



Brotherhood Synagogue קהילה קדושה בית אחים



Weekly Email September 20, 2017

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We wish all our members and friends
health, happiness, and peace in 5778!



Shabbat Services

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Candle Lighting at 6:35 pm

Friday, August September 22, 6:30 pm**

Oneg is sponsored by Mark Edlitz & Suzie Shapiro
on the occasion of Benjamin's Bar Mitzvah

****Please note the new start time**

Saturday, September 23 9:30 am

Kiddush is sponsored by Mark Edlitz & Suzie Shapiro
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Bar Mitzvah of Michael Feeney at 6:30 pm

Weekly Portion: Ha'azinu

Upcoming Events

High Holy Days 5778 at Brotherhood

Erev Rosh Hashanah **Wednesday, September 20**

Rosh Hashanah 1st Day **Thursday, September 21**

Rosh Hashanah 2nd Day **Friday, September 22**

Kol Nidre **Friday, September 29**

Yom Kippur Day **Saturday, September 30**

[Click here](#) for the full list of services times.

Life Goes On Book Club

Monday, September 25, 7:00 pm

We're reading *The Portable Veblen* by Elizabeth McKenzie and NYU Professor Margaret Birns will guide our discussion as always. Wine and dessert will be served. **Cost to participate is \$20** which is non-refundable. Please [always RSVP to Aggie](#) if you wish to attend.

Life Goes On is a group for those of us who have lost a spouse or life partner and want to experience the beauty, joy, and opportunity that New York life offers surrounded by supportive friends who understand and share in the loss. If you or someone you know would like to be a part of LGO, please contact [Agnes Marton](#) or [Roberta](#) in the synagogue office.

Brotherhood Book Club

Thursday, September 28, 7:00 pm

Joan Simon will lead a discussion of Jodi Picoult's *Small Great Things*. All are welcome to join the Brotherhood Book Club - please contact [Margie Katz](#) for further details.

Pizza in the Hut

Tuesday, October 10, 5:30 pm

Rabbi Alder, Cantor Yager, and Phil Rothman invite all Brotherhood kids and their families to join them in the sukkah for a slice and to say the blessings over the meal and the lulav and etrog! It is a mitzvah to eat together in the Sukkah during the seven days of Sukkot! No need to RSVP. Hope to see you there

Shabbat Club

Saturday, October 14, 1:00 pm

Lesley Sachs, Executive Director of Women of the the Wall (WOW), will lead a discussion on religious pluralism in Israel and gender equality at the Kotel (The Western Wall in Jerusalem). Women of the Wall (WOW) is a group of women who have asserted women's right to pray at the Western Wall in Jerusalem since 1988. As stated on [their web site](#), ". . . our central mission is to attain social and legal recognition of our right, as women, to wear prayer shawls, pray, and read from the Torah, collectively and aloud, at the Western Wall." The women's monthly prayer has been met with violent opposition from Orthodox worshippers, both male and female. Similar violence has also met Reform and Conservative congregations of Jews which have attempted to pray near the Western Wall in mixed prayer groups of men and women. All are welcome to join us at Shabbat Club for this topical conversation in the Reception Room on the 2nd floor opposite the Sanctuary. Snacks and beverages provided.

Screening: *Hate Spaces*

Sunday, October 15, 4:30 pm

Hate Spaces, a documentary film by Americans for Peace and Tolerance, examines how anti-Semitism has become fashionable at many American universities through ongoing academic delegitimization of Israel and the normalization of hatred in the name of social justice. Q&A and discussion to follow.

Sponsored by the Israel Committee.
[More details](#)

Fifteenth Annual Chuck Ginsburg Memorial Blood Drive and BeThe Match Bone Marrow Drive

Sunday, October 22, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

In the loving spirit of Chuck Ginsburg's life, the Brotherhood Synagogue, the Social Action Committee and Chuck's family are proud to sponsor the Fourteenth Annual Chuck Ginsburg Memorial Blood Drive.
[More details and sign up to donate blood here](#)

Adult Education at Brotherhood Fall 2017/5778

Join a class, meet others from our community, learn something new!

This semester the Rabbi will teach a class on Midrash, the Cantor will teach about the role of the Shaliach Tzibur, and our special Intensive Learning Class on Wednesday evenings will be instruction in all things Mussar. Phil Rothman will also be teaching his wide ranging courses on Bible, Hebrew and Jewish Current Events.

[Please click here to see the list of courses we are offering this semester and register!](#)

Ushers Needed during the High Holy Days

Seeking Ushers for the High Holy Days!

Ushering during the High Holy Days is a great contribution to the Synagogue and a great way to get to know our community better.

Please volunteer for this important task at upcoming 5778 High Holy Day services. You can choose to volunteer for just one or any number of shifts during High Holy Day services by [using THIS LINK](#) to sign up or you may call the office to volunteer.

We are holding two Usher Orientation Meetings: Thursday, September 14 at 6:30 pm or Tuesday, September 19 at 5:30 pm. We ask that all usher volunteers attend one of these meetings to understand your role and to answer any questions you may have.

If you have any further questions, please contact either of our Ushers Committee co-Chairs:

Richard Breier: Richard.Breier@BreierGroup.com

Sam Breier: Samuel.Breier@BreierGroup.com

Thanks in advance to all our volunteers.

