

Shabbat Update October 30, 2021

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Dear BCC Membership,

Though we may be a small community, distant from several major Jewish cultural centers, we can meet many needs crucial to Jewish life—for our residents and for visitors to the area. Two weeks ago, we saw the heartfelt support for the Sallerson family. Last Friday, visitors from distant shores were able to fulfill their desire to recite Kaddish for a loved one. We should all feel a bit of pride for the help that we are able to provide.

Kudos to last week's Friday-night "maggid" (itinerant Jewish preacher), Rachele Valladares. Her d'var was insightful and scholarly. We must have more untapped talent here in Cumberland, and I look forward to seeing it. Please let me know how you would like to participate.

Onegs are back! This week—if cake is your



October November Calendar of Events

*B'er Chayim
Temple is open for
in-person
services.
Same safeguards
will be in place.*

*ZOOM services
continue*

cup of tea—you can expect some delicious birthday cake (along with pretty good-looking cookies) thanks to Bernice Friedland et al. There should be some wine, challah, and grape juice, as well. We expect that anyone who stays after services will be vaccinated and virus-free to the best of their knowledge. That we can celebrate Shabbat in our beautiful temple space in person once again is a blessing.

November’s bulletin is soon to be published. Out of the gate, you will see two virtual events not to be missed. The first takes place on Tuesday, November 2 at 7:00 pm, sponsored by the Jewish Museum of Maryland. [Click here to join via ZOOM.](#)

The second takes place on Monday, November 8 at 7:00 pm. The Jewish Museum in New York City has a new exhibit titled, “Afterlives: Recovering the Lost Stories of Looted Art.” Please email Betsey Hurwitz-Schwab (bhs@9northcentre.com) to reserve a Zoom ticket.

Tomorrow, Adult Hebrew continues. On Friday, October 29, join us for Shabbat evening services. 7:30 pm is the time for both (Zoom or in-person).

Hope to see you at the oneg for cake and wine and good conversation.

Shabbat shalom,

Cantor Richard Bessman



Thursday
October 28
7:30 pm
Adult Hebrew
In Person &
ZOOM

Friday
October 29
7:30 pm
Erev Shabbat
Service
In person &
ZOOM

Tuesday
November 2
7:00 pm
Jewish Museum
On the Virtual
Road
ZOOM

Thursday
November 4
7:30 pm
Adult Education
In person &
ZOOM

Friday
November 5
NO Erev
Shabbat
Service

Saturday
November 6
10:00 am
Shabbat Service
In person &
ZOOM

This Week's Torah Portion

Chayei Sarah

חַיֵּי שָׂרָה

The Life of Sarah

Genesis 23:1–25:18

Summary

- Abraham purchases the cave of Machpelah in order to bury his wife Sarah. (23:1-20)
 - Abraham sends his servant to find a bride for Isaac. (24:1-9)
 - Rebekah shows her kindness by offering to draw water for the servant's camels at the well. (24:15-20)
 - The servant meets Rebekah's family and then takes Rebekah to Isaac, who marries her. (24:23-67)
 - Abraham takes another wife, named Keturah. At the age of one hundred and seventy-five years, Abraham dies, and Isaac and Ishmael bury him in the cave of Machpelah. (25:1-11)
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Onegs are Back!!

As Cantor Bessman mentioned in his column, the B'er Chayim Board is officially reinstating Onegs after our Shabbat services this week.

This first step is simple... the temple provides paper goods (of course), grape juice, and wine plus challah. Anyone attending is welcome to bring something to enjoy with that wine or juice, either just for yourself or enough to share. Just remember if you join in oneg socialization that you should be vaccinated.

Yahrzeits for week ending

October 30, 2021
24 Cheshvan
5782

Ann Spear

Rose C. Brown

Minnie Dantzig

Hortense
Bernstein

Ghita Hill
Bessman

Earl Glenn

Adolph Abrams

Jacob Gottlieb

Morton Pallik

and the recent
passing of
Maria Sallerson-
Joyner



Happy Birthday

October 5

William Hirsch
Frank Shap
Debby Schaaf
Doug Schwab

October 18

Sue Arnson
Lynne Brodell
Hansell
Margie Hartman

Afterlives: Recovering the Lost Stories of Looted Art

You are invited to join the congregation on Monday, November 8 from 7 to 8 pm for a virtual tour of "Afterlives: Recovering the Lost Stories of Looted Art" from the Jewish Museum in New York.

"During World War II, untold numbers of artworks and pieces of cultural property were stolen by Nazi forces. After the war, an estimated one million artworks and 2.5 million books were recovered. Many more were destroyed. This exhibition chronicles the layered stories of the objects that survived, exploring the circumstances of their theft, their post-war rescue, and their afterlives in museums and private collections."

More about the exhibit can be found here:

[Afterlives: Recovering the lost stories of looted art](#)

This is sure to be a very interesting tour. To sign up for the tour and receive the Zoom link, please RSVP to Betsey Hurwitz-Schwab at bhs@9northcentre.com. We are able to host 50 people for the tour.

October 20

Fred Klein

October 23

Bernice Friedland

October 25

Michael Sinclair

October 27

Louise Hall

**Happy
Anniversary**

October 11

Betsey Hurwitz-
Schwab &
Doug Schwab

Katy & Howard
Pallik

October 13

Amy & Steve
Owens

October 19

Betsy Weisman &
Bill Hirsch

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and anniversaries
dates with our friends
and families...contact
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**"Virtual"
instructions -**

*To watch on **Zoom** -
send an email to
admin@berchayim.org
and the ID and
Password will be
emailed back to you.
The ZOOM Id and
Password will be the
same each Friday
evening. Please
remember that Rebecca
is part time, and leave
yourself enough time.*

*Following along in
prayerbooks for ZOOM
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