

Alyth Online and In-Person

October 2021

OCTOBER AT ALYTH

With the Tishrei Festivals completed, October will be another significant month in the life of our community:

RETURNING TO THE ALYTH BUILDING

Over the course of the month, we will begin to return to 'normality' with more of our weekly activities restarting, and with increased use of the synagogue building. During September, our Youth and Education provision and drama programmes returned. Over the coming weeks, we will see the inperson return of many other aspects of our provision.

Many of the activities that were previously held outside are coming back into the building. Friday night services will return to the Beit Tefillah from 1 October, as will some Shabbat morning services. Please note that some of the programme will remain online, including most of our adult education sessions. For in-person activities, Covid protocols will remain in place and some areas of the synagogue building will remain out of use.

We ask that as you return to the building, you are respectful of the needs of our neighbours. In particular, please try to avoid driving down Alyth Gardens, and do not park or wait on the double yellow lines in front of the synagogue.

ALYTH PROGRAMME 'DOWN TIME' - W/C 25 OCTOBER AND 1 NOVEMBER

To recognise the efforts of the professional team over the last eighteen months, and the impact on them of the pandemic, the Trustee Board has decided that they, and the community, will benefit from two 'down' weeks in the synagogue programme. This will allow the staff team to breathe and be replenished before the challenges of the winter. Shabbat Services and activities run by members will continue through this fortnight. The office will remain open with reduced staffing.

As you are aware, the synagogue has recently changed the timing of its financial year. Last January, members were asked for contributions for the period to August. Subscriptions for September 2021 to August 2022 will be sent next week.

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BUILD THE FUTURE

And perhaps the most significant event of all...

During the first week of October, builders will come into Alyth to begin the enabling work that will allow us to stay in the synagogue over the next 18 months.

A Project Management Group made up of members has been tasked with overseeing the process and preparations for the main build, that will start near the beginning of 2022.



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Please go to www.alyth.org.uk/alythonline for the in-person registration and online Zoom links.

The services can also be accessed by going to www.youtube.com/c/AlythRS

EREV SHABBAT SERVICES

Online and In-Person every Friday at 18:30

Hybrid Services from our Beit Tefillah (Friday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 October)

Our Erev Shabbat services, taking place in the synagogue Beit Tefillah, with extra ventilation, reduced capacity and Covid protocols in place. In-person attendance at these services must be pre-registered. These services will be fully hybrid, and are also available through Zoom or YouTube.

Shabbat Morning In Person Services in October

The following in-person services can accommodate limited numbers and must be pre-booked.. Registration for these services opens on the Thursday morning of the preceding week. These services are also available to join on Zoom or YouTube.

See over for the full list of online and in-person services arranged by date.

Saturday 2 October

Early Start Service (09:00) including the Bar Mitzvah of Noah Nowitz In the outdoor prayer area Registration is now open

Saturday 9 October

Shabbat Morning Service (10:30) including the Bat Mitzvah of Imogen Heller.

In the Beit Tefillah

Registration opens on Thursday 30 September.

Kollot Online and In-person (11:00).

In the outdoor prayer area Registration opens on Thursday 30 September.

Saturday 16 October

Big Bang (10:30)

In the Beit Tefillah Registration opens on Thursday 7 October.

Choral Service (11:00)

In the outdoor prayer area Registration opens on Thursday 7 October.

Saturday 23 October

Shabbat Morning Service (10:30) including the Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Hodges. In the Beit Tefillah *Registration opens on Thursday 14 October.*

Saturday 30 October

Shabbat Morning Service (10:30) including the Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Gilbert. In the Beit Tefillah Registration opens on Thursday 21 October.



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SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES Online / In-Person every Saturday

Saturday 2 October Early Start Service, 9:00

An in-person service led by Rabbi Josh from our outdoor prayer area, including the Bar Mitzvah of Noah Nowitz. There are a number of spaces available for members to join this service in person. This service will also be online.

Early Start Service, 9:00

An in-person service led by Cantor Tamara from the Youth Hall, including the Bar Mitzvah of Max Agostini. This service will also be online.

Shabbat Morning Online Service, 10:30 Our dedicated online service, led by Rabbi Elliott and Cantor Tamara from the Beit Tefillah.

Life Cycle Shabbat Morning Service, 11:00 An in-person service led by Rabbi Josh from our outdoor prayer area, including the Aufruf of Jemma Woyda and Scott Benson, and the Baby Blessing of Harry Henders.

This service will also be online.

Saturday 9 October

Shabbat Morning Service, 10:30

An in-person service led by Rabbi Josh from our Beit Tefillah, including the Bat Mitzvah of Imogen Heller.

This service must be pre booked and will also be available online.

Kollot In-Person and Online, 11:00

Our informal participatory minyan led by Cantor Tamara and Justin Wise from our outdoor prayer area.

This service must be pre booked and will also be available online.

