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# SHABBAT BERESHIT – BIRKAT HAHODESH

Friday, October 25, 2019 Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat, 5:43 pm Candlelighting, 5:43 pm

> Saturday, October 26 Shaharit, 9:00 am

Youth Shabbat Services Torah Tots (Nursery/Pre-School/Pre-K) 11:00-11:45 am Torah Kids (Elementary School) 11:00-11:45 am

After Kiddush: Bir'nana Performance Chaburah OZ Torah Study with Charlie Spielholz

### Shabbat Ends 6:37 pm

#### SERVICE TIMES FOR OCTOBER 27-NOVEMBER 1, 2019

Sunday, Shaharit, 8:45 am, followed by breakfast Monday, 7:15 am, followed by breakfast Tuesday and Wednesday, Rosh Hodesh, 7:00 am, followed by breakfast Wednesday-Friday, 7:15 am, followed by breakfast Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat Friday, Nov. 1, 5:34 pm Candlelighting at 5:34 pm



Main Sanctuary, 2nd Floor Sanctuary Balcony, 3rd Fl. Social Hall, 1st Floor Library, 4th Floor Coatroom and Restrooms, Lower Level Scott N. Bolton, Rabbi Dr. Harlan J. Wechsler, Rabbi Emeritus Diane Okrent, President Helene Santo, Executive Director Sigal Hirsch, Director of Youth Education & Programming

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# Chaburah OZ Torah Study: Why Didn't God Protect Abel? Preceded by Bir'nana Performance



Shabbat, Oct. 26, after kiddush Enjoy Or Zarua's a cappella group, Bir'nana, after Kiddush, then stay for the first Chaburah OZ Torah Study of the New Year as member Charlie Spielholz explores Parashat Bereshit with the intriguing question: Why didn't God protect Abel?



# OZ Book Discussion: Rising Out of Hatred Sunday, Oct. 27, 7:30 pm



*Rising out of Hatred*, by Eli Saslow, tells the story of how whitesupremacist ideas migrated from the far-right fringe to the White House through the intensely personal saga of one man who eventually disavowed everything he was taught to believe, at tremendous personal cost. This is a book to help us understand the American moment and to help us better understand one another. All are welcome to attend.

# Fall Talmud & Siddur Classes with Rabbi Bolton



Talmud Class. Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 pm, beginning Oct. 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. No previous Talmud study or knowledge of Hebrew or Aramaic is required.

Siddur Class. Thursdays, 8:40-9:40 am, beginning Oct. 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.

## OZ Perspectives: Masterworks of Modern Jewish Scholarship Tuesdays, 6:30-9:00 pm, Nov. 5 through Dec. 10



Six-session course taught by Rabbi Joseph Schwartz. Please join him as we explore masterworks of Jewish scholarship composed over the past century. Selections by Gershom Scholem, Yosef Hayim Yerushalmi, Robert Alter, Jon Levenson, Judith Plaskow and Daniel Boyarin. Register at https://tinyurl.com/0ZPfall2019.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**



Barry Feldman's Jewish History Course, Sundays, 10 am-12 pm, Nov. 10, 17, 24, Dec., 1. Join historian Barry Feldman in "From Beame to Bloomberg: Jews and New York City Government." 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 four-session course.



Gallery Film: "Children of the Inquisition" and talk with director Sunday, Nov. 10, 4:00 pm. The documentary, "Children of the Inquisition," directed by Joseph Lovett, is a reconsideration of history and identity as it unearths the long-hidden secrets of what happened to the people forced to convert or flee during the Spanish and Portuguese Inquisitions. Their stories are told through contemporary descendants, many of whom are just now discovering their once problematic Jewish roots.



#### Did you know 1 in 5 New Yorkers is food insecure?

**1. Help package and distribute food** pantry packages for families 9:00 am-12 pm Wednesday, Nov. 6.

**2.** Volunteer to help serve a hot breakfast at the NY Common Pantry, 8 East 109th St., on Tuesday, Sept. 17, 7:00 am-9:30 am. Contact Lesley Palmer at hesed@orzarua.org to sign up or ask questions.



#### Thursday Night Pasta and Salad at NCS

**3rd & 4th Thursdays each month, 6:00-6:45 pm.** OZ congregants serve hot food and good cheer at the Neighborhood Coalition for Shelter's East 81st Street Residence. Volunteers needed as well as donations to the

Hesed Fund. Contact Jeff Haberman, jeff32449@verizon.net.

#### Volunteers needed for one hour a month to help make a Kabbalat Shabbat

Minyan We are actively seeking additional congregants to commit to attending one Friday evening minyan per month. The service lasts about one hour. If you can commit to one minyan per month, please email Helene Santo at hsanto@orzarua.org.

#### **Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday, 9am-5pm Friday and Erev Yom Tov, 9am-1pm. Closed on Jewish and Federal Holidays. Lost and Found: Call the office if you are missing anything! More information about these and other events can be found on our website.

# YOUTH AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

Youth Shabbat Services Torah Tots (Infant-Pre-K), 11:00-11:45 am Torah Kids (Elementary), 11:00-11:45 am





#### Shalom Sing-A-Long Mondays, 10:15

**am** Shalom Sing-A-Long meets on Mondays (not Sept. 30). Join us with little ones for Jewish and Hebrew songs along with favorite kids' "classics" with music, movement, puppets, instruments and more!

Sign up for one class or for the whole semester (discount) http://www.orzarua.org/or-latid/early-childhood/



Yoga, Goga, Shabbat! Fridays, 10:00 am Parents, grandparents and caregivers get in the Shabbat mood with their little ones through yoga, Jewish meditation, sensory experiences and more. Focus on family and being together as we unplug before Shabbat. http://www.orzarua.org/or-latid/early-childhood/



#### Save the Date! Family Shabbat

Saturday, Nov. 9, 10:30 am Youth and Family Services begin at 10:30 am. A family lunch will follow services.

Middle Schoolers, try Tastes & Tradition with Rabbi Bolton Monthly Wednesdays, 6:15-7:15. The next meeting is Nov. 13



**For more information** about Youth Programs and Hebrew School, contact Sigal Hirsch at (212) 452-2310 x15 or shirsch@orzarua.org, or visit www.orzarua.org/or-latid/.



Keep track of upcoming events all year round by adding our Or L'Atid calendar to your Google calendar www.orzarua.org/orlatid/calendar/.

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