SPIRITUALLY TOGETHER
COMMUNITY CONTINUES IN A NEW VIRTUAL WAY.

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ALL DAYS ARE NOT EQUAL

This spring has been an odd one. Some have been constantly counting time, and others have lost track of day and time. And some have vacillated back and forth between those two perspectives. Any of these attitudes is thoroughly understandable. During this health emergency, Baltimore Hebrew Congregation has tried to provide a sense of the meaningful flow of time for our congregants. We have been offering classes for all ages, weekly services, and the celebration of holidays. While each day may count out at 24 hours, we know that each day is not equal in its balance of daylight and nighttime. All days are not equal.

Those feelings dealing with life-cycle moments have felt the weight of time on their shoulders, in different ways:

1.) B’nai Mitzvah and wedding preparations have been complicated. BHC clergy and staff have worked with those impacted to clarify what would be possible and often to arrange back-up dates. For any who have prepared for such simchas, you understand the complications.

2.) Illness, funerals and mourning have had to deal with distance, created by reality and safety. As families have dealt with these situations, BHC’s clergy, staff and volunteers have done our best to support families. We are blessed to have Levinson’s as our local funeral home, helping us navigate these challenges.

3.) Newborns entering our families and community will thankfully never remember the complications related to a bris or a baby naming.

4.) Confirmation has continued online as part of our NextGen: The Millie and Alvin Blum 8th-12th Grade Program at BHC, as have our other Youth Education and even E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood programs. However, we have had to creatively navigate what the actual celebration of Confirmation will look like for these 10th grade students. Similarly, we have been there to support our other students through their transitions.

Judaism wisely teaches us that each day is equally filled with opportunities to create and think, to connect, and develop. However, Judaism also reminds us that each day or year is not equal. There are moments that come with special celebration or specific sadness. As BHC has done its best to navigate through this historic year, please note that our focus includes working with those families experiencing one of those weightier times.

– Rabbi Busch

NEED ASSISTANCE?

BHC’s clergy, staff and volunteers want to be able to support you if you face specific challenges during this Health Emergency. If you are officially quarantined or diagnosed as infected, please notify Jo Ann Windman, jwindman@baltimorehebrew.org. Jo Ann will make sure the appropriate person responds, even as BHC will hold your information confidential.
FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is with humility and pride that I have accepted the honor of becoming the president of Baltimore Hebrew Congregation.

I am a lifelong member of BHC. I became a Bar Mitzvah here, I was confirmed here, and my wife, Linda, and I were married here. Our children, Julie and Alex, were both B’nai Mitzvah here. Our family traces our membership on my mother’s side to the 19th century, when her ancestors immigrated from Germany.

It is important that we face this new time period with an outlook to the future in the same realistic, practical, optimistic way that has sustained us through our 190 year history. Let’s look at the glass as half full, while we acknowledge the very real challenges we face.

Most of our lives have been altered in ways we could not have imagined. From day-to-day routines, to employment, to education, to exercise and to worship, changes have been made, and we cannot be certain of when or how normalization will be upon us.

I have tried to remind myself, my family, friends and colleagues that we are pretty fortunate that we have our health, a roof over our heads and food on our tables.

It is my belief that our best path through these times is to recognize that we are in this together, and that now more than ever we need to utilize our BHC community to heal and better our congregation. In order to get everyone on that page, we need a large dose of collaboration. Perhaps unlike any time in the recent past we must all be committed to the future well-being of BHC. If someone from the clergy or leadership or the staff requests your assistance on a project, please donate your time. They are making the ask because they need your help. Everyone has been affected by COVID-19 in some way, and we must remember that there are those in our congregation who are in real need of our help. Your resources will also be needed to help us sustain the temple we love.

Something that is of great importance to us all is how we are able to survive this moment and be prepared to thrive going forward. We have an historic organization with wonderful traditions, a superb group of clergy, a great new education director starting July 1, and people who care deeply about each other and this institution.

I would like to thank my wife, Linda, for her patience, caring and never-wavering love and support in assisting me in this new role. To my son, Alex, and my daughter, Julie, and her fiancé, August, for being great cheerleaders and encouraging me to do this.

Finally, to my mentor at BHC and my friend of 45 years, Richard Gross. You have been a leader and a role model to all who have served with you, and I thank you for asking me to be a part of your team.

I want to close with what I believe to be of paramount importance. If we unite our community, if we collaborate with one another and if we demonstrate our commitment to this institution, we will emerge stronger than before.

