

**Annual T'shuvah Lecture
with Benjamin D. Sommer, PhD
Thursday, October 3, 7:30 pm
Religious Personalities and Aseret
Y'mei T'shuvah: Psalms as Inspiration
During the High Holy Days Season**



Rosh Hashanah will soon be upon us, and our earnest preparation for this crucial period of repentance and self-reflection should unfold in timely and informed fashion. In the spirit of the Ten Days of Repentance, please join our annual T'shuvah Lecture as Professor Benjamin Sommer, one of the world's leading Bible scholars, illuminates varying biblical perspectives on central High Holy Day themes.

The prayers of the High Holy Days emphasize motifs of human guilt and divine forgiveness, and often refer to human suffering as punishment for our sins. They express our contrition and regret and express the hope that God, seeing our repentance, will not punish us. In conveying these themes, the High Holy Day prayers echo many passages from the Torah and the Prophets.

But the idea that human suffering results from human misdeeds is not the only one found in the Bible. The Book of Psalms often portrays our suffering as mysterious and undeserved, and as something we should protest. In this year's T'shuvah Lecture, Professor Sommer will discuss the different ways these themes are handled in the Torah, Prophets, and Psalms, focusing especially on the idea of *hester panim*, or God's hiddenness, and on a close reading of Psalm 27, which we recite every day during this seminal time of year. Contrasting the Psalms with other biblical literature will make us aware of the variety of authentic religious outlooks for the penitential High Holy Days season and the way differing religious personalities find expression in our tradition and in ourselves.

Dr. Sommer, professor of Bible and Ancient Semitic Languages at the Jewish Theological Seminary, was previously director of the Crown Family Center for Jewish Studies at Northwestern University and has been a fellow at the Israel Institute for Advanced Studies at the Hebrew University, the Tikvah Center for Jewish Law and Civilization at the NYU School of Law, and the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem. He has long been active as a lecturer and scholar-in-residence, teaching rabbis, Jewish educators and laypeople in a variety of settings. An overarching concern of Dr. Sommer's scholarship involves the close and manifold relationships between biblical thought and later Jewish theology, and his most recent book is *Revelation and Authority: Sinai in Jewish Scripture and Tradition* (Yale University Press, 2015). His books have won multiple awards from scholarly organizations. Please join us for this inspiring and informative lecture by a world-class scholar.

—Marc Ashley

**Shabbat Hol Hamoed Sukkot
with Ruth Calderon, PhD
Saturday, October 19, During Services & Kiddush
Reflections for Sukkot:
Rabbinic Conceptions of Home
and
Challenges of Israel's Dual Identity:
Jewish and Democratic**



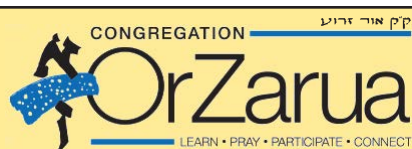
Please join us on Shabbat Hol Hamoed Sukkot as Ruth Calderon, former Knesset member and influential Israeli educator, again visits Or Zarua to teach us about both the ancient world of the Rabbis and the modern State of Israel. Sukkot is a holiday of elevated happiness, and Dr. Calderon will bring special joy and knowledge to our communal learning.

Dr. Calderon's wide-ranging lectures will help us bridge the centuries of Jewish thought and practice. She will speak during Shabbat services on Rabbinic conceptions of home, relating to the profound implications of our building a sukkah – a temporary shelter yet also an enduring symbol of God's permanent sheltering presence – and making it our home during the joyous holiday of Sukkot. After kiddush following services, within our beautiful rooftop sukkah, Dr. Calderon will then discuss the complex challenges arising from Israel's dual identity as a Jewish nation state and a liberal democracy. She will illuminate the complexities of living out religion and state in a Jewish context, bolstered by her practical legislative experience. Having lived both in Israel and the Diaspora, and being immersed in the textual legacy of Talmudic literature and the turbulence of modern politics, Dr. Calderon is uniquely positioned to offer keen insights about the dynamics of contemporary Jewish life.

Dr. Calderon, who received her PhD in Talmud from the Hebrew University, will be a Visiting Professor of Law at Harvard Law School during the upcoming fall semester. A former member of Knesset from the Yesh Atid party and Deputy Speaker of the Knesset (2013–15), she is an educator, academic Talmud scholar, and institution builder. In 1989, she established the pluralistic Elul beit midrash, and in 1996 founded Alma, the Home for Hebrew Culture. She previously served as the head of the Culture and Education Department at the National Library of Israel in Jerusalem and as a faculty member of the Mandel Leadership Institute. In recognition of her work, Dr. Calderon has received the AVI CHAI Prize for Jewish Education, the Rothberg Prize in Jewish Education, and several honorary doctorates.

Dr. Calderon has taught around the Jewish world on a variety of subjects. Please join us on the sixth day of Sukkot as she helps us better understand our Jewish past, present and future.

—Marc Ashley



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President's Message

by Diane Okrent



Lately, I have been thinking about things we save and things we discard. Sometimes, we save things of value. And, sometimes we question why we have been holding on to something that no

longer has value.

By the time you read this, my son, Victor Shelden, will be married to Emily Nhaissi. They are the fourth generation in my family to be married with my paternal grandmother's wedding ring. Grandma Becky wore that ring from her wedding day in 1921 to her passing in 1981 (my grandfather died in 1954). She only took it off twice – at her niece's wedding and at my parents' wedding when each couple intended to be married with a diamond band. Grandma took off her ring and supplied the plain gold band for the ceremonies. When Aaron and I got married, my aunt "sold" him the ring for \$1 because the rabbi who was marrying us said the ring had to belong to the groom. I have been wearing that ring for 34 years. It is a treasured family heirloom.

My late mother had almost no sentimental attachment to things. A few years after my father's passing, I was barely able to stop her from melting down his and her gold wedding bands because "no one was wearing them." Fortunately, I prevailed. And, now Victor is wearing my dad's wedding band. Some things really are worth saving.

Then, there are the things we hold on to long past their relevance. This spring, we had a leak in our apartment that led to floor replacement. While we were at it, we decided to refinish the living room floor. And, while the furniture was out of the room, we decided to repaint. Before moving things back in, we reviewed and cleaned out books, cassettes, files, and old paperwork. Several times, we questioned why we had saved one thing or another. So, clearing out "stuff" is very much on my mind these days.

I associate cleaning out the detritus of our lives with Pesah. I believe that part of cleaning out hametz is removing things and thoughts we shouldn't be keeping. To me, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are also about cleaning out our unnecessary "stuff," cleansing our souls and starting afresh.

Our preparation for the High Holy Days begins with Rosh Hodesh Elul (August 31 and September 1, 2019). For the entire month of Elul, the shofar is blown at morning

services. Come to minyan and hear for yourself! We also recite Psalm 27, "The Lord is my light and my help. Whom shall I fear?"

