

Congregation B'nai Israel

A Vibrant Jewish Community Located in Northampton, Massachusetts



Weekly Events: October 11-21, 2018

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

KOL SHABBAT

Friday, October 12, at 6:00 pm

CANDLE LIGHTING at 5:56 pm

[Click here for all Kol Shabbat Service Dates.](#)

KABBALAT SHABBAT at Beit Ahavah

[Click here for more details.](#)

Friday, October 19, at 6:00 pm

CANDLE LIGHTING at 5:44 pm

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES

Saturday, October 13, 9:30 am (Parashat Noach)

SHABBAT ENDS at 6:54 pm

[CBI Social Justice Shabbaton \(Click here for more information\)](#)

Saturday, October 20, 9:30 am (Parashat Lech-Lecha)



Rabbi David's Class, 9:45 am: The Deep Structure of Jewish Prayer

October 14: The Sh'ma: Rhythms of Society and Creation

October 21: The Sh'ma: The Importance of Spiritual Intention

Sunday, October 14, 11:00 am. Guest speaker Micah Perks will give a reading from her new book, *True Love and Other Dreams of Miraculous Escape*.

Sunday, October 21, 11:00 am. Guest speaker Rabbi Mike Moskowitz will speak about bringing social justice, spiritual observance and Jewish values to the matter of our obligations regarding trans rights.

Click [here](#) for more details and upcoming CBI Café topics.

A Special Thanks to:

Deborah Bromberg-Seltzer, Stephan Wurmbrand and Ron Ackerman for taking down the Sukkah on October 7. Events such as the Sukkah holiday services and the Sukkot Festival would not happen without the help from our many volunteers.

[CLICK HERE FOR THE ONLINE CBI CALENDAR](#)

CBI AND ABUNDANCE FARM EVENTS

ABUNDANCE FARM VOLUNTEER DAYS

Mondays 10:00 am-1:00 pm, Thursdays, 3:00-6:00 pm, through the end of **October**. Drop in to help with watering, weeding, harvesting, mulching and more. Contact Farm Manager Rose Cherneff at rose@abundancefarm.org for more information.

Fall leaves collection: Raking your fall leaves? Wondering what the point of it all is? Never fear, Abundance Farm is here. We are collecting bagged leaves: please bring them into the central part of the Farm (leave bags by the shed). The leaves will be composted and will become the *literal* harvest that feeds our community next year. So cool. Thank you.

TALMUD STUDY FOR EVERYONE

Saturdays, October 13 and 20, 10:20-11:20 am. CBI Library. Join Rabbi Jacob Fine in studying a variety of important and evocative Talmudic selections. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Rabbi Jacob at rabbijacob@cbinorthampton.org

SHABBAT SHABLOOM

Saturday, October 13, 11:15-Noon. CBI. Celebrate the end of the week with joyful music, movement and storytelling especially for kids ages 0-5 and their grownups.

TEEN MOVIE NIGHT WITH DINNER

Saturday, October 13, 7:30-9:30 pm. LGA Multi-purpose Room. Open to 6-8th graders. This is hosted by the CBI Teen Havurah.

COOKING WITH CONFIDENCE

Wednesdays, October 17, 24, and 31, 3:30-5:30 pm at CBI. Open to children ages 8-12. Facebook event is here:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/276577142960735/>

Registration page is here:

<https://www.abundancefarm.org/cooking-with-confidence/>

VALLEY JEWISH SENIOR LUNCHEON

Wednesday, October 17, 12:30 pm. CBI Library. Speakers Jody Rosenbloom, M.A. and Tim Oppenheimer, J.D., M.S.W. will discuss "Meaningful Aging." This program will take a look at how we can find meaning in the aging process and will include sharing about stereotypes about aging and how they may affect our lives. Suggested donation for lunch is \$7.00. Reserve a space at the CBI office at 584-3593. All are welcome.

AVODAT LEV: MAARIV STYLE (EVENING PRAYER)

Wednesday, October 17, 6:30-7:30 pm on Abundance Farm Join us for a beautiful song-filled evening service on Abundance Farm around the campfire. Avodat Lev (Heart Work) is a contemplative songful practice based on Maariv, the evening service. Avodat Lev is initially based on Shacharit, the morning service, and crafted by the Adamah Farming Fellowship housed at the Isabella Freedman Retreat Center. Each session will follow the core structure of the Maariv service but will look different and may include Hebrew and English chanting, guided meditation, journaling, movement and meditative silence. The practice is meant to guide us in greeting the evening, acknowledge our own holiness and our connection to the holiness of the Creation and allow us to express gratitude. We feel so grateful that Simcha Halpert-Hanson will be leading us in this way.

We are inviting people to join at 5:30 pm for Mincha services in the sanctuary, then help start a camp fire on the Farm at 6:00 pm, and then begin Avodat Lev at 6:30 pm Please join us!

