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### What's Happening This Week @BJC

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## See what's happening day by day at BJC!

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**Monday, February 8**

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We will discuss the weekly Torah portion from a liberal viewpoint. In particular, we will examine implications of the text for today's community and the meaning of *emunah* (faith) in the 21st century. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 213 131 426, Password: doron.

**Chesed Week: Create a No-Sew Blanket for [Providence House](#) at 5 pm**

Reserve a blanket kit (while supplies last) at [SignUpGenius](#). All you need are fabric scissors or scissors that have not cut paper before. Margie Cohen will lead a demo on [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 996 6386 5285, Password: chesed.

**The Mystical Secrets of God, the Soul and the Universe - Part 2 of Neffesh Ha-Chayyim with Rabbi Stephen Weiss at 8 pm**

No prior knowledge of Kabbalah or of Neffesh Ha-Chayyim is necessary. Learn how we can achieve spiritual union with God and draw Divine light and energy into our souls and our world. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 95702368445, Password: kabbalah.

## Tuesday, February 9

**Bible Study with Susan Wyner at 10:30 am**

Join in for a close reading of the Torah as we make our way through our most central text. We are currently studying the book of Deuteronomy. Join us on [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 864 643 841; Password: Torah18. (Class materials: [Devarim Torah Text 30-31:30](#))

**Sisterhood Lunch & Learn: Kosher Food Pantry at 12:30 pm**

Devorah Alevsky, Director of the KFP, will speak about the history of the KFP, how the pandemic has impacted them and how their dedicated volunteers are on the front line assuring that seniors and low income families receive the meals they need.

Contact [Harriet Mann](#) for more information. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 9969 498 6840, Password: sisterhood. In conjunction with Chesed Week, we are collecting unexpired peanut butter, canned salmon and tuna outside the synagogue from 7 am - 6:30 pm on Tuesday and also on Sunday, February 14 from 10 am - noon.

**Coffee Talk with the Clergy at 2 pm**

All are welcome to join us for a weekly check-in and conversation with the clergy, who will rotate weeks. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 94801989217, Password: clergy.

**Men's Club Happy Hour at 5 pm**

This week's Happy Hour features a replay of the November 19 Cooking with Murray & Tova, which presented six different award winning Cholents (or Chulnts, depending on your heritage), under the direction of our Zoom master, Chad Cohen.

[Debbe Rabinowitz's Barbecue Cholent](#), [Zehava Galun's Vegetarian Cholent](#), [Stephanie Berkowitz's Moroccan Dafina](#), [Tova Cohen's Hot & Spicy](#) as well as her [Beef, White Bean & Swiss Chard](#) Chulnts and [Murray Berkowitz's The Murrays Cholent](#). [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 98877472739, password: mensclub. If you have an idea for a future topic, contact [Mitch Lauer](#).

### **ScholarStream: How We Navigate Ethical Dilemmas and Reshape Rituals to Draw Us Closer to God at 8 pm**

Members of the CJLS will take us through four *teshuvot* (responsa) that have recently been passed by the law committee. Tonight, Rabbi Pamela Barmash will speak on the topic of [Birkat Hamazon](#). We are pleased to bring you these programs free of charge through the generosity of the Rabbi Rudolph Rosenthal Memorial Fund.

[CJLS Registration Link](#); use coupon code: PepperJan21.

## Wednesday, February 10

### **Mishnah: The New Scripture with Rabbi Alan Lettovsky at 10:30 am**

Most Jewish institutions and values, while based on the Bible, were created by the ancient rabbis. The Mishnah and its expansion into the full Talmud are the core texts for our Jewish foundations. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 408 458 674, Password: mishnah.

### **Breishit Bara: Lessons for a Creative Life at noon**

Jenny Kaplan from Omanoot Studio will bring together art and texts from Genesis to inspire us to embody our creative spirits. Join us to explore new ways of looking at creation in our lives. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 95534590771, Password: creation.

### **Kosher Fitness with Rabbi Michael Ungar at 1 pm**

It's back and better than ever! Get moving and get fit as we approach the secular new year. Join Certified Personal Trainer (and Rabbi!) Michael Ungar for a weekly 45-50 minute workout - appropriate for all levels; no need for special equipment since we will use objects you already have at home! [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 98278241024, Password: workout.

### **Chesed Week: Knitting Scarves for Walls of Love at 7 pm**

Grab your yarn and knitting needles as we create knit scarves for the [Walls of Love](#), a locally-founded nationwide project to help the homeless. **Zehava Galun** will lead this knitting group; all levels are welcome. This group will also discuss an ongoing knitting time they can meet on a regular basis. Everyone participating must have their own knitting supplies. (Yarn should be worsted, bulky or chunky weight). [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 949 6105 0791, Password: chesed. Contact [Rachel Schwarz](#) to learn more.

### **ScholarStream: The Stories We Tell: Revealing Ourselves in Ancient Narratives at 10 pm**

Join Ziegler faculty as they explore our biblical and rabbinic narratives to draw lessons for today. Tonight, Rabbi Dr. Bradley Artson will speak on the topic of Acquiring Torah: The Story of Rabbi Akiva. We are pleased to bring you these programs free of charge through the generosity of the Rabbi Rudolph Rosenthal Memorial Fund.

