

# Alyth Online and In-Person June 2021

# SPECIAL EVENTS IN JUNE

In addition to all of our regular programming, we are pleased to invite you to join us for three special events this month.

#### Volunteers' Shabbat Saturday 5 June from 09:30

To mark National Volunteers' Week (which this year runs from Tuesday 1 – Monday 7 June) we are delighted to invite all those who have volunteered for Alyth in the past year to join us for a special Shabbat morning. See inside for more details.

# A Conversation with Lord Mann, HM Government's Independent Adviser on Antisemitism Thursday 10 June, 19:00-20:00

With antisemitism in the UK once again on the rise, we are delighted to welcome Lord John Mann, HM Government's Independent Adviser on Antisemitism for a conversation about the challenge of antisemitism and what can be done in response. See inside for more details.

#### Midsummer Concert Monday 21 June, 18:00-19:00

A Midsummer Concert in the Alyth sukkah, spanning genres and generations. This event will be hybrid and will be available for limited in-person attendance as well as streamed on Zoom. Registration for attending in-person opens on Thursday 10 June. See inside for more details.

#### Talking about Israel: A Special Evening for Teens (14+) with Solutions not Sides Monday 28 June, 18:00-19:30

A session run by Alyth's Youth and Education team in partnership with Solutions Not Sides. We will explore the history of the conflict and have plenty of space for questions and discussion. You can join in person or online. See inside for more details.

# UPDATE ON IN-PERSON ACTIVITIES

#### Services

Government guidance remains that congregational singing can only take place outdoors. Most of our in-person services are therefore still taking place in our Sukkah area to allow us to sing together. See inside for details of these services, which can be booked from the Thursday morning of the week before. We are working on the Sukkah area to increase capacity, so hope to be able to welcome more members into these services from mid-June.

At the same time, we are also completing work to enable use of the Beit Tefillah. Our aim is to begin using that space again from early July if government regulations change to allow indoor singing.

#### Youth and Education

Our other priority area for a return to in-person provision is our Youth and Education programme. We are delighted that all Ruach groups will return to Alyth from after half term, as will hadracha and mentoring training. We are also able to run some of our SMG classes in-person, and will be running a number of special sessions, including tasters for next year's ACT and Academy. See inside for more details.



# **Pray With Us**

Please go to <u>www.alyth.org.uk/alythonline</u> for the service Zoom links The services can also be accessed by going to <u>www.youtube.com/c/AlythRS</u>

# Erev Shabbat Services - Online every Friday at 18:30

Join our clergy as they lead the Erev Shabbat service from the Beit Tefillah. This service remains online only in June. We invite you to have Shabbat candles and Kiddush ready in advance of the service so that we can join together in these moments from our homes.

## Shabbat Services - by service type

#### In-Person Bar/Bat Mitzvah Services

In-Person Bar/Bat Mitzvah services are currently taking place for a limited number of people in the Youth Hall. These services can also be joined on Zoom.

- **5** Early start service (09:00) including the B'not Mitzvah of Annabelle Joffe and Daisy Goodman.
- **12** Early start service (09:00) including the Bat Mitzvah of Zara Glazer. Afternoon service (14:00) including the Bar Mitzvah of Elijah Newman.
- 19 Early start service (09:00) including the Bar Mitzvah of Zeb Imber.
- 26 See below

#### **Dedicated Online Services**

Until we are able to open more fully, and especially to sing together inside, we will continue to provide a dedicated online service from 10:30 every Shabbat morning.

- 5 Volunteers' Shabbat, led by Rabbi Josh with Lynette Sunderland (see over) or Nusach and New Music Shacharit, led by Cantor Tamara, joining the Beit Tefillah for the Torah Service
- 12 Led by Cantor Tamara.
- **19** Led by Rabbi Josh.
- 26 Led by Rabbi Elliott, including the Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Clare.

#### In-person services

These services can accommodate limited numbers and will mostly take place outside to allow congregational singing.