The month of Elul gives us the opportunity to prepare for the self-reflection of the High Holy Days when we ask God to forgive our sins and give us the opportunity to do better in the coming year. My personal plan for Elul is to continue to sort through my things—to hold on to what is valuable and discard what is not. I plan to keep what I value in my being and discard the anchors that restrain my personal growth and fulfillment.

As Rabbi Isaac Klein notes in *A Guide to Jewish Religious Practice*: "Rosh Hashanah, is not an opportunity for mirth. The rejoicing associated with the festival stems from the awareness that life always holds out the promise of better things.it is not only God who judges our actions, we are also called to judge our own actions and thus find our direction again."

As we prepare for the High Holy Days, I invite you to participate in the programs at Or Zarua during the month of Elul: Our Welcome Back Kiddush on September 7, Barry Collier's Chaburah and Or L'Atid's Family Shabbat on September 14, the Book Club discussion Pat Davidson will lead of *The Ruined House* by Ruby Namdar on September 15, and Selihot on September 21.

And, please renew your membership so you can join us for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

L'Shana Tovah u'metuka!

Diane



Chaburah OZ Torah Study

After Kiddush on Select Shabbatot

September 14

Theme for Elul

with Dr. Barry Coller

**Questions Before the New Year:
Why I Write for OROT**

Where does the concept of God's forgiveness for sin appear in the Torah and what prompted it? What is the real end of the Akeidah story? What are the sources in the Torah that bear on the key issues regarding reparations for slaves, including our own people's experience as slaves, the obligations of slave owners at the time of emancipation, and multi-generational and collective responsibility? Each of us has our own questions that we come to the Yamim Noraim with. Come listen to fellow Congregant Dr. Barry Coller share reflections about the inquiries he has made, as he approached the Yamim Noraim and crafted articles for Or Zarua's Congregant written and edited journal.

Upcoming Chaburah Presentations

October 26: Bereshit with Charlie Spielholz, PhD

November 16: Vayera with Diane Okrent

February 29: Trumah with Benjamin Marcus

May 16: Behar-Behukotai with Joanne Feierman

Join Us
in The Sukkah
for an Israeli film
made for Sukkot

USHPIZIN

Written by Shuli Rand

Starring the writer and his wife.

Wednesday, October 16, 7:30 pm

Moshe and Mali Bellanga are an impoverished, childless, Hasidic baalei teshuva ("returnees to Judaism") couple in the Breslov community in Jerusalem. After Moshe is passed over for a stipend, the couple cannot pay their bills, much less prepare for Sukkot.

Moshe admires a particularly beautiful etrog, one of the four species required for Sukkot observance. They console themselves by recalling a saying of Rabbi Nachman of Breslov that difficult times are a test of faith. After anguished prayer, they receive an unexpected monetary gift. Moshe buys the etrog for 1000 shekels (\$300), a large sum of money that is more than he can afford.

The couple is visited by a pair of escaped convicts, one of whom knew Moshe in his earlier, non-religious life. The convicts become their guests (ushpizin) in the sukkah creating many conflicts and straining Moshe and Mali's relationship.

Rabbi Bolton will lead a post-film discussion in the Sukkah. RSVP: Deborah Wenger, dwenger@orzarua.org



From Beame to Bloomberg: Jews and New York City Government Jewish History with Barry Feldman

Five Sundays: October 27 and November 3, 10, 17 & 24, 10 am–11:30 pm



This fall Or Zarua Congregant Barry Feldman will again lead a Jewish History course.

From Beame to Bloomberg: Jews and New York City Government

will explore the political personalities, accomplishments and controversies of past and present New York City politicians who led the city's rise to prominence from the post World War years to the present. Discussion will include the challenges faced by and the accomplishments achieved during their tenure in response to social, cultural, demographic, real estate, and economic

issues, pressures, and changes. Focus will not only be on mayors; Bella Abzug, Elizabeth Holtzman, Charles Schumer and other Jewish politicians will also be covered in this five-session course.

Barry is an urban historian, museum educator, and licensed New York City tour guide. He has created and developed tours of the Jewish Lower East Side, Jewish Harlem, and other New York neighborhoods. He has been teaching at OZ since 2014. Barry's classes are open to all. Prior knowledge is not required, and you may attend any or all sessions. We hope to see you this year as we continue to study NYC Jewish history with Barry.



Each year OZ Congregant Barry Feldman teaches a multi-session class on NYC Jewish history. Past classes have included *Machlokis, Tzuris & Achdus: Disputes, Troubles, and Unity During the Iconic Period of Jewish Settlement in NYC* and *Life in the Streets on the Lower East Side During the Iconic Period of Immigration and Settlement*. Each year the class attracts approximately 30 people per session.

From Compassion to Action: Volunteer with Or Zarua

"The reward for charity depends entirely upon the extent of the kindness in it."—*Talmud Bavli*

OZ Tutors Needed

Sign Up for the Nation's Leading Online Volunteer Tutoring Program.

Want to help a child learn to read without leaving your desk? Join Or Zarua's TutorMate team - all it takes is a computer with internet access, a telephone, 30 minutes a week and a genuine interest in helping a child. OZ tutors will be paired with an underperforming child in a school in a low-income neighborhood to read ebooks and play word games remotely every week for a 30-minute online session (which can easily be rescheduled via an online calendar). No experience is necessary although a full school year commitment is required. More than 200 leading US companies engage their employees as TutorMate volunteers, and the program has expanded to community and religious organizations. TutorMate makes it easy to volunteer. Twenty OZ tutors participated last year and had a very positive experience. For more information, visit www.tutormate.org. If you would like to participate or have any questions, please contact Lesley Palmer at hased@orzarua.org. Or Zarua will cover the cost of participation. A limited number of slots are available.

Volunteer for Dorot's Rosh Hashanah Package Delivery

Brighten the holidays for a senior! Volunteer to deliver a package and visit with an older person on Sunday, September 22. OZ volunteers will meet at 10:00 am at Central Synagogue in the Community House, 123 East 55th Street between Park and Lexington Avenues. The entire project requires approximately 2 hours including a visit of up to one hour. Ages 8 and up are welcome. There is limited space for family matching. Contact Miriam Quart (hased@orzarua.org) for more information or to register.

Help the Hungry at NY Common Pantry

Did you know 1 in 5 New Yorkers is food insecure? There are three ways you can help:

1) Start your day off right and volunteer to help serve a hot breakfast at the NY Common Pantry, 8 East 109th Street on Tuesday, September 17, November 19, or December 17 from 7:00 to 9:00 am. Volunteers plate meals in the kitchen for 150 to 200 food insecure individuals.

2) If the breakfast shift is too early for you, help with the packing and distribution of nutritious, fresh food pantry packages for families from 9 am to noon on select Wednesday, September 4, October 2 or November 6 or December 4.

3) Drop off non-perishable, healthy food items in the Or Zarua Social Hall.

Contact Lesley Palmer at hased@orzarua.org to sign up or ask questions.

