

May 2023/5783

OR ZARUA MONTHLY SPOTLIGHT



Join us for upcoming events:

Marc Ashley's Adult Education Course
Sunday, May 7, 10:00 am (Final Class)

Israel Update with Rabbi Joe Schwartz
Monday, May 8, 12:00 pm

OZ Campaign for the Future Celebration
Tuesday, May 9, 8:00 pm

Or L'Atid Lag Ba'Omer Party
Wednesday, May 10, 5:30 pm

**Kiddush in the Round
and Shabbat HaYeled**
Saturday, May 13

OZ Annual Meeting
Tuesday, May 23, 8:00 pm

Shavuot Celebrations
Shavuot begins Thursday night, May 25

Details inside...



Learn with us!

Join weekly classes with Rabbi Bolton

COMMUNITY TORAH STUDY

Mondays, 12:00 PM, ZOOM ONLY

Leadership: Searching the Weekly Torah Portion for Inspiration

<http://tinyurl.com/OZMondayTorahStudy>

TALMUD CLASS

Wednesdays, 7:30 PM, HYBRID

Masekhet Makkot, Continued

Punishments in Search of Crimes & Wisdom for Developing Moral Citizenship

<https://tinyurl.com/OZWedTalmudClass>

SIDDUR AND PRAYER CLASS

Thursdays, 8:40 AM, IN PERSON ONLY

Class and Discussion Group

Lekha Dodi: Meeting the Mystical

Sabbath Queen and Other Evening Prayers

Pray with us!

SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday Services: 6:30 pm

Saturday Services: 9:00 am

WEEKDAY MINYANIM

Sunday: 8:45 am

Monday: 7:15 am

Tuesday (Zoom): 7:15 am

Wednesday: 7:15 am

Thursday: 7:15 am

Friday: 7:15 am

See the calendar on page 10 for holiday service times.

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Office Hours

MONDAY - THURSDAY

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

FRIDAY

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SATURDAY - SUNDAY

The office is closed.



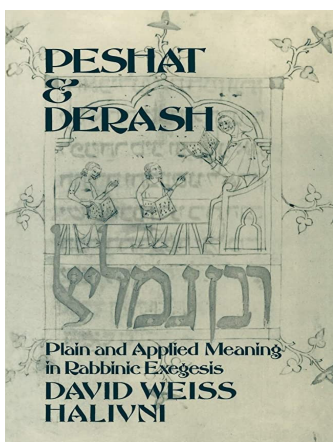
Class WITH MARC ASHLEY

A Certain Amount of Harmony: The Life and Learning of David Weiss Halivni

*Marc Ashley's Adult Education Course
Between Pesah & Shavuot*

FINAL CLASS ON ZOOM

Sunday, May 7, at 10:00 AM



Can traditional Judaism overcome the thorny theological and halakhic problems posed by modern critical scholarship, such as Halivni's, that has exposed textual blemishes in both the Torah and Talmud?

Can we continue to owe allegiance to those classical texts, to which Judaism traditionally ascribed divinity, if they bear historical hallmarks of defective human transmission and development?

Please join us on Zoom as we honor Halivni's blessed memory by exploring his trailblazing thought. From Halivni's inspiring life and learning, we can gain insight and guidance into navigating the daunting clash between tradition and truth in the modern world.

Zoom link: tinyurl.com/MarcAshley

For more information, visit orzarua.org.

Israel UPDATE

WITH
RABBI
JOE
SCHWARTZ

Monday, May 8, 12:00 pm



Tune in for reflections on Israel from Rabbi Joe Schwartz, Director of Makom, the Israel education laboratory Jewish Agency, which seeks to strengthen the bonds between world Jewry and Israel through bold, deep and engaging educational initiatives.

Joe is a “ben bayit” of Or Zarua having grown up at our congregation. Since making aliyah, he has had a close-up view of all that is unfolding in Israel, and he has incisive perspectives to share with us.

Prior to joining Makom, Joe launched his own venture, IDRA, which aimed to bring Jews together through culture, learning and food. He served as a congregational rabbi in New York City's Greenwich Village, and he has written curricula and taught for diverse audiences. And he also served as Or Zarua's first rabbinic intern. Before becoming a rabbi, Joe was a litigator at the firm of Kramer, Levin, Naftalis & Frankel.

A native of the City, Joe holds degrees from Columbia University and the NYU School of Law, and he received his rabbinic ordination from the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies.

In August 2020, Joe made Aliya with his family. He is married to Avigail and kvelling father to Zev, Paz and Shai. They live in Tel Aviv.