Registration for these services opens on the Thursday morning of the preceding week. On most weeks, this service is also available to join on Zoom.

- **5** Sensory In-person (10:45 & 12:00). *Registration is now open*
- **12** Kollot Online and In-person (10:30). *Registration opens on Thursday 3 June.*
- **19** Big Bang Online and In-person (11:00). Registration opens on Thursday 10 June.
- 26 In-person Choral service (09:00). Registration opens on Thursday 17 June Imrei Finu Online and In-person (11:00) Registration opens on Thursday 17 June.



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# Shabbat Morning Services - by date

#### Saturday 5 June

Early Start B'not Mitzvah Service, 9:00

An in-person service including the B'not Mitzvah of Annabelle Joffe and Daisy Goodman. Led by Rabbi Hannah in the Youth Hall. This service will also be online.

#### Volunteers' Shabbat Online Service, 10:30

Led by Rabbi Josh with Lynette Sunderland from the Beit Tefillah. See over for more details.

**Nusach and New Music Shacharit**, *10:30* Join Cantor Tamara for a special Shacharit service incorporating a bit more traditional nusach and hazzanut, woven in with the Shabbat morning melodies we know and love. This service will join the Beit Tefillah service for the Torah service.

**Sensory Shabbat In-Person,** *10:45 & 12:00* See over the page for more information.

## Saturday 12 June

#### Early Start Bat Mitzvah Service, 9:00

An in-person service including the Bat Mitzvah of Zara Glazer. Led by Cantor Tamara in the Youth Hall. This service will also be online.

#### Shabbat Morning Online Service, 10:30

Led by Cantor Tamara from the Beit Tefillah.

#### Kollot In-Person and Online, 10:30

Our informal participatory minyan. This service must be pre booked.

#### Afternoon Bar Mitzvah Service, 14:00

An in-person mincha service including the Bar Mitzvah of Elijah Newman. Led by Rabbi Elliott in the Youth Hall. This service will also be online.

## Saturday 19 June

**Early Start Bar Mitzvah Service**, 9:00 An in-person service including the Bar Mitzvah of Zeb Imber. Led by Rabbi Josh in the Youth Hall. This service will also be online.

## Shabbat Morning Online Service, 10:30

Led by Rabbi Josh from the Beit Tefillah.

#### **Big Bang In-Person and Online**, *11:00* Our musical family service.

This service must be pre booked.

## Saturday 26 June

#### Early Start Choral Service, 9:00

The opportunity to sing together from Alyth's choral tradition. This service will take place outside to allow congregational singing, with piano accompaniment. This service must be pre booked.

#### Shabbat Morning Online Service, 10:30

Led by Rabbi Elliott from the Beit Tefillah, including the Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Clare from home.

#### Imrei Finu In-Person and Online, 11:00

Imrei Finu includes lots of singing to new and familiar melodies, davening and space for personal prayer, as well as an informal Torah reading. This service must be pre booked. Please note the slightly later time.

# Volunteers' Shabbat 2021: Saturday 5 June

Please go to www.alyth.org.uk/alythonline for the service Zoom links

To mark National Volunteers Week (this year, Tuesday 1 – Monday 7 June) we are delighted to invite all those who have volunteered for Alyth in the past year to join us for a special Shabbat morning. *From 09.30*, join Lynette for a morning coffee over zoom, where you can speak about the joys and challenges of volunteering in the context of pandemic.

In the Shabbat morning service, *which begins at 10:30*, we will 'call to Torah' everyone who has given of their time and energy this year: anyone who wishes will be invited to unmute and lead the Torah blessings, before a special mi sheberach (a blessing after being called to Torah) from Rabbi Josh. Lynette will give our sermon that morning on the theme of volunteering.