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## Thursday, February 11

### **The Most Interesting Synagogues in the World with Rabbi Josh Foster at 10:00 am**

While we wait for an end to the pandemic and travel to resume, join Rabbi Foster for a virtual exploration of some of the most interesting synagogues in the world and the communities they serve. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 98528322406, Password: BJC.

### **Ethical & Ritual Issues Through the Lens of Conservative Jewish Law with Rabbi Stephen Weiss at noon**

Through the study of responsa (Jewish law papers) from the Law Committee of the Rabbinical Assembly, we will explore what Jewish tradition has to say about the most pressing and significant issues of our day. Class is always lively, filled with text study and discussion. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 388326341, Password: ethics.

### **Cooking with Murray & Tova with Guest Speaker Carl Cook at 7 pm**

Tova will share her [lasagna recipe](#) with homemade spaghetti sauce and roasted zucchini & squash. **Carl Cook**, Director of **St. Herman's House of Hospitality**, will join us to share a few words about their all male shelter and mission. Donate your prepared lasagnas to St. Herman's; store them in your freezer until you drop-off at the synagogue on Sunday. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 864 6867 0994, Password: cooking. Contact [Rachel Schwarz](#) to learn more.

### **The How & Why of Jewish Rituals with Cantor Aaron Shifman at 8 pm**

We will discuss baby namings, marriage, divorce, hospitality, visiting the sick, death and mourning. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 524068297, Password: cantor.

## Friday, February 12 Rosh Hodesh Adar

### **Chesed Week - on your own time**

Print out and decorate one of our [PDF Shabbat cards](#) or create your own for residents of Menorah Park. Call fellow members to wish them a "Shabbat Shalom."

### **Kinder Shabbat at 10:30 am**

Have fun with us on Facebook (Mishpachot - B'nai Jeshurun Young Families) as we welcome Shabbat with your favorite songs with Mr. Chuck and prayers with the clergy, too! [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 233169518, Password: shabbat.

### **An Historical Introduction to the Laws of Purim with Rabbi Noah Bickart at noon**

Rabbi Bickart will trace the ways the laws of Purim have developed from the text of the Megillah through Modern Codes. We will study the way that the performance of these commandments translates the values of the holiday into the living reality of the Jewish (and broader) community. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 88311615204, Password: 438537.

## Saturday, February 13

### Rosh Hodesh Adar

#### **Men's Club/Chesed Shabbat honoring Frontline Heroes - Shabbat services at 9 am**

As we approach the one-year anniversary of the pandemic arriving in the Cleveland area, our BJC family is profoundly grateful to all the heroes in our midst: anyone willing to put their own life on the line and to rush toward the suffering rather than run away from it. This includes as well the many people who perform tasks that enable our society to function: the maintenance staff in the hospitals, for example, along with workers in drug stores and supermarkets, postal workers and delivery truck drivers, and more. On behalf of the congregation, we say "thank you" to all our health care professionals, senior living and home aide staff, essential workers, and first responders for what you have done and continue to do during these difficult times.

The entire congregation is invited to join us online as we give thanks to all the heroes among us and especially our doctors and nurses who have cared for us during these difficult days. In their honor let us proclaim *l'chayim* and *todah rabbah*: thank you for all you have done, and will continue to do, for the congregation and our community.

**Nominate your hero (or yourself) [here!](#)**

#### **Starbucks Bread & Torah with rotating teachers at 9 am**

Gain fresh insights into the Torah, and study with great teachers! Jerry Isaak-Shapiro leads this week's discussion. [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 979212512, Password: torah.

#### **22nd Annual Sheila Radman Balk VIRTUAL Cholent Showcase - Presented by Men's Club Following the Shabbat morning service (at approximately noon)**

Enjoy a showcase of superbly cooked cholents prepared by our wonderful chefs. Entrants follow their own recipes and we'll just have to savor the smell and taste via our own digital device from home! No cost. Little planning. Just enjoy this online event! Since every cholent has a story, we are interested in sharing what makes your cholent personal and meaningful. Please contact [Richard Berkowitz](#) or [Mitch Lauer](#) and help contribute to, and enhance, our Cholent Showcase. We will stay on after the morning service (the link is the same): [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 750 690 071, Password: shabbat.

#### **A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Food Bank at 7:30 pm**

Enjoy a great evening of comedy with the B'nai Jeshurun Men's Club. \$18 per Zoom screen; proceeds will benefit several food banks. Direct contributions may be made to the food banks before, during and after the event. The evening will include a variety of live virtual performances by comedians and improvisation artists. Learn more and register [here](#).

## Sunday, February 14

#### **Chesed Week Drop Off @ BJC between 10 am - noon**

Collection bins will be outside for you to drop off what you've made.

## Monday, February 15

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**Neffesh Ha-Chayyim with Rabbi Stephen Weiss will not be held this evening.**

## Live Stream or Zoom into Services!

Learn to [Zoom here](#).

You have two ways to watch/participate in Shabbat and minyan services:

- [Stream Services by clicking here](#).
- For an interactive experience, Zoom our services! See others who are at the service with you. All voices except clergy will be muted until after services at which time we will leave the session open for a "Virtual Kiddush" so people can talk with each other. [Click here](#). The password for Shabbat services (Friday evening, Saturday morning and Saturday afternoon) is shabbat. For all other services, the password is minyan.

Minyanim are held Mondays - Fridays at 7:15 am and 6:00 pm; Saturdays at 9:00 am and 6:00 pm; Sundays at 8:00 am and 6:00 pm. In person minyan has been suspended until further notice.

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