Saturday 16 October

Early Start Bat Mitzvah Service, 9:00

An in-person service led by Rabbi Elliott from our outdoor prayer area, including the Bar Mitzvah of Jake Wolman. This service will also be online.

Big Bang In-Person and Online, 10:30

Alyth's world famous participative musical tefillah experience for all the family. Led by Rabbi Hannah with the Big Bang musicians from our Beit Tefillah. This service must be pre booked and will also be available online.

Choral Service In-Person & Online, 11:00

The opportunity to sing together from Alyth's choral tradition. Led by Rabbi Josh and Cantor Tamara from our outdoor prayer area.

This service must be pre booked and will also be available online.

Saturday 23 October

Shabbat Morning Service, 10:30

An in-person service led by Rabbi Hannah from our Beit Tefillah, including the Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Hodges.

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An in-person service led by Cantor Tamara and Rabbi Elliott from our Beit Tefillah, including the Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Gilbert.

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Pray With Us for Families

Baby Den In-Person

Fridays 8, 15, 22 October (10:30)

Chug-a-lug into Shabbat with Rabbi Hannah or Cantor Tamara. 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 8, 15, 22 October (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 **clicking here**.

Big Bang In-Person and Online

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Services during the week

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Wednesday Ma'ariv Online

Wednesdays 6, 13, 20, 27 October (20:00)

Join us for a mid-week evening service led by Alyth members from their homes.

Thursday Shacharit Online

Thursdays 7, 14, 21, 28 October (08:30)

Online Shacharit Services led by either Alyth Clergy or members.

Our Thursday Shacharit for Rosh Cho<mark>desh Cheshvan on Thursday 7 Octo</mark>ber will be led by Cantor Tamara and Rabbi Elliott, including a short Torah reading and the singing of Hallel.

Sunday Shacharit Online

Sundays 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 October (09:00)

Our lay-led minyan with bagel breakfast (please provide your own bagels...) Led by Alyth members from their homes.



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

Shabbat Shiurim (online) Saturdays 9 & 23 October, 9:15-10:15

9 October Shabbat Noach Noah and Global Crisis

Join Student Rabbi Nicola Feuchtwang to explore what we can learn about living through a global crisis from the story and character of Noah.

23 October Shabbat Va-yeira

This week's portion tells the story of Abraham welcoming the guests into his home. How is this episode understood within the overall narrative of Abraham's life? With Rabbi Elliott

Pardes - a brief history of Jewish liturgical music (Online) Thursdays 7, 14, 21 October, 13:00-14:00

Join Cantor Tamara for a 3 part series on the history of Jewish liturgical music, focusing on the Ashkenazi musical traditions of Eastern Europe and its development as it spread throughout Europe and America. Sessions will include study together, and the opportunity to listen to examples of recorded Jewish music.

Week 1 Nusach, Niggunim, Cantors and Meshorerim:

Post-Biblical liturgical a capella music in synagogue life

Week 2 Late Renaissance/Early Baroque:

Organists, choirs, and Western artsong influences

Week 3 Emancipation, Innovation, Hazzanut and Hymnals (and beyond):

The development of synagogue music in modernity

E-ssentials Tuesdays 5, 12, 19 October, 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, with one hybrid (in person and online session per month). New students are always welcome. Please contact Rabbi Hannah.

5 October How the Jewish Calendar works (online)

Reviewing the experience of the Tishrei festivals and looking more broadly at the calendar cycle.

12 October

Jewish Texts 1: Foundations - What is in the Bible (hybrid)

Jewish Texts 2: Foundations - Authorship and Authority

The first two sessions in a series of classes looking at the content, origins and use of Jewish texts. The first session of the series on 12 October will be a hybrid session (in person or online). This session must be pre-booked. Future class dates are **9, 16, 23, 30 November; 7, 14 December** The session on 30 November will be a hybrid session.

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



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Adult Hebrew

Biblical Hebrew

Sundays, 11:00-12:00

A programme for those with high level Hebrew reading ability.

to join this class so that you can be sent the link and materials in advance.

Hebrew reading from Scratch

Tuesdays 5, 12, 19, 11:00-12:00

Taught by Alyth member Jan Roseman, who has been one of the UK's leading synagogue-based Email edwardjgold@hotmail.com if you would like Jewish educators for the last few decades. Take an hour each week in term time to learn how to read Hebrew from scratch.

Alyth Chavruta Project Returning in November

Following our break for summer and the High Holy Days, the Alyth Chavruta Project will restart in November.

Chavruta is a traditional form of Jewish practice of studying regularly with a partner. You can decide how and when to study during the week, and then we all come together as a group on Thursday eveninas.

For six weeks we will work our way through a section of Talmud that contains both legal and narrative sections, along with commentaries and supplementary texts.

No prior knowledge is required and the text is accessible for all levels. If you're new, you can either come to the Alyth Chavruta Project with a partner in mind, or we can match you up with someone to study with.

If you have studied with the Chavruta Project previously, please email Rabbi Elliott to let him know you will be returning.

