

Around Alyth

June 2016

Shavuot Community Day

Erev Shavuot *Saturday 11 June, 22:30-00:15*
Havdallah, followed by a late night service and study to take us over midnight.

Shavuot *Sunday 12 June, 08:45-15:30*
A very special day of study, services and activities for the whole family of Alyth - young, old and in-between. Starting with breakfast and ending with tea in the park!

Alyth's Kosher Iftar

*Thursday 16 June
20:00-23:00*

Kosher Iftar *Thursday 16 June, 20:00-22:45*

An Iftar is a fast breaking meal for Ramadan, the Muslim month of fasting and repentance. Join the Alyth Interfaith Group as we open our doors to our neighbours to share food, conversation and goodwill.

Please let us know that you are coming by emailing bonnie@alyth.org.uk.



Alyth Children's Theatre: Peter Pan

Saturday 18 June, 19:00

Sunday 19 June, 15:00 & 19:00

ACT's must-see performance. Adults: £10,
Concessions: £8, under 18s: £3

Book with sam@alyth.org.uk



Sing-a-long Grease

Sunday 26 June, 18:30-21:00

Alyth's summer social! A fantastic evening of Pimms, Beer and ice-cream with the classic film projected with on-screen lyrics.

Adults: £20, Under 18s and Students: £10

Book with bonnie@alyth.org.uk

Please see the flyers on pages 8-11 for more details on these events

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Please find all staff contact details on the back page



Pray with us

Erev Shabbat Services

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Fridays 03, 10, 17, 24 June, 18:30-19:30

The Shabbat Den

Friday 03 June, 16:15-16:45

Our Shabbat experience for pre-schoolers and their families with Chloe, our early-years educator and our Rabbis. Join us for song, stories and to meet new friends in Alyth's Shabbat Den.

Shabbat Morning Services

Saturday 04 June

Classical Shabbat Service, 10:30-12:15

Includes the Bat Mitzvah of **Sol Urban**.

Tefillah Lab: Shacharit for the Soul, 10:30-12:15

Led by Rabbi Mark, this morning service will use a selection from our regular prayers, poetry, and silence. Also including a contemplative reading of the Torah and the space to experience a special sense of menuchah (rest) on Shabbat.

Saturday 11 June – Volunteer Shabbat

To mark National Volunteer Week, Alyth will be honouring volunteers who work on behalf of Alyth and the wider community at a special Shabbat celebration. **Julie Siddiqi**, the founder of Sadaqa Day, the Muslim counterpart to Mitzvah Day and co-founder of Nisa-Nashim, the Jewish – Muslim women's network, will be giving the D'var Torah in Kollot and the sermon in the Classical Service.

Classical Shabbat Service, 10:30-12:15

Includes the Bat Mitzvah of **Sarah Haskel**.

Kollot, 10:30-12:00

Our informal, participatory minyan, mostly in Hebrew, chanted and sung. Includes a supervised area for children.

Saturday 18 June

Classical Shabbat Service, 10:30-12:15

Includes the Bat Mitzvah of **Ella Kleiner**.

Big Bang, 11:00-12:00

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

Saturday 25 June

Classical Shabbat Service, 10:30-12:15

Includes the Bat Mitzvah of **Isabel Benson**.

Kollot, 10:30-12:00

Our informal, participatory minyan, mostly in Hebrew, chanted and sung. Includes a supervised area for children.

Weekday Services

Sunday Shacharit

Sundays 05, 19, 26, 29 June, 09:00-10:00

Our lay-led minyan followed by a bagel breakfast.

Evening Services

Evening services take place before meetings at 19:45. Please contact bonnie@alyth.org.uk if you would like evening prayers for the purpose of saying Kaddish.

Special this month

Erev Shavuot Service

Saturday 11 June, 22:30-00:15

Join together for Havdallah and Ma'ariv before we study over midnight.

Shavuot Morning Services

Sunday 12 June, 10:30 & 11:00

After our morning Shiur, a choice of two services: The Classical Service will start at 10:30, and our new intergenerational musical service at 11:00.

Please see the flyer on page 8 for more information about our Shavuot.



Learn with us

Hebrew reading from Scratch

Wednesdays 8, 15, 22, 29 June, 19:00-20:00

Taught by Alyth member Jan Roseman, who has been one of the UK's leading Synagogue-based Jewish educators for the last few decades. Take an hour a week in term time to learn to read Hebrew from scratch.

