

This Shabbat – 27 Tishri 5776

Erev Shabbat

18:30 Erev Shabbat Service

in the Beit Tefillah

Led by Rabbi Mark with the Alyth Youth Singers.

Shabbat Morning

Torah Reading: Shabbat B'reishit

In the Classical Service: Genesis 1:24-2:19

Soncino p4, Plaut (old) p19, Plaut (new) p20

In Kollot: Genesis 2:4-25

Soncino p6, Plaut (old) p29, Plaut (new) p22

9:15 Shiur: The Sugyot Every Reform Jew Should Know Bereshit Special

in the Library

Join Rabbi Josh as we study another important, entertaining or interesting sugya (discrete section) from the Babylonian Talmud. In this shiur we will uncover the link between witnesses in capital cases and the Creation story.

10:30 Classical Shabbat Service

in the Beit Tefillah

Led by Rabbi Josh.

The Torah portion will be read by Lilah Rouso and Joseph Nissim.

The Haftarah (Isaiah 42:5-21) will be read by Jan Roseman.

The sermon will be given by Rabbi Josh.

10:30 Kollot Service

in the Leo Baeck Hall

Our informal, participatory minyan, mostly in Hebrew, chanted and sung.

The Shlichei Tzibbur will be Rabbi Mark and Francesca Weiner.

The D'var Torah will be given by Rabbi Mark.

The Torah portion will be read by Aviva Wiser.

The Haftarah is taken from Midrash Genesis Rabbah

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

Monday 12 October

20:00 – 21:30 Avodah Meeting

Avodah is our quarterly open forum in which we discuss Alyth's services. In this meeting we will focus on the High Holy Days, sharing our thoughts on what was good and what can be improved. All are welcome.

Tuesday 13 October

20:00 – 22:00 Israel Conversations: The Israeli Foreign Policy Response to the Arab Spring

Dr Amnon Aran, Senior Lecturer in International Politics at City University on "The Israeli Foreign Policy Response to the Arab Spring".

Friday 16 October

18:30 – 19:30 Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Saturday 17 October

10:30 - 12:15 Classical Service

Led by Rabbi Mark, including the B'nei Mitzvah of Rachel Herman and Misha Vides.

11:00 - 12:00 Big Bang Service

Alyth's famous musical Shabbat experience with Rabbi Josh and the Big Bang musicians.

Sunday 18 October

16:00 – 19:00 A Retirement Reception in Honour of Viv Bellos MBE

Please join us at Alyth to celebrate Viv's 35 years as Director of Music. Please RSVP and add your entry to our Memory Book to vivretirement@alyth.org.uk or call Pam Lewis on 020 8346 0403.

Reform Judaism Shabbat: 23-24 October

Bake your own Challah, Thursday 22 October, 16:30-18:15

All ingredients provided. Pre-register with bonnie@alyth.org.uk so we know how much to provide and prepare.

How to... Shabbat at Home, Friday 23 October, 17:15-18:15

Rabbi Josh and Rabbi Mark help you to build a meaningful Shabbat at home. Learn how to make Kiddush and Havdallah, and how to enhance Jewish rituals to make this time special week after week.

Kabbalat Shabbat Service and various Shabbat meals, Friday 23 October, 18:30

Our musical Friday night service is open to all. For those who would enjoy being together for Shabbat dinner, please join our Shabbat B'Yachad. Two further Shabbat dinners are being hosted for those who married through the Synagogue over the past three years, and a dinner for young adults at the Sternberg Centre.

Shiur—Shabbat Rest in Aggadah and Halachah, Saturday 24 October 09:15

Join Rabbi Mark and Rabbi Josh as they lead parallel shiurim looking at resting on Shabbat in Halachah (Jewish Law) and Aggadah (non-legal rabbinic writings).

Shabbat Services, Saturday 24 October, 10:30

Our Classical Service will be the last service with a choir led by Viv Bellos as Director of Music. We will also mark the work of John Ringer, Alyth's accompanist for the past 42 years. Our Kollot service is un-accompanied and led by members of the Synagogue.

Havdallah on the Square, Saturday 24 October, 18:30

Rabbis Josh and Mark invite you to join them on Central Square, Hampstead Garden Suburb, near the top of Northway, NW11 for Havdallah.

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.