Join Thursday Night Pasta and Salad at NCS

OZ Congregants serve hot food and good cheer at the Neighborhood Coalition for Shelter's East 81st Street Residence from 6:00 to 6:45 pm on the the third and fourth Thursdays of each month. Contact Jeffrey Haberman at jeff32449@verizon.net, for information.

Help OZ Congregants in Need

Volunteer to visit and bring cheer to ill or homebound OZ Congregants. Contact Deborah Wenger: dwenger@orzarua.org or 212-452-2310, ext 12.

Help South Bronx Residents

Pre-owned adult, and children's clothing, toys, dolls, games, and related items can be put to good use by the many transitional homeless residents and families in the South Bronx. OZ partners with South Bronx Salvation and Deliverance Church, whose members include housekeepers caring for their own local needy. Contact Richard Stadin at 212-744-6697 or stadin1@aol.com to arrange for donations.

Bir'nana to Perform Shabbat, October 26



Join Bir'nana, Or Zarua's a cappella group, as we celebrate the start of 5780 and our seventh year! We kick off the season with a performance at Shabbat morning kiddush on October 26th. Bir'nana (which means "in joyful song") is made up of Or Zarua members who love to sing and who dedicate themselves to weekly rehearsals. We perform for holidays, simchas, and other Or Zarua events, as well as in the community at an annual chessed event.

Musical Havdalah Programs with OZ Congregants

Join together for a lite nosh and havdalah followed by Congregants making music!

A Bissele Klezmer!

with Aaron Sheden
December 14

A Jazzy Night

with Michael Schwartz
January 18

A Taste of Classical

with Marcia Kalin &
Annie Sahn
February 29

Talmud & Siddur Classes with Rabbi Bolton

Talmud Class for 5780

Wednesdays, 7:30–9:00 pm beginning October 30

Who Can Be Judged? Who Can Bear Witness? Kings, Judges, And the Great Men and Women Of Israel. (Chapter 2 of Masekhet Sanhedrin)

Some chapters of Talmud go deep into questions that resonate in our times. Are the High Priest and King above the law? The Rabbis inquire about those who hold high office as well as everyday souls. Their explorations connect us with biblical personalities and the men and women of the Talmudic era.

What are the limits that the Torah imposes on leaders? Did that legislation stick? What are the checks and balances in the Divine law and discerned laws of the Sages that help society manage its way forward and for human beings to serve in holy ways as leaders?

Exploring our past through this dynamic chapter means getting a sense of the legal systems the Rabbis designed as well as their philosophical implications for our era. Can a High Priest be a judge or a witness? Does a King stand trial? Who deserves to be a law-giver or a law-maker?

Join our class for every meeting or come into the learning when you can! We read the texts in the original and in translation. Rabbi Bolton explicates the passages, and he brings to bear research that extends the topical material that appears in the Babylonian Talmud. Purchase Volume 1 of Sanhedrin in the Artsroll Hebrew/English edition. While it is not required to have the volume for class it is highly recommended. Copies of the pages are not distributed. Talmudic study, even for those who have never had exposure, can be a delight for the mind and a wonderful Jewish experience. For those with background the investigations of the content of the Gemara coupled with the research extensions invites a fresh read and look at well-known Talmudic material.

Siddur Class for 5780

Thursdays, 8:40–9:40 am beginning October 31

When Prayer and Remembering Meet: Yizkor, Funeral Rites, Daily Psalms and Reminders.

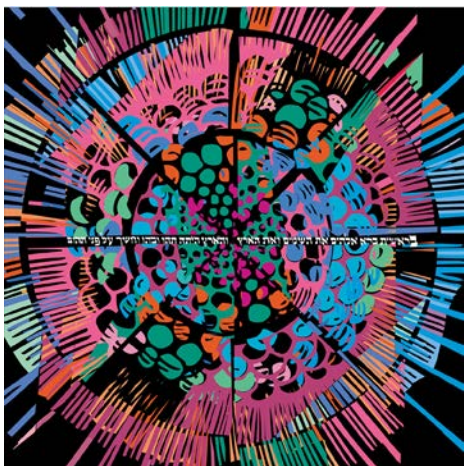
Join the Siddur Class in 5780 for explorations of the themes and language of our Yizkor prayers, as well as funeral liturgies. In general the class explores the history, forms, content and meaning of Jewish liturgy and prayer rites, and members of the learning community deliberate about the prayer experience (t'fillah) and encounters with Jewish liturgy.

Translating the language of the prayerbook helps gain access to the poetry and Biblical passages that are included in service of t'fillah. After an exploration of Yizkor and funeral liturgies (psalms and memorial prayers), the Psalms of the Day will be studied. Beyond being reminders about what day of the week is ahead of us each day they help us recall and focus upon important themes for our lives and our world.

Finally, the class will turn to passages that remind us about key lists in our tradition. Among those lists included in certain siddurim are: the Rambam's 13 Principles, the Ten Commandments and a list of ten special moments in Jewish history. Why those? What challenges do they offer at the end of a prayer service? Opportunities?

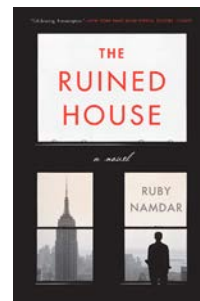
What makes this class so dynamic is a combination of the study of our prayers and the engaging, open conversation among participants. There is a dynamic culture of learning to be part of our Thursday mornings, so plan to join in after the High Holy Days and Sukkot. Put it on your calendar; make time for Jewish learning in the year ahead.

Images Of Creation In The OZ Art Gallery



In a few short weeks, we conclude one annual Torah-reading cycle, then move seamlessly to begin the cycle anew with Bereshit, the story of Creation. In the OZ Gallery, the display of 10 prints based on the creation narrative in the Book of Genesis continues through the holidays. These vibrant, abstract images are the work of the multi-talented artist Rudi Wolff, who designed the OZ logo and is an invaluable friend of the community.

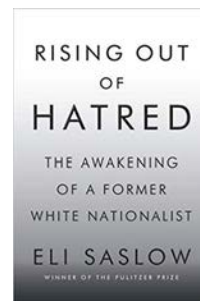
Or Zarua Book Discussions



The Ruined House
by Ruby Namdar
Sunday,
September 15,
7:30 pm
To be led by
Pat Davidson

Replete with imaginative images of Day of Atonement rituals practiced during the Temple era, *The Ruined House*, is the perfect read for the High Holy Days season. "It is a masterpiece of modern religious literature, exactly as deep, disturbing and unresolved, as is necessary to remind us, habituated as we are to the shallows of contemporary Jewish life, what still lurks beneath—primitive, raw and exacting."

—NYTimes



Rising Out of Hatred
by Eli Saslow
Sunday,
October 27,
7:30 pm

Rising Out of Hatred is a disturbing look at the spread of right-wing extremism and how it is planted and cultivated in the fertile soil of American bigotry. And yet, Saslow's vivid storytelling also conveys that during this period of deepening racial division, there is the possibility of redemption."—Washington Post

All are welcome to attend OZ Book Discussions; please join us.