Stay Healthy!

John Elias
BHC President

BULLETIN UPDATE

Until the health restrictions are lifted, future issues of the Temple Bulletin will be shared via our website.


BHC’S VIRTUAL COMMUNITY

Our congregation has mobilized itself to continue to connect us virtually, as a community and to our Judaism.

Please see the regular emails and baltimorehebrew.org for information, updates and creative offerings.

Our education programs are being carried out via Zoom, which is an app worth downloading and works beautifully on your computer. It works best with a camera and a microphone, but can be utilized without them.

Our services are being offered via online streaming, and are also archived for later viewing. Visit https://venue.streamspot.com/de50dfb8 to follow along.

We encourage you also to follow the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation page on Facebook, where we communicate ideas and resources for the congregation.

ADULT EDUCATION

Spending this extra time at home may just open up your desire to dive into Jewish learning. During this Health Emergency, BHC is offering a range of Adult Education online, via Zoom. Specifically, we are offering: Fill Your Cup with BHC Adult Education at 1:30 PM daily. Look online and in your email for the weekly schedule and daily links. Rabbi Busch, Rabbi Sachs-Kohen, Cantor Ellerin and Brad Cohen, Director of Education are enjoying teaching online, with lots of interaction.

BHC Rabbis Talk With...

Look for a weekly offering of a discussion between one of our rabbis and a BHC member or professional regarding mental health, family, community and healthcare issues, together with Jewish perspectives.
KOL ECHAD VIRTUAL SHABBAT FROM BETH EL
Friday, May 1, 4:30 PM - 5:15 PM
CJE and Kol Echad invite you to Virtual Kabbalat Shabbat! Cantor Melanie Blatt from Beth El will lead a Kabbalat Service, Kol Echad style. Stick around after the service to connect with other families during this time when we all need connection. Register to receive Zoom link. (https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/Vqzl5KuC93sk2xqJUB6KQ?t=1588096606) For more information, contact kolechadbaltimore@gmail.com.

SHABBAT SERVICE: via StreamSpot
Fridays, May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 6:15 PM
Our Shabbat Service on Friday evening is a wonderful way to end the week and welcome Shabbat. All are welcome as we connect with our prayers and ponder a topical or spiritual sermon. Melodies are drawn from tradition, from our Reform Jewish heritage and from contemporary composers. StreamSpot Link: https://venue.streamspot.com/de50dfb8

TORAH TALK: via Zoom
Saturdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 9 AM
Lively discussion occurs via Zoom every Saturday morning, 9-10 AM, as clergy and others lead our weekly Shabbat Torah Talk. Long-time attendees and first-timers are welcome and encouraged to participate. No prior preparation or Hebrew is required. Questions: Ask our Rabbis.
Zoom Link: Provided in Briefly BHC and daily emails.

YOUTH EDUCATION: via Zoom
Sundays, May 3, 10 & 17, 9 AM
Youth Education enables students ages 3-13 to develop a foundation in Jewish life as part of an inclusive, vibrant, active community. INFO: Brad Cohen, Director of Education, 410-764-1587, ext. 290 or bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org.
-AAS-2nd Grade - 3rd-5th Grade - 6th-7th Grade
Zoom Link: Provided in Briefly BHC and daily emails.
Look for pop-up Youth Education events May 18-June 18.

TEEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE FINAL MEETING:
Sunday, May 3 12-1 PM
The Teen Advisory Committee will meet one last time to wrap-up their learning and plan for the future. For Zoom information, email Alicia Gallant, Assistant Director of Education, agallant@baltimorehebrew.org.

Rosh Hodesh/Shevet
Monday, May 11, 7-8 PM
Rosh Hodesh, led by Alicia Gallant, uses Jewish teachings to give girls a place to feel safe, articulate their deepest concerns, consider the impact of gender on their daily lives, have fun, and be ‘real’ with their peers. Shevet, led by Brad Cohen, helps teen boys explore two primary questions: "What does it mean to be a man?" and "What does it mean to be a mensch?"

Havdalah & Cantor’s Cabaret
Saturday, May 16, Time TBA
Please watch your email inbox for details about a special musical Havdalah and Cantor’s Cabaret as we say goodbye to Shabbat. Cantor Ellerin will be joined by Cantor Rebecca Garfein of Congregation Rodeph Sholom in New York City and Cantor Dan Singer of Stephen Wise Free Synagogue, also in New York City.