Joe wrote an account of the factors that led to his Aliya, which can be read here: wesleayang.substack.com/p/bones-of-joseph

Join us on Zoom:
tinyurl.com/OZMondayTorahStudy

Celebrate together as we honor Rabbi Bolton and the Campaign for the Future

**TUESDAY, MAY 9
8:00 PM**

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Purpose & Prosperity

*Celebrating
our Future*

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE

**OR ZARUA'S
CAMPAIGN FOR THE FUTURE**

HONORING THE LEADERSHIP AND VISION OF
RABBI SCOTT N. BOLTON
ON HIS 10TH ANNIVERSARY

TUESDAY, MAY 9 | 8:00PM
DESSERT & DRINKS

CONGREGATION OR ZARUA
127 E. 82ND STREET
NEW YORK CITY



COCKTAIL ATTIRE

RSVP at
[ORZARUA.SHULCLOUD.COM/FORM/GIVING](https://orzarua.shulcloud.com/form/giving)

Coming Up

FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES WITH OR L'ATID



Wednesday, May 10
5:30 pm

Come celebrate Lag Ba'Omer!
All are welcome -
bring friends and family.
Enjoy BBQ and s'mores, along with lots
of fun activities!

There is no cost for
the event,
but please sign up on
ShulCloud:
[orzarua.shulcloud.com](https://orzarua.shulcloud.com/form/2022-2023-or-latid-lag-b-omer.html)
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[Lag B'Omer.html](https://orzarua.shulcloud.com/form/2022-2023-or-latid-lag-b-omer.html)



Celebrate OZ's Kids

Shabbat HaYeled
Saturday, May 13

As the school year draws to an end, we will also take this opportunity to celebrate our children on Shabbat HaYeled. Kids will participate in services, and share their learning this year.

Parents, family and community members are invited to participate in kiddush sponsorship to honor our children.

orzarua.shulcloud.com/form/Kiddush-in-the-Round-Sponsorship

Hebrew School Siyyum
Monday, May 22, 5:00 pm

Hebrew School ends on
Wednesday, May 24

Celebrate Shabbat at OZ!

Saturday, May 13

Once each month, following Shabbat services, we have an expanded, sit-down kiddush luncheon, where OZers of all ages can spend time together on Shabbat.

There will be a lovely sit-down kiddush, with yummy desserts.

It will be a great time to schmooze, meet and spend time with other congregants.

Board games will be available for kids (and adults) to play!



While RSVPs are not required for services and there is no charge for lunch, we ask that all **those planning to stay for Kiddush RSVP at tinyurl.com/KiddushRound-May13 so we can be sure to have enough space and food for all attending.**



34TH Annual Meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 23, 8:00 PM

IN PERSON AND ON ZOOM

**THE TAR BEACH PICNIC WILL BEGIN
ON THE ROOF AT 6:30 PM.**

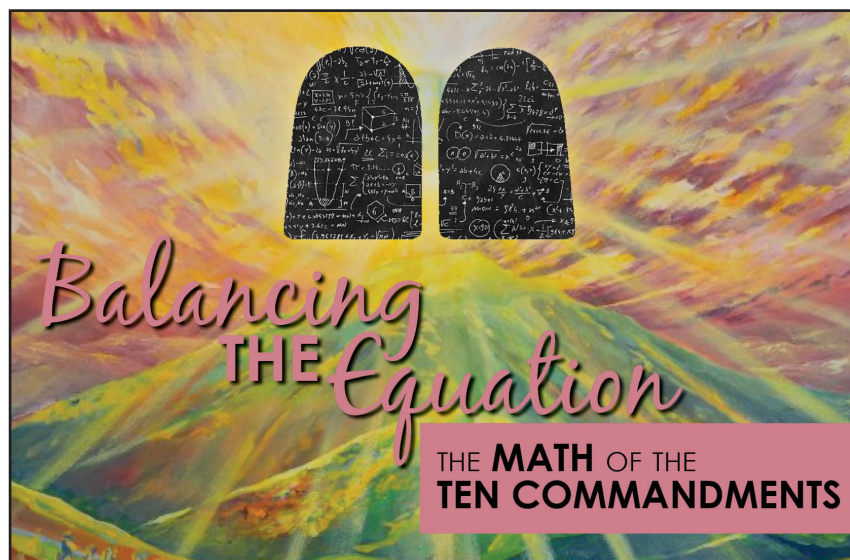
Be sure to submit your proxy and to RSVP for the picnic.
Visit orzarua.org to view the slate of officers and trustees,
to RSVP for the picnic, and for more information.

**PROXIES MUST BE SUBMITTED
VIA SHULCLOUD BY NOON ON MAY 23.
TINYURL.COM/OZANNUALMEETING2023**



CELEBRATE Shavuot

WITH OR ZARUA



Thursday, May 25, 8:00 pm Festival Ma'ariv followed by Tikkun Leil Shavuot

The Ten Commandments (the Aseret HaDibrot) – arguably the most important text in Judaism – are a highly relevant subject of study on Shavuot night, as we celebrate the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai. But studying the Ten Commandments is no simple matter, as their underlying “math” is anything but straightforward.

The Ten Commandments reflect various numerical quirks. Did you realize that, despite their centrality to Judaism, the Torah contains two competing versions of this primary revelation? That there's no traditional Jewish consensus as to how precisely to enumerate the Ten Commandments, what even constitutes the first of them, and how many were directly revealed by God? And that other biblical texts seem to suggest alternative aggregate numbers for the “Ten” Commandments?