Or Zarua's Young Professionals

Services and Dinner

Friday, September 20, 6:30 pm

Happy Hour

Shabbat Services

Shabbat Dinner

RSVP online:

RSVP: tinyurl.com/YP-09-20-19

Sushi in the Sukkah

Thursday, October 17, 7:00 pm

OZ's Young Professionals will gather in OZ's roof-top sukkah for drinks and sushi

RSVP: 212-452-2310, ext 39 or

dwenger@orzarua.org

Welcome-Back Kiddush Saturday, September 7 after services

Congregation Or Zarua
welcomes everyone
back with a post-summer kiddush
beginning immediately after services.
Guests and newcomers
are welcome to attend.

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Selihot Saturday Night, September 21

7:45 pm Dessert Reception

8:15 pm Selihot Study
with Rabbi Bolton

**"The Inward and the Outward:
Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch's
Philosophy on T'shuvah and
Observing the High Holy Days"**
9:15 pm Selihot Service



High Holy Day Services 5780/2019

Erev Rosh Hashanah Sunday, September 29

Minhah/Ma'ariv: 6:15 pm–7:15 pm
at Congregation Or Zarua

First Day Rosh Hashanah Monday, September 30

Shaharit: 8:30 am–1:00 pm
at Wallace Hall

Family Tashlikh: 4:00 pm–5:00 pm
at Carl Schurz Park

Tashlikh: 5:30 pm–6:00 pm
at Central Park Reservoir, south end

Minhah/Ma'ariv: 6:30 pm–7:30 pm
at Congregation Or Zarua

Second Day Rosh Hashanah Tuesday, October 1

Shaharit: 8:30 am–1:00 pm
at Wallace Hall

Minhah/Ma'ariv: 6:15 pm–7:15 pm
at Congregation Or Zarua

Shabbat Shuva Saturday, October 5

Shaharit: 9:00 am–12:00 noon
at Congregation Or Zarua

Erev Yom Kippur Tuesday, October 8

Minhah, 1:30 pm–1:55 pm
at Congregation Or Zarua

Kol Nidre: 5:30 pm–8:00 pm
at Wallace Hall

Yom Kippur Wednesday, October 9

Services: 9:00 am–7:01 pm
at Wallace Hall

Service Locations

Congregation Or Zarua
127 East 82nd Street
between Lexington and Park Avenues

Wallace Hall
west side of Park Avenue
between 83rd and 84th Streets

Tickets are required for all services
at both locations,
except on Shabbat Shuva.

High Holy Day Programming for
Youth is on Page 11.

High Holy Day Services 5780/2019

General information

Our High Holy Day services will be held at Wallace Hall, on the west side of Park Avenue between 83rd and 84th Streets, not far from our synagogue building on East 82nd Street.

OZ offers three types of services for the High Holy Days: a main service, led by Rabbi Scott Bolton; youth services, divided by age; and a Family Learning Experience, led by Rabbi Amy Bolton. Youth services will be held on both days of Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre, and Yom Kippur. Please note that children 2–4 years old must be accompanied by no more than one parent. There will be a Mah Zeh?! program for Teens on Yom Kippur. Teenagers are encouraged to attend the main service. Please review the High Holy Day services schedules, on this page (see right) and the services for youth on page 10 for times and locations.

The Family Learning Experience (FLEX), described on page 11, led by Rabbi Amy Bolton, is designed for the entire family and

is not a drop-off service. It will be held in the Or Zarua library from 10:45 am to 12:45 pm on the second day of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur. Grandparents are also invited. Times and locations are listed on the Youth services schedule on page 11.

If you know of people who might be without a place to go for High Holy Day Services, please have them contact the office (212-452-2310, ext 12).

The schedule for all main services will be printed on the reverse side of your admission ticket. Tickets will be mailed in mid-September to all members in good standing; remember to bring your ticket with you to all services at both Wallace Hall and OZ. Call the synagogue office with questions regarding your membership. Note that all children through the age of 22 are included in family membership; children 23 and older are required to have guest tickets. Call the synagogue office, 212-452-2310, ext 12, or go online to Chaverweb to purchase guest tickets.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: Letters regarding renewal of membership at Or Zarua have been mailed. Please contact the synagogue office at 212-452-2310, ext 12 with questions regarding membership.

ADDITIONAL HIGH HOLY DAY TICKETS: Guest tickets for all High Holy Day services are \$360 for each adult; \$180 for each child ages 5–17, college students, and young professionals (ages 18–30). Children age 4 and under do not need tickets. Tickets for nonmembers wishing to bring their families to the Family Learning Experience are \$180 per family. To order, contact Deborah Wenger at dwenger@orzarua.org or 212-452-2310, ext 12.

Order Your Etrogim and Lulavim

The joyous holiday of Sukkot begins Sunday evening, September 13. Congregation Or Zarua will again arrange for the purchase of etrogim and lulavim. All orders are delivered in complete sets: etrog in a box, lulav with hadassim, and aravot in a bag.

Three options, each certified for use on Sukkot, are available:

- Special Set (Aleph), \$75.00 each
- Choice Set (Bet), \$65.00 each
- Standard Set (Gimmel), \$55.00 each



To order, contact Deborah Wenger at 212-452-2310, ext 12, or dwenger@orzarua.org, or log into your Chaverweb account at <http://tinyurl.com/OZ-Etrog-2019>, by noon on Monday, October 7. We cannot accept any orders without payment. Sets will be available for pickup between Yom Kippur and Sukkot on a date to be determined.

Meals in the Sukkah

It is a mitzvah to eat in the sukkah during the Festival of Sukkot. Or Zarua offers Congregants several opportunities to have lunch or dinner in the sukkah on the synagogue's roof.

Dinner (catered) on Erev Sukkot

Sunday, October 13
Minhah/Ma'ariv: 6:00 pm
Dinner begins after services (7:00 pm)
RSVP by Monday, October 7 at:
tinyurl.com/SukkotDinner10-13-2019

Catered dinners require reservations: \$45 for adults, \$25 for children ages 5-12, no charge for children under 5. Use the link specified above or call 212-452-2310, ext 12 or send an email to dwenger@orzarua.org or log into your Chaverweb account.

Bring-Your-Own Shabbat Dinner

Friday, October 18
Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:53 pm
Dinner After Services (6:45 pm).

You bring dinner and all service items, including beverages, plates, cups, napkins, and utensils. Dessert and challah are provided. All food brought to the sukkah must be kosher. Please conclude your evening meal by 9:00 pm.

To bring your own Shabbat dinner to the sukkah or to eat in the sukkah at other times, please notify Deborah Wenger in the synagogue office at 212-452-2310, ext 12, of the number of people in your group by noon, that day.

Kiddush in the Sukkah

Monday and Tuesday, October 14 and 15, and Saturday, October 19, immediately after services.

