



#StaySafeWithAlyth

May
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Alyth Chevruta Project: Pirkei Avot Thursdays 6 & 13 May, 19:00-20:00

After the success of the pilot programme, the Alyth Chevruta Project continues its second series during the Omer (between Pesach and Shavuot).

Every Friday, participants are sent a study pack containing texts, questions and supporting material to study in chevruta. Every following Thursday, Rabbi Josh and Rabbi Elliott host a review session from 19:00-20:00, looking at the material and answering questions coming out of the week of study. This material can also be seen here alyth.org.uk/chevruta.

Contact us via acp@alyth.org.uk for more information.

Shabbat Shiurim Saturdays 1 & 29 May, 9:15-10:15

Our fortnightly Shabbat morning shiur, currently taught online.

Saturday 1 May

The Story of Job

As our Haftarah this week looks at the first chapter of Job, join Rabbi Hannah to get to know Job through the lens of Rabbinic and Modern thought. What can his character teach us about living in our world today?

Saturday 29 May

'El na r'fa na la'

In this week's Portion we read the words that Moses originally spoke about his sister Miriam - words that we use in our services to ask for healing in our community. Join Rabbi Elliott to explore the context of Moses' prayer in the biblical narrative and how it was understood by the rabbis and commentators.

Pardes - Charity at the Door: What the Talmud has to say about how to give Thursdays 6, 13, 20, 27 May, 13:00-14:00

A series of special Pardes sessions with Rabbi Elliott.

No one wants to be in need of other people's charity. What does it mean to give Tzedakah in a way that does not embarrass those who are receiving? In this series of Pardes, we will do a deep dive into a key text from the Babylonian Talmud (Ketubot 67b-68a) that helps to understand what it means to give to charity and how the rabbis of the Talmud thought it was done best, utilising both Jewish law and legends about the rabbis themselves.

Week 1 The origin of the problem: The Mishnah (with commentaries)

Week 2 An illustration of the problem: The case of Mar Ukva in the Talmud

Week 3 A biblical diversion: The story of Tamar (with commentaries)

Week 4 'Anyone who averts their eyes from Tzedakah': A continuation of the Talmudic discussion

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E-ssentials

Tuesdays 4, 11, 25 May, 20:00-21:00

Our regular introduction to Judaism class taught by our clergy with Jon Epstein.

4 Prayer 2

In this second session on Prayer, we will study key prayers from our services.

11 Preparing for Shavuot

Preparing for the festival of Shavuot which is 16/17 May.

25 Jewish Ethics

What does our tradition have to say about how we behave and why does it have a voice?

Please contact hannah@alyth.org.uk for more information about this programme.

Adult Hebrew

Biblical Hebrew

Sundays, 11:00-12:00

A programme for those with high level hebrew reading ability. Email edwardjgold@hotmail.com if you would like to join this class so that you can be sent the link and materials in advance.

Hebrew reading from Scratch

Tuesdays 4, 11, 25 May, 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.

Board of Deputies: call for nominations to be an Alyth Deputy

The Board of Deputies is the representative body of the UK Jewish Community. Over 200 member organisations are invited by the Board to elect Deputies to represent them. 2021 is the beginning of the new triennium.

Alyth is entitled to have 5 Deputies to represent our community. We have been lucky enough to have Deputies who have been excellent representatives on the Board and who are willing to stand for re-election in this triennium but not all spaces are filled.

Please, consider putting yourself forward to be one of our Deputies. It is an opportunity to play a role in representing the priorities of our community and helping to shape the range of issues that impact on the Jewish Community today.

Elections need to take place at a General Meeting of the community. **An Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) will be held at 19:15 on Monday 24 May solely for this purpose.** Please diarise to attend and elect our deputies.

To find out more, please contact our Co-Chairs, Noeleen Cohen and Russell Baum on chair@alyth.org.uk.