We Remember

Oct 31-20 Cheshvan
Dr. Morris Binder
Madeleine Alexandre Field
Louis Goldberg
Larry Kanar
Stuart Kaufman
Earl Lachman
Alexander Lebovitz
Shirlee Lessman Lerman
Rebecca Lipson
Stewart Lurie
Martin Pearlman
Sarah Rubens
Frank Rudich
Arlene Saretsky
Edward Serafin

Nov 1- 21 Cheshvan
Marshall Berman
Steve Cole
Jacob Fogel
Maurice H. Forkash
Milton Lesnoy
David Lorber
Esther Lutz
Morris Martin
Klara Radovskiy
Harry Sherman
Arnold Smoler
Richard Allen Walk
Eugene Wassermann
Hymen Weisbart

Nov 2 – 22 Cheshvan
Lennard Becker
Sylvia Berliner
Armin Friedman
Max Goldman
Harry Hodes
Sidney Holab
Simon Jacknovitch
Jack Leafman
Ruth Marder
Jules Schaffer
Ann Kaplan Silverman

Nov 3 – 23 Cheshvan
Lenore Africk
Molly Belenke
Velma Cohn
Marcia Collender
William Dubofsky
Philip Freed
Minnie Herman
Ida Karlin
Ruth Obrand
Dianne Paprocki
Joseph Schwartz
Ann Schwartz
Hymen Weisbart
May Zlatkin

Nov 4 – 24 Cheshvan
Robert Burros
Arthur Goldberg
Stewart Allen Metzger
Norma Moseson
Lorraine Shapiro
Hyman Weber

Nov 5 – 25 Cheshvan
Jacob Balter
Abraham David Block
Shirley Bornstein
Goldie Grace Boyansky
Rae Cotton
Jack Feldman
Sylvia Fink
Rose Greenfield
Ilse Hayum Weiner
Bernard Roth
Ruth Schlegman
Earl B. Slavitt
Betty Tenenblatt
David Zemsky

Nov 6 – 26 Cheshvan
Fran Sharp Auslander
Belle Bell
Sophia M. Berger
Wes Berman
Dora Bosley
Burt Gitles
Lillian Miller
Lester Scott
Annette Braverman Semans
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If you are interested in being a part of our community, please contact Michael Garlin, Executive Director.

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CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM

Welcome to Congregation Beth Shalom!

We seek to enrich the lives of our congregation through ever-evolving ideals of observance, life-long learning, and acts of kindness from this generation to the next. We are committed to meeting the spiritual, educational and social needs of our members through the practice of Conservative Judaism in an all-inclusive manner. We seek to encourage involvement and create a sense of belonging by serving our community, the Jewish people, and the State of Israel.

We hope you enjoy worshiping with us. Following services, please join us for kiddush luncheon and introduce yourself so we may personally greet you.

Senior Rabbi David Chapman • Senior Cantor Steven Stoehr • Assistant Rabbi Jacki Honig
Kevin Braude, President • Rabbi Emeritus Carl Wolkin z'l

Mazel Tov to our Bat Mitzvah, Brielle, daughter of Laura and David Horwitch

Schedule of Services

In-Person & Live Stream,
Sunday & Major Holidays @ 8:45 AM
Monday-Friday @ 7:45 AM
Sunday-Thursday @ 7:45 PM

CBS has daily in-person Minyanim.
Please take an active role in our community by helping us make Minyan every morning & evening.

Thought to Ponder:

When in your life has a visitor felt like an angel from heaven?

Acknowledgements

The Kiddush is hosted by: Laura and David Horwitch in honor of their daughter, Brielle becoming a Bat Mitzvah; the Congregation, Sisterhood and the Laven Family Shabbat Celebration Fund.

Mark Your Calendars

Nov 1	Sisterhood Boutique
Nov 6	FYC Shabbat Experience
Nov 6	Birthday Shabbat Selahbrate
Nov 8	Sisterhood Torah Fund Event
Nov 9	A Kristallnacht Musical Witnessing
Nov 10	Hazak Lunch and Learn
Nov 13	Anniversary Shabbat Selahbrate
Nov 14	Ark Adventures

Visit our Website for all of our Programs
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Congregational Gifts

B'nai Mitzvah receive gifts from the congregation, Sisterhood, Men's Club, JUF, the Youth Commission and Rochelle Zell Jewish High School.

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Synagogue Etiquette

In keeping with the spirit of Shabbat and to respect your fellow worshipers, please refrain from taking photographs, texting and writing. If you must be accessible, please set your phone on silent. Please do not use your cell phone anywhere inside the building.

If you have any questions, please see one of our volunteer Shabbat Ambassadors.

We invite you to visit **www.BethShalomNB.org** for more information about Beth Shalom and our many events, classes and programs happening throughout the year! **All CBS religious services are live streamed.**

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This Week's Parashah

Three strangers appear outside Abraham's tent and Abraham rushes to provide hospitality. They bring messages from God: Abraham and Sarah are going to have a son; and, that Sodom and Gomorrah will be destroyed for their evil ways. Abraham is distressed by this message of doom. Surely the God whom he has come to know would not destroy the just along with the wicked. Abraham pleads with God for the cities. God agrees and will not destroy the cities if Abraham can find even 10 innocent people. But even the ten cannot be found and Abraham gives up his defense. God destroys the cities; only Lot's family is spared. Sarah and Abraham welcome son Isaac. Hagar and Ishmael are sent away. But Abraham's faith in God is greatly tested when he is asked to offer up Isaac to God. Abraham prepares to carry out God's will, but at the last moment, as Isaac lies on the altar, God makes it known to Abraham that God does not want a human sacrifice, and Isaac is saved. It is clear that our faith differs from other ancient religions in which human sacrifice was commonly practiced.

Today's Haftarah

The Haftarah details three miracles involving the prophet Elisha, the disciple of Elijah. A poor, widowed woman is about to lose her children as payment for her family's debts. She goes to Elisha for help. The prophet counsels her to borrow vessels from her neighbors and to fill them all with one small pot of oil the woman has in her home. Miraculously, the oil fills every vessel she can obtain, and the sale of the oil enables her to pay off her debts. In the second instance, Elisha is shown favor by a Shunamite woman and he wishes to repay her kindness. When he learns that she is childless, Elisha informs her that in the coming year she will have a son and she does. When the young boy apparently dies, Elisha revives him. The prophet Elisha, like Abraham, pursues a life of good deeds and loving-kindness. He tries to bring relief, consolation and blessing wherever he goes. The story of the Shunamite woman, whose kindness to Elisha is rewarded by news that she will bear a child, parallels that of Abraham and Sarah, whose own acts of kindness to three strangers results in similar news.