After our daily Shaharit minyanim during Hol Hamoed Sukkot and on Hoshanah Rabbah, breakfast will be held in the Sukkah. Please join us for services, coffee, OJ and bagels in the sukkah!

Programs during Sukkot

Israeli Movie Night in the Sukkah

Ushpizin

Wednesday, October 16, 7:30 pm
(In the Social Hall in case of rain)
See page 3

Mature Singles

Bring Your Own Lunch to the Sukkah

Thursday, October 17, 12:00 pm

Young Professionals Program

Sushi in the Sukkah

Thursday, October 17, 7:00 pm
See page 5

Guest Speaker for Shabbat Hol Hamoed Sukkot

Ruth Calderon, PhD

Saturday, October 19, During Services and After Kiddush
See page 1

Seudah Shilshit Discussion with Rabbi Bolton: "Sukkot in Strange and Wonderful Places: From the Mishnah to Modernity"

Saturday, October 19, 4:45 pm beginning with Minhah and followed by Ma'ariv

Festival Programing for Youth and Families is on page 11.

Festival Services 5780/2019

Erev Sukkot

Sunday, October 13
Minhah/Ma'ariv: 6:00 pm

First Day Sukkot

Monday, October 14
Shaharit: 9:00 am
Minhah/Ma'ariv: 6:30 pm

Second Day Sukkot

Tuesday, October 15
Shaharit: 9:00 am

Hol Hamoed Sukkot Weekday Services

Wednesday, October 16
through
Friday, October 18
Shaharit: 7:00 am

Shabbat Hol Hamoed Sukkot

Friday, October 18
Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat: 5:53 pm
Saturday, October 19
Shaharit: 8:45 am
(includes reading of Megillat Kohelet)
Minhah, Seudah Shlishit, Discussion
with Rabbi Bolton, Ma'ariv: 4:45pm

Hoshanah Rabbah

Sunday, October 20
Shaharit: 8:45 am

Erev Shemini Atzeret

Sunday, October 20
Minhah/Ma'ariv 6:00 pm

Shemini Atzeret

Monday, October 21
Shaharit: 9:00 am

Erev Simhat Torah

Monday, October 21
Minhah/Ma'ariv and
Hakafot: 6:00 pm

Simhat Torah

Tuesday, October 22
Shaharit: 9:00 am

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 • 1 Elul Rosh Hodesh 8:45a Shaharit 7:30p Bir'nana Rehearsal	2 • 2 Elul Labor Day Bar Mitzvah: Yoni Smook 9:30a Shaharit <i>OZ Office closed</i>	3 • 3 Elul 7:15a Shaharit	4 • 4 Elul 7:15a Shaharit 9:00a NY Common Pantry	5 • 5 Elul 7:15a Shaharit	6 • 6 Elul 7:15a Shaharit 6:15p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 7:02p Candlelighting	7 • 7 Elul 9:00a Shaharit Shoftim 11:00a Torah Kids 11:00a Torah Tots 12:00 Welcome Back Kiddush 7:56p Shabbat Ends
8 • 8 Elul 8:45a Shaharit 7:30p Bir'nana Rehearsal	9 • 9 Elul 7:15a Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 5:00p Hebrew School Welcome Back Night 6:00p B'nei Mitzvah Scholars	10 • 10 Elul 7:15a Shaharit	11 • 11 Elul 7:15a Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 5:00p Grade 8 & 9 Hebrew School 6:15p Tastes & Traditions with Rabbi Bolton	12 • 12 Elul 7:15a Shaharit	13 • 13 Elul 7:15a Shaharit 6:15p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 6:51p Candlelighting	14 • 14 Elul 9:00a Shaharit/ Ki Tetze 10:30a Family Learning Experience 10:30a Shabbat & Me 10:30a Mah Zeh Shabbat?! 12:00p Family Shabbat Lunch 1:00p Chaburah Torah Study with Barry Collier 7:44p Shabbat Ends
15 • 15 Elul 8:45a Shaharit 10:00a Third Avenue Street Fair 7:30p Book Discussion: <i>The Ruined House</i> by Ruby Namdar 7:30p Bir'nana Rehearsal	16 • 16 Elul 7:15a Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 6:00p B'nei Mitzvah Scholars	17 • 17 Elul 7:00a NY Common Pantry 7:15a Shaharit	18 • 18 Elul 7:15a Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 5:00p Grades 8 & 9 Hebrew School 6:00p B'nei Mitzvah Cohort Kick-off Pizza Party	19 • 19 Elul 7:15a Shaharit 6:00p NCS Hesed Program	20 • 20 Elul 7:15a Shaharit 6:15p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 6:39p Candlelighting 6:30p OZYP Happy Hour, Shabbat Services, & Shabbat Dinner	21 • 21 Elul Bar Mitzvah: Abe Charkow 9:00 am Shaharit/ Ki Tavo 11:00a Torah Kids 11:00a Torah Tots 7:31p Shabbat Ends 7:45p Dessert Reception 8:15p Selihot Study 9:15p Selihot Service
22 • 22 Elul 8:45a Selihot & Shaharit 10:00a Dorot Package Delivery; meet at Central Synagogue, 123 East 55th Street 12:00p 92Y Street Fest (on Lexington Avenue) 7:30p Bir'nana Rehearsal	23 • 23 Elul 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 6:00p B'nei Mitzvah Scholars	24 • 24 Elul 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit	25 • 25 Elul 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 5:00p Grades 8 & 9 Hebrew School	26 • 26 Elul 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit 6:00p NCS Hesed Program	27 • 27 Elul 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit 10:00a Yoga, Goga, Shabbat! <i>Free Trial Session</i> 6:15p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 6:27p Candlelighting	28 • 28 Elul 9:00a Shaharit Nitzavim 11:00a Torah Kids 11:00a Torah Tots 7:19p Shabbat Ends
29 • 29 Elul Erev Rosh Hashanah 8:45a Selihot & Shaharit 6:15p Minhah/Ma'ariv (OZ) 6:24p Candlelighting <i>No Bir'nana Rehearsal</i>	30 • 1 Tishrei Rosh Hashanah I 8:30a Shaharit (WH) 11:00a Youth Services (WH & OZ) 4:00p Family Tashlikh for children (Carl Schurz Park) 5:30p Tashlikh (Central Park) 6:30p Minhah/Ma'ariv (OZ) Light Candles after 7:15p					