Judaism - The Essentials

Wednesdays, 20:00-21:45

A programme of short courses for those looking to consolidate the learning of a lifetime or coming to Judaism afresh. Run on Wednesday evenings in term time, with introductory sessions on the Jewish festivals interspersed throughout the course at appropriate times. Taught by Rabbi Josh with Jon Epstein. Contact josh@alyth.org.uk to sign up.

1 June Who is obligated? The role of Women in Jewish Life

8 June Shavuot

15 June Birth and Childhood

22 June Marriage

29 June Death & Jewish views on Life after Death

Talmud Class

Thursdays 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 June, 13:00-14:15

Our stimulating and friendly class which is open to all levels of Jewish knowledge. Join Rabbi Mark to grapple with the ideas of our classical Rabbis. Contact mark@alyth.org.uk.

MMM: Monthly Midrash in the Morning

Sunday 19 June 10:15-11:30

Midrash is, technically, any act of rabbinic biblical interpretation, but it is most often used to mean the way that the rabbis created new ideas and stories around the biblical narratives. In this monthly session join Rabbi Josh over danish, fruit and tea and coffee as we look at some of the highlights of this rabbinic creativity.

Shabbat Shiur: The Sugyot Every Reform Jew Should Know

Saturday 25 June, 09:15-10:15

A sugya is a discrete section of the Babylonian Talmud. In these sessions with Rabbi Josh, we look at sugyot which are especially important, insightful or entertaining, and which every educated Jew should know about.

Mazel Tov to Mark Harris on completing his period as chairman of Alyth and good luck to Noleen Cohen who is embarking on her time as chair.

Special this month

My 100 Children: Film & Discussion with the Director

Thursday 2 June, 20:00-22:00

An award winning and moving film directed by Oshra Schwartz about psychologist Lena Kuchler and the orphaned survivor children she cared for after the Shoah. Hear in their words the challenges they faced in Poland and their rehabilitation in Israel. £5 donation.

Shiur: Volunteer Shabbat Pecha Kucha

Saturday 11 June, 09:15-10:15

We will hear from several volunteers within the Alyth community about the work that they do and what moves them to do it.

Shavuot

Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 June

Please see the flyer on page 8 for more information.

Alyth Film Club: Keeping the Faith

Tuesday 21 June, 19:30-22:00

Best friends since they were kids, Rabbi Jacob Schram (Ben Stiller) and Father Brian Finn (Edward Norton) are young men living and working in New York. When Anna Reilly (Jenna Elfman), their childhood friend and now a beautiful executive, returns to the city, she reenters their lives and hearts with a vengeance. Contact colin@alyth.org.uk.

Be with us

Weekly Activities

Senior Club

Mondays, 14:00-16:00

Weekly activity and tea for our senior members.

06 Roy Blass entertains

20 Douglas Poster "Your kind of Music"

27 Garden Suburb Police fraud & crime prevention

Alyth Choral Society

Tuesdays, 20:00-22:00

Exploring new repertoire while continuing to develop strengths in cantata and oratorio.

www.alythchoralsociety.org.

News, Views, Coffee & Schmooze

Wednesdays 08 & 22 June, 13:30-15:30

Join Lynette to discuss topical issues and stories.

Contact lynette@alyth.org.uk.

Jewish Mindfulness Meditation

Wednesdays, 20:00-21:00

Peace, quiet, contemplation and meditation in our Alyth Meditation Room.

Mellow Yoga for All Ages

Thursdays, 11:00-12:00

Contact Maxine Levy maxinelevy@mac.com.

Thursday Bridge@Alyth

Thursdays, 14:00-16:30

Please contact Sheila or Michael on 020 8455 9878 or Andrea on 020 7722 3993.

Synagogue Choir Rehearsal

Saturday 04 June, 09:00-10:00

We are always happy to welcome new members who are interested in learning about the liturgy and music of our service. Please contact katie@alyth.org.uk if you are interested in joining the choir.

Monthly Activities

Sunday Bridge@Alyth

Sunday 4 June, 19:30-22:00

For more information please contact Clive on 020 8361 5711.