# Services during the week

Please go to www.alyth.org.uk/alythonline for the service Zoom links

# Monday and Thursday Online Shacharit

*Mondays 7, 14, 21, 28 June (8:30) Thursdays 3, 10, 17, 24 June (8:30)* Online Shacharit Services every Thursday with Cantor Tamara or Rabbi Elliott.

On **Thursday 10 June** there is a special service for Rosh Chodesh Tamuz including the singing of Hallel. Led by Cantor Tamara and Rabbi Elliott.

## Wednesday Ma'ariv Online

*Wednesdays 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 June (20:00)* Join us for a mid-week evening service led by Alyth members.

## **Sunday Shacharit**

Sundays 6, 13, 20, 27 June (9:00) Our lay-led minyan with bagel breakfast (please provide your own bagels...) Led by Alyth members from their homes.

# **Pray With Us for Young Families**

Please go to <u>www.alyth.org.uk/alythonline</u> for the service Zoom links

# **Baby Den In-Person**

*Fridays 4, 11, 18, 25 June (10:30)* Chug-a-lug into Shabbat with Rabbi Hannah. Sing your favourite Baby Den songs, dance to a shabbat beat and wave to some familiar faces. For families with Young Children.

There is very limited space in these services, which must be pre-booked by <u>clicking here</u>.

# Pre-Shabbat Story Time In-Person

#### Fridays 4, 11, 18, 25 June (16:30)

Those pre-school in age are invited to join us for a pre shabbat story to help bring in shabbat. There is very limited space in these services, which must be pre-booked by <u>clicking here</u>.

# Sensory Shabbat In-Person

Saturday 5 June (10:45 & 12:00) Our Shabbat experience designed to stimulate your babies' senses in the first years of their life. Join Rabbi Hannah and the dungareenees in this service where you and your baby can touch, see, smell and hear your way through the service.

10:45 a service for those toddling and older 12:00 a service for those not yet toddling There is very limited space in these services, which must be pre-booked by clicking here.



# Learn With Us

Please go to www.alyth.org.uk/alythonline for the session Zoom links where you will also find the source sheets for each session.

## Alyth Chevruta Project: Pirkei Avot Thursdays from 24 June and through July, 19:00-20:00

The Alyth Chevruta Project continues after a short break with its third series before the summer holiday, continuing our study of Pirkei Avot.

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 <u>acp@alyth.org.uk</u> for more information.

New members of the Project are especially welcome. Come with a pair, or we will be delighted to help you to find a study partner. No previous study experience is required and all texts are provided in Hebrew and in English.

# Shabbat Shiur Saturday 12 June, 9:15-10:15

Our regular Shabbat morning shiur, currently taught online. On Shabbat 12 June the shiur will be taught by Rabbi Hannah. Please note that there will not be a shiur on 26 June, to enable us to run two in-person services that morning.

## Pardes - The Power Of A Name A series of special Pardes sessions with Rabbi Laura Janner-Klausner Thursdays 3, 10, 17, 24 June, 13:00-14:00

What's in a name? What can we learn about Jewish history, about our families and our destinies from Jewish names?

A four week romp through the transformation of Jewish names, exploring Torah, Jewish history, Talmud and Jewish law with Rabbi Laura Janner-Klausner.

- Week 1 Torah teaching us our destinies through our names
- Week 2 Tricky Talmudic tales of naming and shaming
- How recent Jewish history is revealed through our names Week 3
- Fascinating rabbinic responses to ethical issues surrounding naming Week 4

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# **E-ssentials** Tuesdays 8, 15, 22, 29 June, 20:00-21:00

Our regular introduction to Judaism class taught by our clergy with Jon Epstein. E-ssentials is the perfect class for those coming to Judaism for the first time, or looking to consolidate the learning of a lifetime - or anywhere in between. Currently taught online.

New students are always welcome. Please let us know you are coming by email to Rabbi Hannah.

#### **Conversion and Status** 8

What do we mean by Jewish status? How is it passed down and how can someone come to get it?