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 • 2 Tishrei Rosh Hashanah II 8:30a Shaharit (WH) 11:00a Youth Service (WH) 11:00a Family Learning Experience (OZ) 6:15p Minhah/Ma'ariv 7:14p Rosh Hashanah ends	2 • 3 Tishrei Tzom Gedaliah 5:41a Fast Begins 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit 9:00a NY Common Pantry 4:00p Hebrew School 5:00p Grades 8 & 9 Hebrew School 7:07a Fast Ends	3 • 4 Tishrei 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit 7:30p T'shuvah Lecture with Benjamin Sommer, PhD: <i>Religious Personalities and Aseret Y'mei Tshuvah: Psalms as Inspiration During the High Holy Days Season</i>	4 • 5 Tishrei 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit 10:00a Yoga, Goga, Shabbat! 6:00p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 6:15p Candlelighting	5 • 6 Tishrei Shabbat Shuva 9:00a Shaharit Vayelech 11:00a Torah Kids 11:00a Torah Tots 12:00p Bir'nana Rehearsal 7:07p Shabbat Ends
6 • 7 Tishrei 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit 7:30p Bir'nana Rehearsal	7 • 8 Tishrei 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 6:00p B'nei Mitzvah Scholars	8 • 9 Tishrei Erev Yom Kippur 7:00a Selihot & Shaharit 1:30p Minhah (OZ) 6:09p Candlelighting; Fast Begins 5:30p Kol Nidre (WH) 5:45p Youth Service (WH)	9 • 10 Tishrei Yom Kippur 9:00a Services Begin (WH) 11:00a Youth Service (WH) 11:00a Family Learning Experience (OZ) 3:00p Middle & High School Youth Discussion Yizkor 7:01p Yom Kippur Ends; Fast Ends	10 • 11 Tishrei 7:15a Shaharit	11 • 12 Tishrei 7:15a Shaharit 10:00a Yoga, Goga, Shabbat! 6:00p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 6:04p Candlelighting	12 • 13 Tishrei 9:00a Shaharit Ha'azinu 11:00a Torah Kids 11:00a Torah Tots 12:00p Bir'nana Rehearsal 6:56p Shabbat Ends
13 • 14 Tishrei Erev Sukkot 8:45a Shaharit 6:00p Minhah/Ma'ariv 6:01p Candlelighting 7:00p Sukkot Dinner (RSVP needed) <i>No Bir'nana Rehearsal</i>	14 • 15 Tishrei Sukkot First Day 9:00a Shaharit 6:30p Festival Ma'ariv Light Candles after 6:52p 7:15p Or L'Atid Community Dinner in the Sukkah (RSVP) <i>Office Closed</i> <i>No Hebrew School</i>	15 • 16 Tishrei Sukkot Second Day 9:00a Shaharit 6:51p Yom Tov Ends <i>Office Closed</i>	16 • 17 Tishrei Hol Hamoed Sukkot 3 7:00a Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 5:00p Grade 8 & 9 Hebrew School 6:15p Tastes & Traditions with Rabbi Bolton (Sukkah) 7:30p Movie: <i>Ushpizin</i> in the Sukkah (RSVP)	17 • 18 Tishrei Hol Hamoed Sukkot 4 7:00a Shaharit 12:00p Mature Singles Bring Your Own Lunch to the Sukkah 7:00p OZYP Sushi in the Sukkah 6:00p NCS Hesed Program	18 • 19 Tishrei Hol Hamoed Sukkot 5 7:00a Shaharit 10:00a Yoga, Goga, Shabbat! 5:00p Sukkot & Me 5:53p Candlelighting 5:53p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 6:45p Bring Shabbat Dinner to the Sukkah (RSVP)	19 • 20 Tishrei 8:45a Shaharit Hol Hamoed Sukkot 6 with Ruth Calderon 11:00a Torah Tots & Kids 12:00p Bir'nana Rehearsal 1:00p Community Hangout 4:45p Minhah, Seudah Shlishit discussion with Rabbi Bolton, Ma'ariv 6:46p Shabbat Ends 7:30p Sukkah Sleepover & Parents' Night Out
20 • 20 Tishrei Hoshanah Rabbah Erev Shemini Atzeret 8:45a Shaharit 6:00p Minhah/Ma'ariv 5:51p Candlelighting <i>No Bir'nana Rehearsal</i>	21 • 21 Tishrei Shemini Atzeret Erev Simhat Torah 9:00a Shaharit/Yizkor 5:00p Ice Cream at Sinai 5:00p Middle & High School Dinner 6:00p Minhah/Ma'ariv & Hakafot Light Candles after 6:44p <i>Office Closed/No Hebrew School</i>	22 • 23 Tishrei Simhat Torah 9:00a Shaharit 6:43p Festival Ends <i>Office Closed</i>	23 • 24 Tishrei 7:15a Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 5:00p Grade 8 & 9 Hebrew School	24 • 25 Tishrei 7:15a Shaharit 6:00p NCS Hesed Program	25 • 26 Tishrei 7:15a Shaharit 10:00a Yoga, Goga, Shabbat! 5:43p Candlelighting 5:43p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat	26 • 27 Tishrei 9:00a Shaharit Bereshit 11:00a Torah Kids 11:00a Torah Tots 12:00p Bir'nana Performance (Isru Hag) 1:00p Chaburah Torah Study with Charlie Spielholz 6:37p Shabbat Ends
27 • 28 Tishrei 8:45a Shaharit 10:00a Barry Feldman's Class 7:30p Book Discussion: <i>Rising out of Hatred</i> by Eli Saslow <i>No Bir'nana Rehearsal</i>	28 • 29 Tishrei 7:15a Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 6:00p B'nei Mitzvah Scholars	29 • 30 Tishrei Rosh Hodesh 7:00a Shaharit	30 • 1 Heshvan Rosh Hodesh 7:00a Shaharit 4:00p Hebrew School 5:00p Grade 8 & 9 Hebrew School 7:30p Talmud Class	31 • 2 Heshvan 7:15a Shaharit 8:40a Siddur Class	1 Nov • 3 Heshvan 7:15a Shaharit 10:00a Yoga, Goga, Shabbat! 5:34p Candlelighting 5:34p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat	2 Nov • 4 Heshvan Bat Mitzvah: Hannah Feld 9:00a Shaharit Noah 11:00a Torah Kids 11:00a Torah Tots 6:29p Shabbat Ends



Hebrew School Welcome Back Night Monday September 9 5:00-6:00 pm

Families are invited to our Hebrew School Welcome Back Night on September 9. Parents, grandparents and siblings are invited to join our Elementary School students from 5:00-6:00 pm as we kick off the year together.

All Classes will meet at regularly scheduled times as listed below.

Have friends interested in our Hebrew School? Invite them along for a taste!

The 2019-2020 Hebrew School Offerings

Kindergarten to 2nd Grade
Mondays, 4:00–6:00 pm

3rd to 5th Grade
Mondays and Wednesdays
4:00–6:00 pm

6th & 7th Grade
Mondays, 6:00–8:00 pm

NEW Offerings for Middle School and 9th Grade

**Hebrew School
8th & 9th Grade**
Wednesdays, 5:00–6:00 pm

**Tastes and Traditions
with Rabbi Bolton
Middle Schoolers**
Select Wednesdays, Monthly
6:15–7:15 pm.
See OZ calendar for dates.

