

This Shabbat – 9 Av 5775

Erev Shabbat

18:30 Erev Shabbat Service

in the Beit Tefillah

Led by Rabbi Mark and Cantor Cheryl.

19:30 Shabbat B’Yachad

in the Leo Baeck Hall

Join us for an Oneg Shabbat, an opportunity to share a Shabbat meal and sing songs.

Shabbat Morning

Torah Reading: Parashat D’varim

	Deuteronomy 2:1-19
Soncino	p743
Plaut (old)	p1327
Plaut (new)	p1166

09:15 Shiur: The Sugyot Every Reform Jew Should Know

in the Library

A sugya is a discrete section of the Babylonian Talmud. In this series of shiurim, with Rabbi Josh, we look at sugyot which are especially important, insightful or entertaining, and which every educated Jew should know about. In this shiur, a Tisha B’Av special, we will be looking at a sugya about the reasons for the destruction of Jerusalem.

10:30 Community Shabbat Morning Service

in the Beit Tefillah

Led by Rabbi Josh.

The Torah portion will be read by David Guilloff and Rabbi Josh.

The Haftarah (Isaiah 1:7-16, 26-27) will be read by John Fulcher.

The sermon will be given by Rabbi Josh.

22:00 Erev Tisha B’Av

in the Leo Baeck Hall

Join Rabbi Josh and Rabbi Miriam Berger for Havdallah (of a sort), Ma’ariv and Eicha. Run jointly with our friends from Finchley Reform Synagogue at Alyth.

Shabbat at Alyth

Throughout Jewish history, Shabbat has been at the heart of Jewish life, a distinctive and special time, different from the working week.

At Alyth, we strive to uphold this holiness of Shabbat, with learning and multiple services to meet the needs of the community. Please help us to ensure that everyone is able to pray and participate by thinking about the needs of those around you.

Together we make *Kiddush* (the prayer sanctifying the day) with wine and challah on both Erev Shabbat and Shabbat morning. We ask that you do not start eating until the blessings have been recited.

To help us to separate Shabbat from the rest of the week, we ask that you please switch off your mobile phone, and do not take photographs or smoke on the premises on Shabbat.

In making Shabbat special, we rely on the contribution of many of our members. Thank you to everybody who has helped this Shabbat, including our members’ choirs, wardens, those who have set out flowers and *Kiddush*, and our volunteers on security duty.

Shabbat Shalom

This Week

Sunday 26 July

14:00 – 16:00 Monthly Drop-In for Recent Refugees

We welcome refugees recently arrived in the UK and offer them support and friendship in a warm and safe environment.

Wednesday 29 July

10:30 – 11:30 Threads Group

A session for anyone interested in taking part in the Threads Group new project of creating an Omer Calendar.

Friday 31 July

18:30 – 19:30 Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Led by Rabbi Josh.

Saturday 1 August

10:30 – 12:30 Classical Shabbat Service

Including the B’nei Mitzvah of Isaac Howard and Jack MacArthur.

Led by Cantor Cheryl with the sermon given by Rabbi Deborah Kahn-Harris.

Sunday 2 August

15:00 – 17:00 Singing For Pleasure

Viv will guide you through the vocal and musical requirements to enable you to have a great time singing. Contact Viv on 020 8457 8783 or email viv@alyth.org.uk

19:30 – 22:00 Bridge

For more information please contact Clive on 020 8361 5711

Alyth Webcam

The Alyth webcam is live in the Beit Tefillah. Kabbalat

Shabbat and Saturday morning services can be viewed from our website.

Participants in the service will be in view when at the reading desk and opening the Ark doors.

Jewish British Servicemen

Did you, or do you know anyone who was in the Armed Forces during World War II and is happy to be interviewed by a History student at Oxford? Please contact jacob.rabinowitz@balliol.ox.ac.uk who is writing a thesis on the experiences of Jewish British servicemen.

Regular Activities This Week

For more information about any of our regular activities happening this week please go to our new website at www.alyth.org.uk.

Alyth is delighted to be hosting RSY-Netzer Day Camp at Alyth from Monday 27 July – Friday 31 July.

