

This Shabbat – 20 Tishri 5777

Celebrating 25 years of the Sukkot Sleepout

Erev Shabbat

18:30 Kabbalat Shabbat Service

in the Beit Tefillah

Led by Rabbi Josh and Katie Hainbach. Includes a D'var Torah by Stuart Slater from Homeless Action in Barnet.

Good luck to everyone on the Sukkot Sleepout. We hope that you have a warm and dry night.

Shabbat Morning

Torah Reading: Shabbat Chol HaMoed Sukkot

	Deuteronomy 8:7-18	Deuteronomy 16:13-15
Soncino	p782	p817
Plaut (old)	p1387	p1450
Plaut (new)	p1230	p1274

09:15 Shabbat Shiur: Housing the Stranger

in the Library

For 25 years the Sukkot Sleepout has increased our awareness of homelessness, and raised thousands of pounds for Homeless Action in Barnet. Join Rabbi Mark to study Jewish texts on responding to the needs of the homeless.

10:30 Special Musical Shabbat Morning Service: with the Sukkot Sleepout

in the Beit Tefillah

Led by Rabbis Josh and Mark with the Simcha Seven, this service will include new melodies, a selection from hallel, and the opportunity to shake the lulav.

Rabbis Josh and Mark will read Torah.

The Haftarah (Ecclesiastes 1:1-11) will be read by Joe Brown.

10:30 Explanatory Service: How to make a Jewish Festival Service

in the Library

Led by Rabbi Colin, this explanatory service will show how and why our prayers vary on the festivals throughout the year. Including a full hallel and the opportunity to shake the lulav.

Together in Barnet Winter Shelter

Tuesday nights, October - December

The Winter Shelter is a project run across Barnet during the cold winter months in support of the local homeless. Many synagogues and churches are involved in this incredible project. Alyth partners with the Golders Green Methodist church in providing a warm meal, good company and somewhere to sleep during this period.

We are always in need of volunteers. If you are able to cook a meal, help move bedding, or particularly, to sleep overnight, please contact our co-ordinator Ruth Smilg at nightshelter@alyth.org.uk.

This Week

Sunday 23 October

18:30 Erev Simchat Torah Service

Our service begins at 18:30 with separate activities for young people led by the Youth and Education Hub before they come down to join us for the hakkafof (processions) in the Beit Tefillah.

Monday 24 October

09:15 - 10:00 Simchat Torah Breakfast Shiur

Alyth's Kallat Torah and Chatan Bereshit, Ruth Weiner and Robbie Jackman, invite you to join them and Alyth's Rabbis to study the last and first words of the Torah over a light breakfast.

10:15 - 12:30 Simchat Torah Morning Service

Including the hakkafof and dancing with the Torah scrolls. Led by Rabbi Josh, who will be joined by Rabbi Mark as we celebrate finishing and restarting the cycle of Torah reading with our kallah and chatan. *Please note the early start time.*

10:30 Simchat Torah Morning Atideinu Experience

Led by Rabbi Mark and Yael Roberts, a great way for all ages to get into the spirit of Simchat Torah before we join the rest of the community for the hakkafof. Followed by a special kiddush and our own version of the Torah portions for the day.

Friday 28 October

18:30 - 19:30 Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Led by Rabbi Josh.

Saturday 29 October

10:30 - 12:00 Classical Shabbat Morning Service

Led by Rabbi Josh. Includes the Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Kessel. The sermon will be given by Rabbi Dr Michael Marmur.

Sunday 30 October

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 (with the support of the Pears Foundation). To volunteer please contact bonnie@alyth.org.uk

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.

When we want to show appreciation during a service, it is traditional not to applaud but to shout '*yasher koach*' or '*sh'koach*', which means 'strength to you.' We ask that you please refrain from applauding, but join in this greeting.

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.

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.

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

Regular Activities This Week

The following activities are still taking place throughout half term. For more information about any of our activities please go to www.alyth.org.uk.

Friday

- Ruach Erev Shabbat (16:15 – 19:30)

Sunday

- Sunday Shacharit (09:00 – 10:00)

- Sunday Morning Galim (10:00 – 12:45)

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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

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

Thursday

- Mellow Yoga (11:00 – 12:00)

- Talmud Class (13:00 – 14:15)

- Bridge (14:00 – 16:30)

Saturday

- Synagogue Choir Rehearsal (09:00 – 10:15)

Sunday

- Sunday Shacharit (09:00 – 10:00)

Save the date

Alyth's Annual Supper Quiz

Sunday 13 November, 19:30-22:30

Don't miss out on this enormously popular event. To purchase your ticket please contact bonnie@alyth.org.uk or 020 8457 8784. 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 contact sarah@alyth.org.uk.

Mitzvah Day

Sunday 27 November

Come and support Alyth by participating in this global day of Jewish-led Social Action. As well as a range of children's activities, we have adult activities linked to Alyth's Social Action projects that run throughout the year.

Alyth Choral Society Concert - Handel's Samson

Sunday 11 December, 19:00

Alyth Choral Society presents this wonderful concert. Tickets cost £18 (under 16s free). Go to www.alythchoralsociety.org for more information and tickets.

Curious Connections - Jewish History of the Tower of London

Tuesday 24 January, 19:00-20:30

Join an Alyth group led by one of our Rabbis and Viv Bellos as we explore the part the Tower played in Jewish history and the important role the Jewish community continues to play in London today. There will be a light supper after the tour where the discussion will continue. Email viv@alyth.org.uk to reserve your ticket (£10 or £9 concessions) and also indicate if you wish to join us for the meal.