**Be sure to register before
the start of class.**

Family Shabbat and Lunch

Saturday, September 14

Families are invited to our first monthly family Shabbat of the New Year on September 14. Youth and family programs begin at 10:30am:

Shabbat & Me
(Pre-K and younger)

Family Learning Experience
(Elementary School and parents)

Mah Zeh Shabbat?!
(Middle School and High School)

**After services, join us for
Shabbat Lunch!**
RSVP to Sigal at shirsch@orzarua.org.

BMC Kickoff Pizza Party Wednesday, September 18 6:00-8:00 pm

Sixth Graders and their families are invited to the first meeting of our third cohort of our new B'nei Mitzvah program. This program is for 6th grade families and will run throughout the 6th grade school year.

**Please save the date for our Kick-Off
Pizza party on Wednesday,
September 18. Please RSVP to Sigal:
shirsch@orzarua.org, or
212-452-2310, ext 15.**



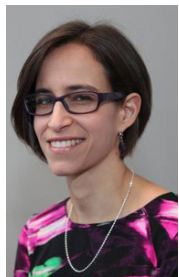
Photos: Adults and kids alike had a blast at the Parents' Night Out. We have some very talented singers at OZ, who showed off their skills during karaoke!

Celebrate the High Holy Days with your Family and Or L'Atid

High Holy Day Family Learning Experience

Tuesday, October 1 (Rosh Hashanah), 11:00 am–12:45 pm

Wednesday, October 9 (Yom Kippur), 11:00 am–12:45 pm



Rabbi
Amy Bolton

The Family Learning Experience is a unique inter-generational opportunity for families to blend High Holy Day prayer, music, play and Q&A. Led by Rabbi Amy Bolton, FLEX has something wonderful in store for everyone. Little ones play, while older kids, parents and grandparents enjoy discussions centered on Jewish values and High Holy

Day themes.

A schedule of High Holy Day services for youth at OZ is printed below. It is also listed on the OZ calendar and online at orzarua-orlatid.org.

For questions or information about youth High Holy Day programming at Or Zarua, contact Sigal Hirsch, Director of Youth Education and Programming, at shirsch@orzarua.org, or 212-452-2310, ext 15.

Nonmembers wishing to attend these youth programs should contact Deborah Wenger at dwenger@orzarua.org or 212-452-2310, ext 12, for guest tickets.



Join Us in the Sukkah as we Celebrate Sukkot Together

**Or L'Atid Community Dinner in the Sukkah
Monday, October 14; Services at 6:30 pm
followed by dinner (~7:15 pm)**

The entire OZ community is invited to the Or L'Atid hosted community dinner in the Sukkah on Monday October 14. Please register online:
tinyurl.com/OrLAtidSukkotDinner

**Taste & Traditions in the Sukkah
Wednesday October 16, 6:15 pm**

Middle Schoolers are invited to join Rabbi Bolton for a special edition of his monthly Tastes and Tradition class in the OZ Sukkah! Even if you are not enrolled for the year, you are welcome to come!

Sukkot & Me

Friday, October 18, 5:00 pm

Celebrate Sukkot together at Sukkot & Me, where families with children pre-K and younger sing, pray, learn and play! After Sukkot & Me, families are invited to stay for our "Bring Your Own" Sukkah dinner. RSVP required; see page 7.

**Sukkah Sleepover & Parents' Night Out
Saturday, October 19, 7:30 pm**

Children ages 5-13: join us for our Annual Sukkah Sleepover! Enjoy fun and games, snacks and a movie. Teens are invited to help out, and to sleep over as well! Parents are invited to enjoy cocktails, snacks and good company in the sukkah during the sukkah sleepover. Children not sleeping over are invited to join us for the Sukkah Sleepover festivities while parents socialize up on the roof in the OZ Sukkah (including children under 5)!

To participate in Sukkot events for youth
RSVP to Sigal Hirsch at
shirsch@orzarua.org.

High Holy Day Youth Services 5780/2019

First Day Rosh Hashanah

Monday, September 30

Youth Services: 11:00 am–12:30 pm

High Holy Days Tots

(Pre-K and Younger)

at Congregation Or Zarua

High Holy Days Kids

(Elementary School)

at Wallace Hall

Second Day Rosh Hashanah

Tuesday, October 1

Youth Services: 11:00 am–12:30 pm

High Holy Days Kids

(Elementary School)

at Wallace Hall

Family Learning Experience

with Rabbi Amy Bolton

11:00 am–12:45 pm

For families with children through 6th grade. Older siblings are welcome.

Note that this program is not a drop-off.
at Congregation Or Zarua

Erev Yom Kippur - Kol Nidre

Tuesday, October 8

High Holy Days Kids

5:45 pm–7:30 pm

(Elementary School)

at Wallace Hall.

Yom Kippur

Wednesday, October 9

High Holy Days Kids

11:00 am–12:30 pm

(Elementary School)

at Wallace Hall

Family Learning Experience

with Rabbi Amy Bolton

11:00 am–12:45 am

For families with children through 6th grade. Older siblings are welcome.

at Congregation Or Zarua

Mah Zeh High Holy Days?!

3:00 pm

(6th-12 grades)

at Wallace Hall

Tickets are required for all services listed above.

Simhat Torah

Ice Cream @ Sinai, Monday, October 21, 5:00 pm

Children are invited to open the ark and take an up-close look at the Torah. Join Rabbi Bolton to learn about the Torah together, sing songs, read stories, and enjoy ice cream before the community-wide Simhat Torah celebration. For families with children from birth through age 8. Older siblings welcome.

Middle School and High School Simhat Torah Dinner, Monday Oct 21, 5:00 pm

Middle School and High School students are invited to join us for our annual Simhat Torah Dinner and Ice Cream party!

Immediately following Ice Cream @ Sinai and the Simhat Torah Dinner, youth and families are invited up to the sanctuary for the community-wide Simhat Torah celebration! We'll celebrate our youth and parents during the first Hakafah!

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LEARN

At Or Zarua we learn in many ways—about Judaism, Talmud, Torah and all aspects of Jewish life. Through its Adult Education programming OZ presents an extensive variety of interesting, expert speakers on all aspects of Jewish life—religion, culture, history and language.

Selihot Study, Annual T'shuvah Lecture for the High Holy Days, Family Shabbat Programs (Shabbat & Me, Shabbat Family Learning Experiences, Shabbat Buddies), Teen Sushi & Study, NYC Jewish History with Barry Feldman, Talmud & Siddur Classes with Rabbi Bolton, Annual Lucy Dawidowicz Lecture, Marc Ashley's Adult Education Course, Tikkun Leyl Shavuot, Teen Tikkun Leyl Shavuot and various other lectures, presentations and discussions.



PRAY

Prayer is central to our religious experience. Or Zarua's services are traditional with equal participation of men and women. We have no choir, we use no musical instruments, and we read the entire weekly Torah portion, explicated by Rabbi Bolton's d'var Torah. Our services are led by members of the congregation. Visit us for Shabbat, on Yom Tov, or at our weekday morning minyan (followed by breakfast and lively conversation!).