Sunday

- Sunday Shacharit & Bagel Breakfast (09:00 – 10:00)

Monday

- Bereavement Group Meeting (10:30 – 12:00)

- Senior Club (14:00 – 16:00) Club Outing

Wednesday

- Jewish Mindfulness Meditation (20:00 – 21:00)

Thursday

- Mellow Yoga for All Ages (11:00 – 12:00)

- Bridge@Alyth (14:00 – 16:30)

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Dates for your Diary

August Shabbat Shiurim (09:15 – 10:15)

8 August The Troublesome Second Paragraph of the Shema

Why the second paragraph of the Shema, found in this week’s portion, has been so challenging for Progressive Jews. With Rabbi Josh

22 August Torah for Today

An in-depth look at the week’s Torah portion with Cantor Cheryl.

Alyth Weekend Away

Friday 27 – Sunday 29 November

Join us for our fourth Alyth Weekend Away.

We’ll pray, sing, learn and simply be together for two fun filled days in the Oxfordshire countryside. We will also have an opportunity to walk, talk and read the papers or just relax.

The weekend is for everyone in the community—young or old.

It also includes a full programme for children run by our Youth and Education professionals and teenage madrichim.

[Go to www.alyth.org.uk/awa](http://www.alyth.org.uk/awa) for the Application Form.

Community News: 24 –25 July 2015

Alyth is built on a foundation of mutual care, in which we share one another's joys and sorrows, and accompany one another through our life journeys.

On this Shabbat we celebrate with:

David Guilloff and his family on the occasion of him becoming Bar Mitzvah and reading Torah with his community for the first time.

Elad Shabtay and Raisa Nieminen as we welcome **Ari Gabriel** into the Alyth Community

On this Shabbat we join our thoughts with those who are mourning the death of:

Evelyn Mendoza-Rosenbaum, aunt of Laurence Mendoza.

We wish good memories to those marking the anniversary of the death of a loved one:

Marie Bentley, mother of Donald Bentley and Roberta Bentley

Rebecca Blumenthal, mother of Benjamin Barrie

Ted Esterman, father of Susan Fulcher and Michele Esterman

Elsa Gutman, mother of Judith Hyman

Joseph Leslie Joseph, father of Helen Paiba

Stanley Kon, father of Lucie Kon

Ron Lewis, father of Lee Lewis

Eunice Ross, mother of Odette Pyzer

Geoffrey Simmonds, husband of Jean Simmonds, father of John Simmonds, Stephen Simmonds and Charles Simmonds

Lois Simon, mother of Carol Holmes

Haftarah for Shabbat D’varim

Isaiah 1:7-16, 26-27

This is taken from the special haftarah for Shabbat Chazon (the Shabbat of vision) when we read from the vision of Isaiah. This is the third haftarah of rebuke read in advance of Tisha B’Av.