Please join our communal learning session for Tikkun Leil Shavuot as **Rabbi Bolton** and congregant **Marc Ashley** lead a compelling discussion of the intriguingly muddled numbers game of the Ten Commandments.

Shavuot Schedule

Thursday, May 25

7:57 pm Candle Lighting

8:00 pm Festival Ma'ariv
followed by Tikkun

Friday, May 26

9:00 am Shaharit

6:30 pm Minhah/Ma'ariv

7:58 pm Candle Lighting

Saturday, May 27

8:45 am Shaharit, including
Megillat Ruth and Yizkor

9:00 pm Shabbat and
Yom Tov end

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 • 10 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 10:00a Shalom Sing Along with Tkiya 12:00p Jews of Uganda on Zoom 4:00p Heb. School	2 • 11 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit (Zoom)	3 • 12 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 4:00p Heb. School 5:00p B'nei Mitzvah Scholars 7:30p Talmud Class	4 • 13 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 8:40a Siddur Class	5 • 14 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 6:30p Minhah/ Kabbalat Shabbat 7:37p Candle Lighting	6 • 15 Iyar Emor Bat Mitzvah - Margot Miller 9:00a Shaharit 8:37p Havdalah
7 • 16 Iyar 8:45a Shaharit 10:00a Marc Ashley Adult Ed Class	8 • 17 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 10:00a Shalom Sing Along with Tkiya 12:00p Israel Update with Joe Schwartz on Zoom 4:00p Heb School 6:00p MS/HS Class with Rabbi Bolton	9 • 18 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit (Zoom) 8:00p Celebration of Or Zarua's Campaign for the Future	10 • 19 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 4:00p Heb. School 5:00p B'nei Mitzvah Scholars 5:30p Or L'Atid Lag B'Omer Party 7:30p Talmud Class	11 • 20 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 8:40a Siddur Class	12 • 21 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 6:30p Minhah/ Kabbalat Shabbat 7:45p Candle Lighting	13 • 22 Iyar Behar- Behukotai Shabbat HaYeled 9:00a Shaharit Kiddush in the Round 11:00a Torah Tots with Tkiya 8:45p Havdalah
14 • 23 Iyar 8:45a Shaharit	15 • 24 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 10:00a Shalom Sing Along with Tkiya 12:00p Torah Study (Zoom) 4:00p Heb. School	16 • 25 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit (Zoom)	17 • 26 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 4:00p Heb. School 5:00p B'nei Mitzvah Scholars 7:30p Talmud Class	18 • 27 Iyar 7:15a Shaharit 8:40a Siddur Class 5:00p NCS Hessed Program	19 • 28 Iyar Yom Yerushalayim 7:15a Shaharit 6:30p Minhah/ Kabbalat Shabbat 7:51p Candle Lighting	20 • 29 Iyar Bemidbar Birkat Hodesh 9:00a Shaharit 8:53p Havdalah
21 • 1 Sivan Rosh Hodesh 8:45a Shaharit	22 • 2 Sivan 7:15a Shaharit 10:00a Shalom Sing Along with Tkiya 12:00p Torah Study (Zoom) 4:00p Heb. School 5:00p Hebrew School Siyyum	23 • 3 Sivan 7:15a Shaharit (Zoom) 6:30p Tar Beach Picnic 8:00p Annual Meeting	24 • 4 Sivan 7:15a Shaharit 4:00p Heb. School 5:00p B'nei Mitzvah Scholars 7:30p Talmud Class Last Day of Hebrew School	25 • 5 Sivan 7:15a Shaharit 8:40a Siddur Class 5:00p NCS Hessed Program 7:57p Candle Lighting 8:00p Festival Maariv and Tikkun Office closes at 1 pm	26 • 6 Sivan Shavuot I 9:00a Shaharit 6:30p Minhah/ Kabbalat Shabbat 7:58p Candle Lighting Office closed	27 • 7 Sivan Shavuot II 8:45a Shaharit with Yizkor and Megillat Ruth 9:00p Havdalah
28 • 8 Sivan 8:45a Shaharit	29 • 9 Sivan Memorial Day 8:45a Shaharit Office closed	30 • 10 Sivan 7:15a Shaharit (Zoom)	31 • 11 Sivan 7:15a Shaharit 7:30p Talmud Class	1 • 12 Sivan 7:15a Shaharit 8:40a Siddur Class	2 • 13 Sivan 7:15a Shaharit 6:30p Minhah/ Kabbalat Shabbat 8:03p Candle Lighting	3 • 14 Sivan Naso 9:00a Shaharit 9:06p Havdalah

Save these June dates!

Sunday, June 4: Celebrate Israel Parade

Saturday, June 10: Post-Kiddush Haburah with Nancy Wolfson



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*Dear Or Zarua,
We are sharing a hard copy of our new "Or Zarua Spotlight"
that will be emailed to all members at the beginning of each
month. If you'd like to receive a hard copy in the mail
monthly, please let Deborah know, dwenger@orzarua.org.
Hard copies will be available in the sanctuary as well.*

*We hope you'll connect with us for all these programs,
participate in our Campaign for the Future and come to
our Shabbat services and daily minyan.*

See you at OZ!