#### Short Course on the Jewish Life Cycle

- Birth and Childhood 15
- 22 Marriage
- 29 Death and the World to Come

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 Jewish educators for the last few decades. Take sent the link and materials in advance.

#### Hebrew reading from Scratch

Tuesdays 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 an hour a week in term time to learn to read Hebrew from scratch.

# Learn with Us Special: A Conversation with Lord John Mann (Online) Thursday 10 June, 19:00-20:00

Anti-Semitism is once again on the rise in the UK.

As well as the now almost normalised anti-Semitic vitriol on social media, in the past two weeks we have also seen public expression of violent anti-Semitic sentiments in North London, and the attack of a rabbi in Chiqwell. Tropes that were once considered unacceptable are now carried proudly on the streets of London.

There is therefore no better time to welcome Lord John Mann to Alyth. In 2019, Lord Mann was appointed HM Government's Independent Adviser on Antisemitism. We are delighted to welcome him for a conversation about the challenge of antisemitism and what can be done in response. Hosted by Rabbi Josh. See the weekly email for the Zoom link.



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#### Regular Activities Craft, Chat and Cuppa!

Mondays 7, 14, 21, 28, 15:00-16:00

Creating gifts for Homeless Action in Barnet and small cuddly toys for children to be distributed via food banks. If you have any unused wool or fabric please consider helping by donating it to the project. Join Brenda and the Craft, Chat and Cuppa group for a good chat!

#### Alyth Choral Society

*Tuesdays 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 June, 20:00-22:00* For Choral Society Members only. Go to www.alythchoralsociety.org for more information

#### News, Views & Schmooze

Wednesdays 2, 16, 30 June, 11:00-12:00 Join us for an hour of schmooze to discuss what is going on in the world around us. Led by volunteers from the Soup and Schmooze group.

#### Mellow Chair Yoga for All Ages

*Thursdays, 11:00-12:00* Our special Chair Yoga and Meditation with Maxine, open to all ages wishing to enhance overall mental and physical wellbeing.

# Midsummer Concert with Cantor Tamara and Katie Hainbach

Monday 21 June, 18:00-19:00 Join Katie Hainbach, Cantor Tamara, and Jordan Clarke for a Midsummer Concert in the Alyth sukkah, spanning genres and generations. This event will be hybrid and will be available for limited in-person attendance as well as streamed on Zoom. Registration for attending in-person opens on Thursday 10 June.

#### Monthly Activities Alyth Book Club:

**'The Magician of Lublin'** *Monday 7 June, 18:30-19:30* This month's book is 'The Magician of Lublin' by Isaac Bashevis Singer. <u>Click here</u> for more information about the book. June's session is on Monday 5 July. The book will be "The Baroness: The Search for Nica, the rebellious Rothschild" by Hannah Rothschild, <u>click</u> here for more information about the book.

#### Singing for Pleasure

Sundays 6 & 20 June, 15:00-16:00 Join Viv and sing songs from the shows, Israeli folksongs, songs from the 60s and much, much more. No need to audition, read music or feel intimidated.

#### Synagogue Choir Rehearsal

Saturdays 5 & 19 June, 9:15-10:15 Online choir rehearsal.

#### Jewish Mindfulness Meditation

*Fridays 11 & 25 June, 17:15-18:15 Saturdays 5 & 19 June, 9:15-10:15* Jewish Mindfulness Meditation helps us to open our hearts and find peace through our spiritual heritage, as we emerge from restrictions.

# Save the date - Special Meeting of Congregants

A Special Meeting to approve the subscriptions for 2021-22 will be held on 4 July 2020 at 10:30.

# Be With Us

Please go to <u>www.alyth.org.uk/alythonline</u> for the session Zoom links.

# #StaySafeWithAlyth

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# Learn With Us - Youth and Education

Please go to www.alyth.org.uk/alythonline for the session Zoom links. Contact mike@alyth.org.uk for more information about any of these programmes.