Mazon Corners of our Fields Campaign

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On this Yom Kippur, we ask that you make a contribution to MAZON: a Jewish Response to Hunger for its support of programs which help feed the hungry in NYC, throughout the US, Israel, and the world. Our tradition provides that the "corner of our fields; and the gleanings of our harvest be left for the poor." MAZON envelopes are available in the Synagogue, or you can donate online at www.mazon.org.

Havurah Kick Off at Brotherhood in the New Year

Join a group of friends to celebrate Jewish life together!

[Complete the survey and participate](#)

The word "Havurah" comes from the Hebrew word "Haver", meaning a friend. A Havurah is a group of Brotherhood Synagogue members who join together to enrich their lives and to reinforce the spirit of Judaism in themselves and their children. Each Havurah becomes a

small community of congenants who meet in each other's homes to study, socialize and/or celebrate Jewish life together. The Havurah provides an opportunity for personal and spiritual growth. Fill out the form to participate!

Shabbat Corner Class for 3-5 Year Olds Aleph Bet Club Junior Congregation All start October 7!

SHABBAT CORNER for 3-5 year olds and their Parents

Saturdays beginning October 7 at 9:45 am!

Through song, dance, storytelling and arts and crafts projects, children are introduced to Jewish life and Shabbat at Brotherhood's Shabbat Corner class on Saturday mornings. The experience is both fun and educational and each week concludes with a Kiddush snack. This year Shabbat Corner will be led by the amazing Mira Shaar of the Nursery School!

Please visit the [Early Childhood Programs](#) page on the Brotherhood website for cost and to register.



10:30 am Junior Congregation for 3rd grade & up led by Phil Rothman

11:00 am Aleph-Bet Club for children in Kindergarten-2nd Grade

Of Note

Wise Aging: Living with Joy, Resilience and Spirit An 8-session program facilitated by Rabbi Eva Sax-Bolder at Brotherhood 8 Thursdays, 7pm to 9pm

Oct 19, Nov 16, Dec 14 Jan 25, Feb 15, March 15, April 19, May 10

The "Wise Aging" sessions will address many of the opportunities and challenges we face in our 50's, 60's, 70's and later. These issues will be explored in the context of contemporary and core Jewish texts as well as contemplative practices. There will be minimal outside reading and some writing involved, as most of the 'work' will be done in the group. Some themes that may be covered include: Exploring this stage of Life; How do we view being an 'Elder'; Cultivating Nourishing Relationships; Cultivating Spiritual Qualities for Well-Being; Mussar; Forgiveness and Constructive Criticism; Living with Loss and Finding Light; Legacy and Stewardship; I am my Body; I am not my Body

Please consider your schedule, as attendance is imperative to cultivating a successful group dynamic. Once the group begins, registration will be closed so that we can form an intimate, safe environment for personal exploration. **RSVP's must be received no later than October 5.** [Please contact Rabbi Eva](#) to schedule a brief phone interview.

The fee for the eight sessions is \$180, payable to The Shul of New York before the first class.

Muslim Jewish Solidarity Upstander Training

Wednesday, September 27, 6:30 - 9:00 pm

With the uptick in hate crimes and aggressive acts in recent days, come together and learn the tools to be an upstander, to stand up instead of sitting idly by. Experts from Hollaback! will offer a training on how to respond to situations we may witness in private and public settings and will give us tools and ideas for de-escalation and productive intervention. [RSVP](#)

Weekly Links

['Greenhouse Academy,' Another Adaptation of a Hit Israeli TV Show, Debuts on Netflix. It's like Harry Potter meets Spy Kids meets Fauda](#)

[Huge spike in number of Israelis 'un-Jewed' by Chief Rabbinate in past two years](#)

[From Poland to Lithuania: A Writer's Search for Her Jewish Past](#)

[U.S. College Campuses Becoming More pro-Israel, New Report Claims](#)

[Comparing Apples to Apples. Dipping apples in honey for Rosh Hashanah? Here's a guide to picking the best ingredients for a sweet new year.](#)

[Oktoberfest Was Invented by Jews. German beer culture's surprising origins](#)

[An overlooked golden age of Jewish culture flowered in the cities of Istanbul, Edime, Salonica, Izmir, Aleppo, Damascus, Baghdad, Cairo, and Alexandria-where almost no Jews live today](#)

Send your links to: rkahn@brotherhoodsynagogue.org

Other Info

Tuesday Minyan

Every week 5:40 pm

Do a mitzvah and help count toward the ten needed to allow those in mourning to recite the kaddish. In the library on the 4th floor.

Submitting Names for Healing Prayer

When someone is ill, we traditionally say a Misheberach, a special prayer for healing during Shabbat morning services and Rabbi Alder will read the names of those who are ill. If you would like the name of someone mentioned during the Misheberach prayer, please let Rabbi Alder know by [email](#) or phone (212-674-5750). Ideally, we would use the person's Hebrew name and that of their mother; if this is not known, then we can use their English name. May God send healing to all those in need.

Social Services Available

The Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services (JBFCS) has assigned a senior social worker to work with Brotherhood Synagogue and its congregants. The agency offers a range of services for children, families, adults, and the aging. Should you wish to avail yourself of these services, the agency will accept referrals from Rabbi Alder, Phil Rothman, Barbara Simon and Merrill Feinstein. Please contact any of these staff members to be directed to our social worker.

Brotherhood Monthly Bulletin

[You can read the Brotherhood monthly bulletin online here.](#) If you wish to receive the monthly bulletin as email rather than receive a hard copy in the mail, please [email Marc Abrams.](#)



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Fall 2017 Early Childhood Programs