Rosh Chodesh Women's Group: Red Threads and Magic Stones

Monday 06 June, 20:00-21:30

Our monthly celebration of the new moon in which women gather for sharing, learning and discussions. This month session is on the changing nature of Jewish women's Customs with renowned lecturer Lyndsey Taylor-Guthartz. Cost: £5. Book with Jackie Goymour at honeyhill@btinternet.com.

Alyth Cycling Community

Sunday 19 June, 08:30-13:00

We meet at Alyth at 08:15 and leaves at 08:30.

For registration and more information please email laurancemendoza@aol.com.

Shabbat B'Yachad (Shabbat Together)

Friday 17 June, 19:30

Share a Shabbat meal and sing songs. Food is provided. For catering purposes please register, or to arrange transport contact lynette@alyth.org.uk.

Singing for Pleasure

Sunday 26 June, 15:00-17:00

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

Chat 'n' Soup

Friday 24 June, 12:00-14:00

Come and enjoy a tasty bowl of soup, listen to music, read the papers and enjoy good company. Both our members and people from outside Alyth are welcome to join us. For more information contact lynette@alyth.org.uk.

Good luck to the Movement for Reform Judaism with Chagigah, their biennial conference. Go to www.reformjudaism.org.uk for more information.

Be with us

Special this month

Bereaved Partners Support Group

Sunday 5 June, 15:00-17:00

If you are suffering the loss of a partner or spouse, please join Lynette Sunderland and others in the same situation who can offer you support. Contact lynette@alyth.org.uk.

NEW: JOY - Joining Old and Young

Monday 6 June, 12:45-13:45

Join our Alyth Kindergarten and Jenny Kossew, who has over 20 years of experience working with and bringing joy to intergenerational groups. Contact lynette@alyth.org.uk.

Alyth's Mental Health Listening Project Results

Wednesday 22 June, 20:00-22:00

During 2015 and 2016, many Alyth members participated in a project to discuss the challenges around mental health for our community. Tonight we share what we found in this listening exercise, and will think together about how our community can build support and campaigning on this key issue. Led by the Alyth Action Group and Rabbi Mark.

Sing-a-long Grease

Sunday 26 June, 18:30-21:30

See the flyer on page 9 for more information.

Building Consultation

Tuesday 14 June, 20:00-21:00 and Sunday 3 July, 10:15-11:15

In advance of a possible planning application, we want to ensure that as many members as possible have the opportunity to see and discuss our proposed building plans which were shared at the AGM. There will be a further opportunity in late July. Please contact josh@alyth.org.uk if you are planning on attending one of the meeting.



Act with us

Monday Club

Mondays, 19:30-21:30

Our weekly club for people with learning difficulties. Contact Dennis Sher via the Synagogue Office to volunteer.

Shalom Supper

Friday 10 June, 19:30-21:30

Join members of JAMI and Jewish Care's Shalom Centre for a Shabbat evening dinner and entertainment (*with the support of the Hampstead Garden Trust*). Contact lynette@alyth.org.uk.

Monthly Drop-in for Recent Refugees

Sunday 26 June, 14:00-16:00

We welcome refugees recently arrived in the UK and offer them support and friendship in a warm and safe environment (*with the support of the Pears Foundation*). To volunteer please contact bonnie@alyth.org.uk.

Kosher Iftar

Thursday 16 June, 20:00-22:45

Please join us as we open our doors to our neighbours to share food, conversation and goodwill. Please let us know that you are coming by emailing bonnie@alyth.org.uk. See the flyer on page 11 for more information.



Youth & Education Hub

Learn with us and Be with us

Please contact Sam Brunner for information about the provision for our younger members.

Youth & Education

Alyth Toddler Group

Mondays, 09:30-11:30

Toys, singing and refreshments for the children; coffee and chat for carers! £3 per child, £1 for a sibling.

Year 7 Ulpan

Tuesdays, 17:30-18:30

Our Year 7 provision to teach Hebrew and develop Jewish knowledge.

Kef Zone

Wednesdays 15, 22, 29 June, 16:00-17:00

Our weekly club for all children in Primary School.

Jewish Studies GCSE (Year 10)

Thursdays 02, 09, 16 June 18:30-20:00

Expand your Jewish knowledge and understanding.

Advanced Hadracha

Thursday 02 & 16 June 18:30-20:00

(School Years 10-13). Now that you've learnt the basics of Hadracha it is time to delve deeper and tackle challenging educational topics. Contact mike@alyth.org.uk.