# Weekly Learning

# **SMG - Primary Jewish Education**

Sundays 13, 20, 27 June (10:00-11:00 online, 11:30-12:30 in-person) This half term. SMG will run both online and inperson. SMG online will continue to run from 10:00-11:00 for all classes. From 11:30, we are delighted to welcome back two classes at a time for in-person learning. In-person sessions must be pre-registered.

#### In-Person SMG (11:30-12:30)

Yrs 4/5 - 13 June Yrs 2/3 - 20 June Rec /Y1 - 27 June

# Ruach 1 - 4 In-Person

Fridays 11, 18, 25 June (17:00-18:00) We are pleased to announce that in June, all of Ruach 1-4 are invited to join us in-person at Alyth for our Friday evening programme. Join Mike. Sophie, the Cleray team and our dedicated madrichim, who will share the joy of Hebrew music and games. Arrival from 16:45. This activity will take place outside. Please bring a mask and warm clothing.

# Leadership Training

# Mentor Training In-Person

#### Monday 14 June (17:30-18:45) and Tuesday 15 June (17:30-18:45)

Becoming a Ruach mentor is a great way to give back to the community now that you've become a Jewish adult in the community.

In these sessions, we will explore the role of a Ruach Mentor, adaptations to Ruach as we return to inperson programming and learnings from the past year. You will need to attend one of the two sessions to return as a mentor in September. Whether you have done some training in the past, or you've almost reached your Bar/Bat Mitzvah, we invite you to choose from one of two training dates (14/15 June), to join us in-person before the summer break. There are 20 spaces per session. Click here to register for Mentor Training.

# Hadracha Yr9

#### Tuesdav 29 June (18:00-19:00)

Another opportunity for our trainee madrichim to get together and practise their new leadership skills before we break for summer. With Summer 2SY and SWAY AWAY approaching, this is a great opportunity to connect with your peers and refine your skills before leading with the wider Alyth madrichim body this summer. Click here to register.

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# Alyth Performing Arts In-Person Open Workshops

# Alyth Children's Theatre In-Person

Thursday 17 June (17:00-18:15)

An opportunity for those whose love to sing, act, dance, put on a show, play drama games and be together! Come and learn what being in Alyth's Children's Theatre is like and be together in person again. For all those going into year 3-7 from September 2021. **Click here** to register

# Academy In-Person

Thursday 24 June (18:00-20:00)

Alyth Academy of Performing Arts has been a feature of the Alyth calendar for over 20 years and we are so excited to be back! Come and learn what being in Academy is like and be together in person again.

For all those going into year 8-13 from September 2021. **Click here** to register

# Social and Learning

## Year 11 & 12 Hang Out In-Person

*Tuesday 8 June (18:30-19:30)* This past year has been challenging for many reasons and much of our social lives has changed. We are therefore very excited to be able to come back together with our young people in our home at Alyth. Please join us at Alyth (in-person), on Tuesday 8 June (a) 6:00-7:30pm, for a chilled evening of snacks, chats, music and games.

This must be preregistered.

<u>Click here</u> to register.

# Talking about Israel: A Special Evening for Teens (14+) with Solutions not Sides

Monday 28 June (18:00-19:30)

We are committed to supporting our young members' engagement with the continuing conflict between Israelis and Palestinians. This session, run in partnership with Solutions Not Sides, will explore the history of the conflict and have plenty of space for questions and discussion. Our guest speaker Ali Amla will be joining us online. You can join us online or inperson. In-person attendance must be preregistered by <u>clicking here</u>.

# **Summer Activities**

#### 2SY 16-19 August

*Current Reception to School Year 6* This year, Alyth and FRS are joining together for a summer day scheme. <u>Click here</u> to sign up.

#### SWAY AWAY

23-27 August

School Year 3-8 Summer With Alyth Youth is an annual milestone in our young people's lives. Despite everything we have lived through over the last year, we could not bear to have another summer without SWAY AWAY. Click here to sign up.