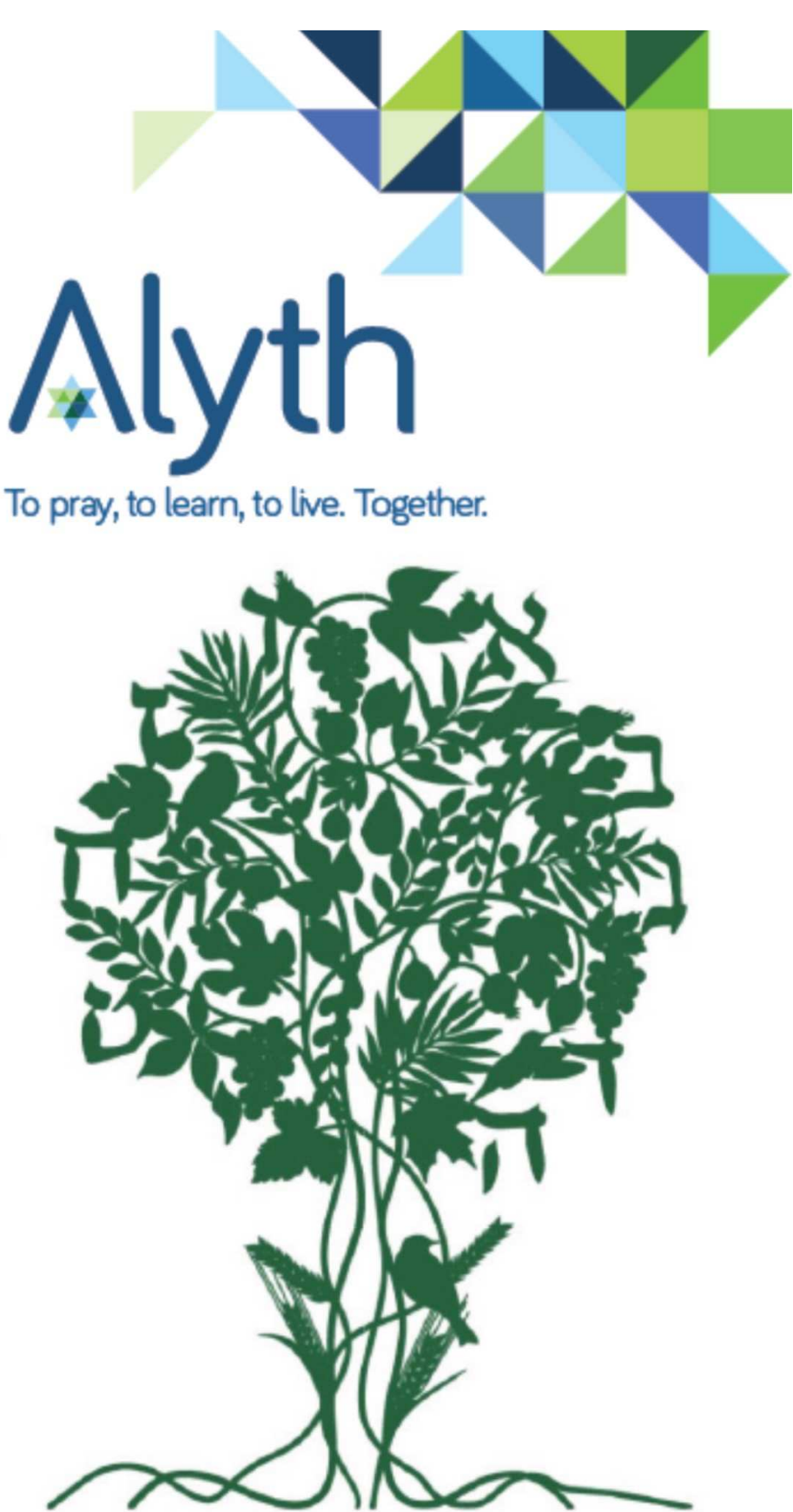
Your land is a waste, your cities burnt down;
Before your eyes, the yield of your soil
Is consumed by strangers—
A wasteland as overthrown by strangers!
Fair Zion is left
Like a booth in a vineyard,
Like a hut in a cucumber field,
Like a city beleaguered.
Had not the God of Hosts left us some survivors,
We should be like Sodom, another Gomorrah.
Hear the word of the Eternal,
You chieftains of Sodom;
Give ear to our God’s instruction,
You folk of Gomorrah!
“What need have I of all your sacrifices?”
Says the Eternal.
“I am sated with burnt offerings of rams,
And suet of fatlings, and blood of bulls;
And I have no delight in lambs and he-goats.
That you come to appear before Me—
Who asked that of you?
Trample My courts no more;
Bringing oblations is futile,
Incense is offensive to Me.
New moon and sabbath,
Proclaiming of solemnities,
Assemblies with iniquity, I cannot abide.
Your new moons and fixed seasons
Fill Me with loathing;
They are become a burden to Me,
I cannot endure them.
And when you lift up your hands,
I will turn My eyes away from you;
Though you pray at length, I will not listen.
Your hands are stained with crime—
Wash yourselves clean;
Put your evil doings away from My sight.
Cease to do evil;

And I will restore your judges as at the first,
and your counsellors as at the beginning.
Afterward you shall be called the city of righteousness,
the faithful city.”
Zion shall be redeemed by justice,
and those in her who repent, by righteousness.

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Welcome to Alyth

We are delighted that you are with us this Shabbat, whether you are a regular or joining us for the first time.

If we can help you in any way please do not hesitate to speak with one of our Clergy, lay leaders or a member of the staff team. Shabbat Shalom.