Ruach Erev Shabbat

Fridays 10, 17, 24 June, 16:15-19:30

Our Friday afternoon B'nei Mitzvah programme.

Sunday Morning Galim

Sundays 19 & 26 June, 10:00-12:45

Our Sunday morning learning programme is a nourishing space for young people to build, develop and explore their Jewish identity.

Ruach Parents Sessions: Judaism's Big Issues

Fridays 10, 17, 24 June, 17:15-18:15

Taught by our rabbis, these sessions are specifically for parents whose children attend the Ruach programme.

10 All about God in Judaism. With Rabbi Mark

17 How do Reform Jews make decisions about what to do? With Rabbi Josh

24 Is there a Reform Jewish view about Israel? With Rabbi Colin

Choirs & Drama

Primary Alyth Children's Theatre

Wednesdays, 17:00-17:30

(ages 4-7) If you like to sing, dance and act, then this musical theatre group is for you! PACT is led by Jane Gordon from Upbeat Drama.

Alyth Children's Theatre

Wednesdays, 17:00-18:30

ACT is our children's theatre group for those in Years 3-7.

Alyth Youth Singers

Wednesdays 22 & 29 June, 18:45-20:00

AYS, our youth choir for all post B'nei Mitzvah. Contact katie@alyth.org.uk.

Kids Choir

Fridays 17 & 24 June, 17:30-18:00

For anyone aged 4-12 years old. Join us and sing regularly at the Erev Shabbat Service. Contact katie@alyth.org.uk.



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Youth & Education Hub

Please contact Sam Brunner for information about the provision for our younger members.

Special this month

School Year 8: What's Next?

Tuesday 7 June, 19:00-20:00

Ruach is over! What now? This is an informal event for anyone in Year 8 to learn about and discuss all the exciting opportunities there are Post Bar or Bat Mitzvah here at Alyth. Contact sam@alyth.org.uk.

Shavuot Zones

Wednesday 8 June, 16:00-17:00

*For Pre-School - School Year 2
and School Years 3-6*

Join the Youth and Education Hub for a special Shavuot themed Zones.

ACT Show: Peter Pan

*Saturday 18 June, 19:00 and Sunday 19 June,
15:00 & 19:00*

Alyth Children's Theatre are performing Peter Pan: The Musical. To buy your tickets (£10 adults, £8 concessions & £3 under 18s) email sam@alyth.org.uk.

Do you have a child entering Reception next academic year?

If you do then please email sam@alyth.org.uk to make sure that we have your correct details. On Sunday 26 June at 11:00 those entering reception and their parents are invited to join Sunday Morning Galim for a special morning.

SAVE THE DATE

Tefillah Lab: Early Start Musical Service

Saturday 2 July, 09:15-12:15

Join Rabbi Josh and the Alyth Choir for a special Shabbat service starting at 09:15 in which we will take extra time over the early part of the morning service. At 10.15 we will pause for some silence (or a cup of coffee) as we welcome the rest of the community, and prepare for the Bar'chu which will be sung at 10.30

Summer Send-off Service

Friday 8 July, 18:30-19:30

We are hugely excited that so many of our young members are going on youth movement Summer Camps or Israel Tours this summer. To mark their journey, we are pleased to hold our annual, special service with music, percussion and melodies. There will be a more restful parallel service, with the two coming together for the Aleinu.

Community News

We regret to announce the deaths of:

Thea Baum, mother of Jeremy Baum and Serena Baum.

Adrian Dell, husband of Judith Dell, father of Tracy, Stephen and Harriet and brother of David.

Edward Gore, brother of Sarah Ledermann, son of Mark Gore.

Ernest Joseph, father of Peter Joseph and Lorna Burns

Deborah Kopelman, mother of Ruth Wiseman and Michael Kopelman.

Irene Peck, mother of Mark Peck and Lucy Wiseman, sister of Harold and Anita.

Cecily Solomons

Gershon Tamir (Zentner), father of Noam Tamir



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Shavuot Community Day

As Shavuot is a Sunday in summer this year, it gives us the special opportunity to spend the day together as the full family of Alyth...

Erev Shavuot (*Saturday 11 June*)

Join Rabbis Josh and Mark for havdallah, followed by a late night service and study to take us over midnight.

