, bring a pet, or bring a friend! Walks will be one mile or less, weather permitting. Wednesdays, through August 21.

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.

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

Friday, June 21: 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! Then stay for Oneg Shabbat (lite dinner bites and gathering with friends). Register using the June Online Service Sign-Up form. 6:15 PM

Friday, June 28: Devotion by the Ocean. Kabbalat Shabbat at the beach, with a live band...what could be better? For more information, please visit www.ShiratHayamNJ.org or call 609.822.7116. Newport Avenue Beach, Ventnor, NJ 08406 (behind the Ventnor Library). Presented by Shirat Hayam Downbeach Synagogue, Ventnor, NJ. Devotion by the Ocean dates this summer: June 28 (C), July 5 (C), July 19(C), August 16 (R), and August 23 (C). C = Conservative; R = Reform.

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://occsp.net/csp-online-zoom-events/>. If you register and can't attend, a link will be sent after the event to a recording.

Take a look at the 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!>

TO RSVP: You can find most AJ events on the **Events and RSVP webpage** on the AJ website. Go to www.CongregationAJ.org and click on "Events and RSVP" in the top menu bar. This page lists upcoming events and their descriptions. Just click on the event name (in blue) to go to the registration form.

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.

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. הִגֵּן עָלֶיךָ בְּאַבְרַת חֶסֶדְךָ וּפְרוּס עָלֶיךָ סֶכֶת 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.