Kabbalat Shabbat, Shaharit Services for Shabbat, Daily Shaharit Services followed by bagels, OJ, and coffee, Torah Tots for Infants-kindergarten, Torah Kids for Kindergarten-grade 5, Services Festivals, High Holy Days, Purim, and all other specials days, Shabbatons with visiting scholars from JTS, universities, yeshivas from the US, Israel, and other countries.



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PARTICIPATE

At Or Zarua, we draw strength from the active participation of our members. It is what keeps us vibrant. We come together to strengthen our connectedness to our community and to the larger Jewish community as well. We come together to celebrate festivals and milestones, and we come together to support one another in times of stress and sorrow. We encourage attendance and participation in OZ events.

Hesed, Dorot, New Common Pantry, Project ORE, Dinners for Holidays and Shabbat, Families, Young Professionals. Book Discussions, Super Bowl Tz'dakah Party, Hanukkah Parties, Purim Spiel, Second Seder, Zayin Adar Dinner, our A Cappella Group Bir'nana.



CONNECT

There are numerous ways to become involved with the Or Zarua community—through our many activities and special events. We welcome all to join in the diverse array of events and wonderful happenings at OZ.

Services and Dinners with OZ's Young Professionals, Sukkah Sleepover for Kids, Seudah Shlishit and Havdalah, OZ Art Gallery Openings, Shabbat Shirah, OZ's Birthday Party with cake and Champagne, Celebrate Israel Parade, Movies.



These two pages show just a small sampling of the events scheduled at Congregation Or Zarua for 5780. Many more lectures, guest speakers, classes, presentations, programs, dinners, and social events throughout the year. See the OZ website, www.orzarua.org, or the Newsletter (published every two months) for listings of new events throughout the year and to confirm dates, times, and future events.

The Or Zarua Community

Fund contributions received between June 1, 2019 and July 31, 2019

The Or Zarua Community

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Helping Or Zarua

Or Zarua is a vibrant community, and all communities need their members. Here are some quick and easy ways to help:

Choose to **pay via ACH** when using Chaverweb. This is a direct debit from your checking account. It saves OZ the higher credit card transaction fees.

Still want to pay via credit card? Choose to **include the transaction fee** in your payment! It covers that transaction fee so the entire payment comes to OZ.

Start your **shopping at Amazon Smile!** Go to smile.amazon.com when you shop on Amazon and choose Or Zarua as your beneficiary. Then shop as usual. OZ earns a percentage of every eligible purchase.

Sponsor a lecture! Our T'shuvah and Lucy Dawidowicz Lectures are important features of OZ programming. You can sponsor a portion, one, or both! Sponsorship defrays the costs of these wonderful events. Please contact Rabbi Bolton or Helene Santo for information.

Stuff envelopes! We send out mailings. You can come in and stuff envelopes or fold newsletters. It gets mailings out in a quick and efficient manner and requires only a few minutes of dedication. Contact Helene Santo for more information.

Sponsor Kiddush or Minyan Breakfast

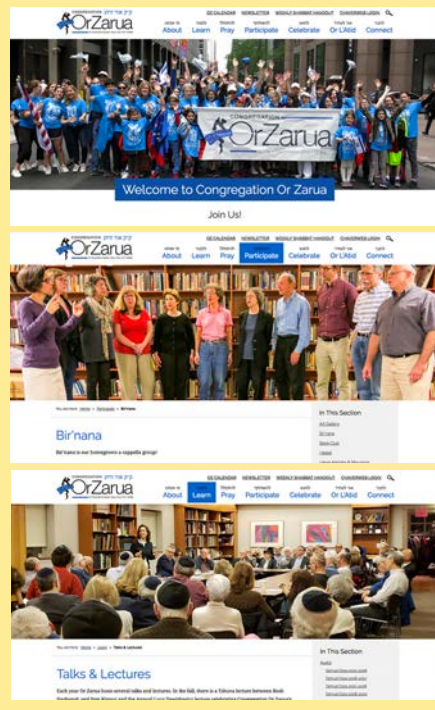
The custom of sponsoring a kiddush or a minyan breakfast can be a meaningful way to remember your loved ones or celebrate a birthday or anniversary with fellow Congregants while enhancing the community's Shabbat or morning minyan experience. Contact Deborah Wenger (212-452-2310, ext 12) for details.

Would you like to Learn to Leyn or Lead Services at Or Zarua?

If so, contact Mark Somerstein
by calling the synagogue office:
212-452-2310, ext 12.

Or Zarua's New Website Launched!

Visit
orzarua.org
to discover
all we have to offer!



A Minyan Poem

Please help to make
Our minyan strong
Forty minutes
Is not that long
Once a month
Or once a week
Will keep our minyan
At its peak
Those saying kaddish
Will be so glad
During a time
When mostly they're sad
After we daven
There's breakfast to eat
With lots of babka
As a breakfast treat
So please give Shelly
Adler a shout
And let him know
That you'll help us out

Help Keep Our Daily Minyan Strong
ONE HOUR • ONE MORNING • ONCE A MONTH
Contact Sheldon Adler: sadler@skadden.com

Or Zarua's Memorial Wall

For information about plaques for our Memorial Wall, please contact Helene Santo at hsanto@orzarua.org or 212-452-2310, ext 14. We will place another order when we have sufficient interest.

Order forms are available online at <http://tinyurl.com/OZMemorialPlaque> or from the OZ office by calling Deborah Wenger at 212-452-2310, ext 12.





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Membership Renewal

Letters regarding renewal of membership at Or Zarua have been mailed.

Please contact the synagogue office at 212-452-2310 with any questions regarding membership at Congregation Or Zarua.

CONGREGATION OR ZARUA

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2020

Shabbat Across Or Zarua Friday, November 15, 2019

Shabbat Across Or Zarua will be Friday, November 15 in honor of Parashat Vayera. In the parasha, Abraham welcomes strangers to his home and so, at Or Zarua, members will welcome other members to their homes.

Shabbat Across OZ is a warm and wonderful way for members to get to know each other. Guests enjoy the gracious hospitality of host families and everyone shares Shabbat joy, delicious food, and stimulating conversation.

If you would like to be a guest, please contact the OZ office (dwenger@orzarua.org or 212-452-2310, ext 12) by Friday, November 8. Be sure to provide your name and phone number as well as the number of people who will be with you including the ages of children. The Shabbat Across Or Zarua Committee will contact you with the name and address of your host.

If you would like to host Shabbat dinner for 4 to 10 OZ members and you maintain a kosher home, please call the Or Zarua office 212-452-2310, ext 12. Hosts will receive information regarding informal study and Zemirot (songs) as part of the Shabbat celebration.

If you would like to host but do not maintain a kosher home, Rabbi Bolton will help you plan a kosher meal. Please call the Or Zarua office.

Visit or Help Or Zarua at Upper East Street Fairs

Third Avenue Street Fair

Sunday, September 15, 10 am-5 pm; Set up after minyan

92Y Streetfest (on Lexington Avenue)

Sunday, September 22, 12 pm-5pm; Set up at 11 am

To help email dwenger@orzarua.org or drop by the Or Zarua booth