CELEBRATORY GLEANING HARVEST AND COB OVEN BREAD BAKE

Thursday, October 18, 3:00-6:00 pm on Abundance Farm. Come join us for the last official Pick Your Own day this year! We will be doing a big gleaning harvest of all the crops that need to be picked before the frost. In addition, Sam Coates-Finke of Backyard Bread <https://backyardbread.com/about-1/> will be firing up the oven and baking bread for us all to enjoy! Come one, come all!

SHABBAT SING

Saturday, October 20, 11:15 am-Noon. Lander-Grinspoon Academy, Multi-purpose Room. Join Rabbi Jacob, Aram Rubinstein Gillis and Molly Bajgot for this gathering of people who want to sing their hearts out.

A BREATH OF FRESH AIR: TOUCH THE EARTH AND GROW TOGETHER

Sunday, October 21, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm at CBI. For those interested in early childhood education. Professional development credits available.

Facebook event is here:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/202994903841944/>

Registration page is here:

<https://www.abundancefarm.org/a-breath-of-fresh-air-registration>

COMMITTEE NEWS AND EVENTS

CHESED COMMITTEE

The **October** coordinator is Julie Robbins. She can be reached at (413) 320-6788 or julierobbins50@gmail.com.

ISRAEL COMMITTEE

The next Israel Committee meeting will be **November 1, 7:00 pm**. New members will have the opportunity to help shape the direction of the Israel Committee as we move into the future. Contact Committee Chair, Mordi Kamel, for more information at Mordi.Kamel@gmail.com.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Sunday, October 21, 4:00-5:30 pm. CBI Open House. This is an opportunity to learn more about CBI, talk with Rabbi David, Rabbi Jacob, Ben Cuperman and our Board and committee members. Click [here](#) for more details.

RITUAL COMMITTEE

Would you like to read Torah during Shabbat services? Contact David Kieval at davidkieval@gmail.com. Can you read Haftorah? Contact Miryam at miryamkabakov@gmail.com

TIKKUN OLAM COMMITTEE

Join Congregations Beit Ahavah, B'nai Israel, and the Jewish Family Service of Western Massachusetts, for National Refugee Shabbat, a nation-wide program of The Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS). Synagogues across North America will give voice to our values as American Jews in a time of unprecedented attempts to close our country's borders to those seeking freedom from violence and persecution.

On **Friday October 19, at 6:00 pm**, join us for a Musical Kabbalat Shabbat service at Beit Ahavah Synagogue, 130 Pine Street, Florence, followed by a vegetarian potluck dinner, including pierogis made by Irida Kahtiranova, who resides in sanctuary at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Northampton. Dinner will be followed by a lay-led text discussion related to refugees.

On **Saturday, October 20, at 9:30 am** please attend the CBI Annual Sandra Goldsmith Social Justice Shabbat. The Shabbat service will incorporate special readings and Jewish teachings about our responsibilities to refugees and asylum seekers, and include a D'var Torah by Maxine Stein, CEO of Jewish Family Services of Western MA. The Kiddush Luncheon will feature food from refugee countries of origin and will be followed by a relevant post-Kiddush panel discussion.

[Click here for the full flyer](#)

SUE KURIAN KIDDUSH FUND

Contribute to the Kiddush fund. Host a Kiddush. Celebrate a birthday or honor a friend. We'll have a wonderful time together.

October 13: This Kiddush will be created by Peggy Besht and sponsored by CBI.

October 20: This Kiddush will be created by Bianca Cuperman and sponsored by

the CBI Tikkun Olam Committee.

Shabbos morning Kiddush lunch would not be possible without the efforts and support of volunteers from the community. Your help is much needed, whether you can give your time weekly or yearly, during the week or during shabbos day. Please email kiddushcbi@gmail.com to express interest and find out where help is needed.

Thank you to all those who make Kiddush possible. For donations, please write "Kiddush Fund" in the subject line of your check to CBI.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CBI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

To help us with all the CBI activities and events, we would love to have someone assist with dropping off and picking up table clothes and dish towels at the cleaners. Please contact Ben or Cynthia at 413-484-3593.

COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE: SILENT AUCTION BENEFITING NUDAY SYRIA

Saturday, October 27, 7:00 pm. Temple Israel, 27 Pierce Street, Greenfield will hold its silent auction. Come with a generous heart. NuDay Syria brings supplies and relief

to people suffering in Syria. RSVP and questions: templesilentauction@gmail.com. Click [here](#) for more information.

LIBBY GARLAND TALKS ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

Sunday, October 28, 4:00 pm. Beit Ahavah, 130 Pine Street, Florence. Author of *After They Closed the Gates: Jewish Illegal Immigration to the United States*.

Monday, October 29, 5:30 pm. First Church of Amherst, 165 Main Street, Amherst

(followed by a monthly community sanctuary potluck with Lucio Perez): both dates co-sponsored by CBI.

[Click here for the full flyer, sponsorship and contact information.](#)

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

CBI SCRIP AND GIFT CARDS: UP TO 5% GOES TO CBI

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TO PAY YOUR BILL OR MAKE A DONATION



Please consider adding a 3% voluntary donation
to help offset the costs of providing an online payment option.
Thank you!

Shabbat Shalom,

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