22:30 Havdallah and Ma'ariv

23:00 Study over midnight: No other Gods but Me, Part One

Avodah Zarah Today: how does Judaism deal with iconography and idol worship in other religions. With Rabbi Mark

Shavuot Day (*Sunday 12 June*)

Breakfast and Study

08:45 Espresso and Breakfast

09:00 Start the day with study: No other Gods but Me, Part Two

Visiting the sins of the fathers on the children: A textual journey grappling with the thorny problem of transgenerational punishment in the second commandment. With Rabbi Josh

Services

10:30 Classical Service with Rabbi Mark and the Alyth choir

11:00 Our new Intergenerational musical service with Rabbi Josh and the Festival Five

Lunch

12:15 Chavurah Picnic Kiddush and Lunch

Joining together for lunch, hopefully in the sunshine. Please bring a vegetarian dish to share.

12:30 Lunch and Learn: No other Gods but Me, Part Three

"Jews don't do art"... or do they? A look at historical and contemporary art with Rabbi Colin.

Alyth in the Park (*or inside if it's raining...*)

13:30 After lunch, at approximately 13:30, we will go together to the Heath Extension for a community afternoon together, including rounders, games with the Youth and Education Hub, study and conversation with the rabbis, or just the chance to hang out together. Please contact lynette@alyth.org.uk if you would like assistance getting to the Heath Extension.

Finishing with:

Tea in the Park

15:00 We will end the day together with cake, chocolate, ice cream and singing, ending at 15:30.

Alyth

GREASE

SING-A-LONG

POPCORN



Adults £20
Under 18s and Students £10

Alyth presents a 'summer fundraising' screening of GREASE.
The classic film projected with on-screen lyrics so everyone can join in.
Dress the part!

Sunday 26 June 2016

🍷 Refreshments: 18:30 🎬 Film: 19:00

Please purchase tickets in advance from: Bonnie Lerner 📞 Phone: 020 8457 8784 ✉ Email: bonnie@alyth.org.uk

Alyth Children's Theatre

Alyth

Disney
**Peter
Pan JR**

Starring

Eddie Baum, Joe Coury-Reid, Dora Fiddler, Jack Fiddler, Shmu Glantz, Danny Gordon-Boyd, Abi Hass, Jonah Levy, Miri Newman-Kemp, Celine Obadiah, Reuben Obadiah, Scarlett Scannell, Maya Solomons-Wise, Zalie Wise

Saturday 18 June: 19:00

Sunday 19 June: 15:00 & 19:00

Ticket Prices

Adults: £10
Concessions: £8
Under 18s: £3

To Book—Contact

Sam Brunner
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Venue

Alyth Synagogue
Alyth Gardens
NW11 7EN

Music and Lyrics by

**Sammy Cahn, Sammy Fain, Michelle Tumes, Xavier Atencio, George Bruns,
Jack Lawrence, Frank Churchill, Winston Hibler, Ted Sears, Oliver Wallace and Ray Kelley**

Music Adapted & Arranged and Additional Lyrics by **Eric Svejcar**

Book and Additional Lyrics by **David Zellnik**

Based on the play by J.M. Barrie and the 1953 Disney film

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Alyth's Kosher Iftar

Thursday 16 June, 20:00-22:45

For the third year Alyth extends a warm welcome to the Muslim community to come to our Synagogue for an Iftar. An Iftar is the fast breaking meal at the end of each day of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan. Each year we learn together, talk together and share food and hospitality.

This year's programme focusses on understanding prayer in Muslim and Jewish tradition:

- 20:00 Welcome from the Alyth Rabbis and Julie Siddiqi, National Coordinator of the Big Iftar
- 20:15 Learning together about how Muslim prayer works with teachers from the Sunni and Shia traditions of Islam and learning how Jewish prayer works with Alyth's Rabbis including a Maariv (Jewish evening) prayer
- 21:25 Maghrib (Muslim evening) prayer and Iftar meal with the chance to talk and share

Please note the following:

- Parking is available in the surrounding streets
- Male & female attendees will be sitting in the same hall
- All food provided will be vegetarian

For catering purposes, please let us know that you are coming by contacting bonnie@alyth.org.uk or 020 8457 8784

Location: Alyth Synagogue, Alyth Gdns, NW11 7EN

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THE BIG IFTAR

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