Click here if you are signing up for the first time, or email Rabbi Elliott at elliott@alyth.org.uk for more information.

The first text pack will be sent out on Friday 5 November, and the first Thursday evening session will be on 11 November.

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Regular Activities

Senior Club (in-person)

Mondays 11, 18, 25 October, 14:00-15:30 We are delighted to welcome back our senior members for in-person activities and tea. These sessions must be pre-booked with Lynette at lynette@alyth.org.uk or on 020 8457 8793.

Monday Club (in-person)

Mondays 25 October, 19:00-20:30 We are delighted to welcome back Monday Club, which provides a friendly meeting place for people with learning disabilities.

This session must be pre booked. For more information please contact lynette@alyth.org.uk.

Alyth Choral Society

Tuesdays, 20:00-22:00 For Choral Society Members only. Go to www.alythchoralsociety.org for more information

News, Views & Schmooze (in-person)

Wednesdays 13 & 27 October, 13:00-14:30
Join us for a couple of hours of schmooze to discuss what is going on in the world around us. Led by volunteers from the Soup and Schmooze group. All are welcome but these sessions must be pre-booked with lynette@alyth.org.uk.

Mellow Chair Yoga for All Ages (online)

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.

Click here to register and pay for the class.

Monthly Activities

Alyth Book Club (online)

Monday 4 October, 18:30-19:30

This month's book is "The Weight of Ink" by Rachel Kadish. Click here for more information about the book.

November's session is on Monday 8 November. The book will be "The Hours Count" by Jillian Cantor, <u>click here</u> for more information about the book.

Alyth Cycling Community Bike Ride

Sunday 10 October, 08:15

The Alyth Cycling Community brings riders of all abilities together to enjoy cycling and conversation. The monthly ride departs from Alyth at 08:30. For more information contact laurancemendoza@aol.com.

Singing for Pleasure (in-person)

Sunday 17 October, 15:00-17:00

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.

Monthly Drop-in for Recent Refugees (in-person)

Sunday 31 October, 13:30-15:30
We are delighted to welcome back the Refugee Drop-in for in-person sessions.

Jewish Mindfulness and Meditation

JMM Weekly Sessions

Fridays, 17:15-18:15

Jewish Mindfulness Meditation helps us to open our hearts and find peace through our spiritual heritage. Click here to make a donation towards the costs of employing the facilitators.



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 In-Person

Sundays 3, 10, 17 October, (10:00-12:00) Our experiential Jewish education programme for Ruach is our pre Bar/Bat Mitzvah programme Reception to Year 6. Click here to enrol into SMG SMG provides our youngest members the opportunity to explore their Jewish identity by exploring a curriculum of key Jewish behaviours and rituals and core Jewish texts. With our wonderful team of Educators and Madrichim (youth leaders), everyone will encounter both Jewish Studies and Hebrew, in a creative and dynamic space.

Ruach 1 - 4 In-Person

Fridays 1, 8, 15, 22 October (17:00-18:00) delivered by our wonderful team of madrichim (youth leaders). Our participants get to explore their Jewish identity through the lens of community.

Please note our new times are 17:00-18:00 Participants will be able to enter Alyth from 16:30 for Drop-In, our social hangout space after school.

Drama Activities

Alyth's Children's Theatre (ACT) Matilda

Thursdays 7, 14, 21 October (17:00-18:15)

together?

for many years and we are so excited to be back! gained skills and confidence and developed close We would like to invite you to join this year's Alyth friendships amongst the group. The end of year Children's Theatre Cast, the show weekend is in production (taking place over the early May bank June 2022.

The group rehearse all year and then we highly transform the Beit Tefillah into a theatre with showcased in such musicals as Annie, Bugsy, lights, sound, backstage wings and costumes.

Click here to enrol into ACT

Please make sure you sign in through ShulCloud Please make sure you sign in through ShulCloud - otherwise you will see the non-members fee.

Academy **Legally Blonde**

Sundays 3, 10, 17 October (18:00-20:00)

Does your child/ren love to sing, dance, act, play Academy of Performing Arts has been a feature drama games, put on a show, and enjoy being of the Alyth calendar for over 20 years and we are so excited to be back!

ACT has been a highlight of the Alyth calendar Over this time, several hundred children have holiday weekend in 2022) has featured many children talented who have been proper Little Shop of Horrors, Gentlemen Prefer Blondes, Guys and Dolls, Anything Goes and Footloose!

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Leadership

Year 10 Hadracha

Tuesdays 5, 12, 19 October (18:00-19:30)

All of Year 10, regardless of previous training or experience in Year 9, are invited to join with us for our 9-week course. As well as being a fun social for our teens, the course will provide you with the crucial leadership skills and ability to volunteer (and later work as paid staff in Yr11+) on the full breadth of Youth programming at Alyth. The course is full of life skills for your future and looks great on your CV!

<u>Click here</u> to enrol into Year 10 Hadracha (please make sure you sign in through ShulCloud – otherwise you will see the non-members fee).