Community Trip to Israel: 'Politics, Creativity and World Reform Judaism'

Wednesday 10 – Sunday 21 May 2017

Rabbis Josh and Mark invite you to come with them to Israel for an inspiring trip of Jewish learning, friendship and seeing 'behind the curtain' into new perspectives on Israel. This is a modular trip in three parts of four days each and you can join us for any or all of them. See www.alyth.org.uk/israeltrip2017 or call Bonnie on 020 8457 8784 for details and to register your interest.

Community News: 21 - 22 October 2016

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 join our thoughts with those who are mourning the death of:

Peter Shore, father of Howard and Graham Shore.

Sir Sigmund Sternberg, father of Michael Sternberg, Frances Blaine, Ruth Tamir and David Sternberg.

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

Gerda Adler, mother of Renate Selo

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

Louis Curtis, brother of Frank Curtis

John Dudley, husband of Jill Dudley, father of Annabelle Daiches

Laszlo Easton, husband of Katinka Easton

Lotka Ferster, mother of Alexi Marmot

Felix Grayeff, father of Leonie Breeds

Marianne Natalie Grayeff, mother of Leonie Breeds

Wendy Greengross Kates, aunt of Susi Coben

Gloria Guiloff, sister of Roberto Guiloff

Susi Horwitz, mother of Cheryl Brodie

Leonard Kay, father of Priscilla Wise

Lesley Levy, wife of Anthony Levy, mother of Nicholas Levy and Katie Levy, sister of Michael Levene

Naomi Liss, mother of Barrie Liss

Rosa Manzur, grandmother of Aviva Wiser

Henry Mayer, husband of Eva Mayer

Gwendoline Peterman, mother of Jonathan Peterman, Neil Peterman and David Peterman

David Rubin, husband of Naomi Rubin, father of Amanda Lewis, Jacqui Mayes and Hugh Rubin

Raymond Rudaizky, husband of Shirley Rudaizky, father of Kathryn Tansey and John Rudaizky

Marcus Sefton-Green, husband of Dorothy Sefton-Green, father of Julian, Ruth and Tertia

Abraham Silverman, father of Manny Silverman

Joseph Wise, father of Michael Wise

Contact Us

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

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Rabbi Mark Goldsmith (Rabbinic Partner)
Rabbi Josh Levy (Rabbinic Partner)
Rabbi Colin Eimer
Rabbi Maurice Michaels

Songs for Erev Shabbat

Roll into Dark

Music: Noam Katz

בּוֹרָא יוֹם וְלַיְלָהּ. גּוֹלֵל אוֹר מִפְּנֵי חֹשֶׁךְ וְחֹשֶׁךְ מִפְּנֵי אוֹר

Creator of day and night, rolling light into darkness, and darkness into light.

Roll into dark, roll into light.

Night becomes day, day turns to night.

Borei yom valailah, goleil or mip'nei choshech

goleil or mip'nei choshech v'choshech mip'nei or.

Hashkiveinu

Music: Dan Nichols

הַשְׁכִּיבֵנוּ יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ לְשָׁלוֹם וְהַעֲמִידֵנוּ מִלְּפָנֶיךָ לְחַיִּים

Hashkiveinu Adonai eloheinu l'shalom, v'ha'amideinu malkeinu l'chayyim

Spread the shelter of Your peace over us

Guide us in wisdom, compassion and trust

Save us for the sake of Your name

Shield us from hatred, sorrow and pain

Study Passage for Shabbat Morning

Maimonides, Laws of Gifts to the Poor 7:12

מי שישב במדינה שלשים יום כופין אותו ליתן צדקה לקופה עם בני המדינה, ישב שם שלשה חדשים כופין אותו ליתן התמחוי, ישב שם ששה חדשים כופין אותו ליתן צדקה בכסות שמכסים בה עניי העיר, ישב שם תשעה חדשים כופין אותו ליתן צדקה לקבורה שקוברין בה את העניים ועושין להם כל צרכי קבורה.

“One who settles in a community for thirty days becomes obligated to contribute to the charity fund together with the other members of the community. One who settles there for three months becomes obligated to contribute to the soup kitchen. One who settles there for six months becomes obligated to contribute clothing with which the poor of the community can cover themselves. One who settles there for nine months becomes obligated to contribute to the burial fund for burying the community’s poor and providing for all their needs of burial.”

Haftarah for Shabbat Chol HaMoed Sukkot

Ecclesiastes 1:1-18

The words of Kohelet, son of David, king in Jerusalem.

Utter futility! - said Kohelet - Utter futility! All is futile!

What real value is there for a man in all the gains he makes beneath the sun?

One generation goes, another comes, but the earth remains the same forever.

The sun rises, and the sun sets - and glides back to where it rises.

Southward blowing, turning northward,

Ever turning blows the wind; on its rounds the wind returns.

All streams flow into the sea, yet the sea is never full;

To the place [from] which they flow the streams flow back again.

All such things are wearisome: no man can ever state them;

The eye never has enough of seeing, nor the ear enough of hearing.

Only that shall happen which has happened,

Only that occur which has occurred;

There is nothing new beneath the sun!

Sometimes there is a phenomenon of which they say, “Look, this one is new!” - it occurred long since, in ages that went by before us.

The earlier ones are not remembered; so too those that will occur later will no more be remembered than those that will occur at the very end.