Sunday

- Alyth Community Bike Ride (08:30)

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

- Sunday Morning Galim (10:00 – 12:30)

- Singing for Pleasure (15:00 – 17:00)

- Alyth Academy of Performing Arts (18:00 – 21:00)

Monday

- Alyth Toddler Group (09:30 – 11:30)

- Senior Club (14:00 – 16:00) Viv Creegor "Trials of a BBC and Sky news reader"

- Monday Club (19:30 – 21:30)

Tuesday

- Year 7 Provision (17:30 – 18:30)

- Alyth Choral Society (20:00 – 22:00)

Wednesday

- News, Views, Coffee & Schmooze (13:30 – 15:30)

- Kef Zone (16:00 – 17:30)

- Alyth Children's Theatre (17:00 – 18:30)

- Alyth Youth Singers (18:45 – 20:00)

- Gateway to Judaism (20:00 – 22:00)

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

Thursday

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

- Talmud (13:00 – 14:15)

- Bridge (14:00 – 16:00)

- Year 7 Provision (17:30 – 18:30)

- Year 10 Hadracha (18:30 – 19:30)

- Jewish Studies GCSE (19:45 – 20:45)

Friday

- Ruach Erev Shabbat (16:15 – 19:30)

- Alyth Kids Choir (17:30 – 18:00)

Save the date

Nostra Aetate Ceremony

Sunday 25 October, 15:00-17:00

Alyth and St Edward the Confessor Church invite you to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Nostra Aetate (the declaration on the relation of the Church with Non-Christian Religions). The ceremony is at Alyth and will include choir music and an address by Archbishop Kevin McDonald.

Alyth's Annual Supper Quiz

Sunday 15 November 2015, 19:30-22:30

Don't miss out on this enormously popular event. To purchase your ticket please email bonnie@alyth.org.uk.

If you would like to join the team who helps organise this event or if you have access to suitable auction or raffle prizes please email sarah@alyth.org.uk.

Alyth's Weekend Away

Friday 27 – Sunday 29 November

We'll pray, sing, learn and be together for two fun filled days in the Oxfordshire countryside. The weekend is for everyone in the community - young or old - and includes a full programme for children. Download the Application Form at www.alyth.org.uk/awa. Bursaries are available to help you attend.

Community News: 9-10 October 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:

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

Lilah Rousso and her family on the occasion of her becoming Bat Mitzvah and reading Torah with her community for the first time.

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

Michael Ashley, father of Sheree Charalampous and Janine Ashley

Lionel Baker, husband of Frances Baker, father of David Baker

Louis Bloch, father of Cyril Bloch

Freda Chazen, mother of Lynette Sunderland and Debbie Korel

Mary Cohen, mother of Pauline Liss

Laszlo Easton, husband of Katinka Easton

Felix Grayeff, father of Leonie Breeds

Marianne Natalie Grayeff, mother of Leonie Breeds

Wendy Greengross Kates, aunt of Susi Coben

Leonard Kay, father of Priscilla Wise

Arthur Levitt, father of Elinor Furman

Lesley Levy, wife of Anthony Levy, father of Katie Levy and sister of Michael Levene

Naomi Liss, mother of Barrie Liss

Rosa Manzur, grandmother of Aviva Wiser

Henry Mayer, husband of Eva Mayer

Gwen Peterman, mother of Neil, David and Jonathan Peterman

Abraham Silverman, father of Manny Silverman and Lillian Moss

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.

Contact Us

Please contact us if Alyth can help you in any way.

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Haftarah for Shabbat B'reishit

Isaiah 42:5-21

Thus says God, the Eternal, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it:

"I am the Eternal; I have called you in righteousness;

I will take you by the hand and keep you;

I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the Eternal; that is my name;

my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols.

Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

Sing to the Eternal a new song, his praise from the end of the earth, you who go down to the sea, and all that fills it, the coastlands and their inhabitants.

Let the desert and its cities lift up their voice, the villages that Kedar inhabits; let the habitants of Sela sing for joy, let them shout from the top of the mountains.

Let them give glory to the Eternal,

and declare his praise in the coastlands.

The Eternal goes out like a mighty man,

like a man of war he stirs up his zeal;

he cries out, he shouts aloud,

he shows himself mighty against his foes.

For a long time I have held my peace;

I have kept still and restrained myself;

now I will cry out like a woman in labor; I will gasp and pant.

I will lay waste mountains and hills,

and dry up all their vegetation;

I will turn the rivers into islands, and dry up the pools.

And I will lead the blind in a way that they do not know,

in paths that they have not known I will guide them.

I will turn the darkness before them into light,

the rough places into level ground.

These are the things I do, and I do not forsake them.

They are turned back and utterly put to shame,

who trust in carved idols, who say to metal images,

"You are our gods."

Israel's Failure to Hear and See

Hear, you deaf, and look, you blind, that you may see!

Who is blind but my servant, deaf as my messenger whom I send?

Who is blind as my dedicated one, or blind as the servant of the Eternal?

He sees many things, but does not observe them;

his ears are open, but he does not hear.

The Eternal was pleased, for his righteousness 'sake,

to magnify his law and make it glorious.

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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.