OUR DAILY BREAD
Monday, May 18, 2-2:30 PM
In continuing to help our community during the Health Emergency, please drop casseroles at BHC on Monday, May 18, from 2 to 2:30 PM. Our congregant Alice Dolle Trosch will be waiting in the parking lot for you to load your casserole into her van. Alice will immediately take casseroles to Our Daily Bread.
We prefer the casseroles to be frozen when you drop them off. You can buy or bake and freeze macaroni and cheese, lasagna or chicken (recipe link below). For information, email jwindman@baltimorehebrew.org. (https://www.baltimorehebrew.org/clientuploads/4_CJEBibleStudy/Casseroles_2018-19.pdf)

SHAVUOT
Thursday, May 28 and Friday, May 29, (times in follow-up emails)
Shavuot is a festival celebrating Torah and Jewish learning. This year, we will have a virtual night of learning on Thursday May 28. BHC is exploring sharing that night together with several other congregations. More information will be shared via email closer to the date.
On Shavuot morning Friday May 29, BHC will hold its own Shavuot morning service together, focusing on Psalms and Torah. More information to follow.

Although some of the links are listed here, its easier to connect over our daily email "Online Educational Opportunities."

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**WELCOMING RACHEL OPATOWSKY**

Starting July 1, Rachel Opatowsky will join Baltimore Hebrew Congregation, as Director of Education. Rachel will oversee BHC’s Youth Education program, NextGen: The Millie and Alvin Blum 8th-12th Grade Teen Program, and our Adult Education. She will also work closely with the E. B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center. We are excited that Rachel has chosen to join BHC at this historic moment in general, and know that she brings creativity and a cutting-edge approach to providing Jewish education in 2020 and beyond.

Rachel is originally from Lancaster, California, did her undergraduate work at California State University-Northridge, and earned a Masters in Jewish Education from the American Jewish University. She excelled in both congregational and Hillel work in California. For the last three years, she has served as the Temple Educator of Temple B’nai Israel in Oklahoma City.

Rachel is active in the Association of Reform Jewish Educators. She serves as the co-chair of their upcoming National Gathering in 2021.

We are thankful for Melissa Lenet, chair, and our Search Committee. They worked diligently and efficiently as BHC was blessed with close to two dozen resumes for our Director of Education position. Rachel visited BHC just before this year’s health emergency ramped up, and we were thankful for her curiosity and flexibility. We know that our congregation and especially our Youth Education students, families, and faculty will help Rachel, her husband Joshua, and their toddler son Natan settle into Baltimore and into BHC. Amy and David Levitt have been appointed as Welcoming Committee Chairs.

BHC is excited to welcome Rachel Opatowsky as our Director of Education, and, equally important, Rachel is excited to join our congregation.

**MUSIC AND MEANING**

Baltimore Hebrew Congregation will be presenting a special Livestream performance of “MUSICAL MOTHERS” on Sunday, May 10 at 3 pm (Mother’s Day) as part of the “Music and Meaning” series produced by the Baltimore-based award-winning chamber music organization, AmiciMusic. Due to the quarantine situation, this will be a “virtual” concert available online only through BHC’s website. Access the concert in the same way that you would tune into Shabbat services via StreamSpot.

This program will feature fantastic piano trios by women composers, including Clara Schumann, Louise Farrenc, Fanny Mendelssohn, and more. The siblings Emmanuel (violin) and Frances (cello) Borowsky will join pianist/Artistic Director Daniel Weiser on this wonderful journey to discover some neglected masterpieces. They will perform live from Dr. Weiser’s home with the proper social distancing and masks! Cantor Ellerin will also join in remotely with some Romantic songs by Amy Beach.

Dr. Weiser will also talk about each composer before the pieces are played to help listeners understand more about the musical context. This program is generously supported by the Peggy & Yale Gordon Trust.

**CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION ON SIMCHAT TORAH**

While not impossible, it now seems unlikely that we will be able to gather in large groups by the end of May, so we have formulated a new plan and a new moment for celebrating Confirmation. Confirmation marks a time when young adults affirm their embrace of Torah and Jewish tradition, while in no way abandoning their increasingly mature questioning and challenging. Because we can’t mark Confirmation at Shavuot, which celebrates the giving of Torah at Sinai, we will celebrate it at Simchat Torah when we conclude and begin again our yearly reading of the entire Torah.

We will celebrate Confirmation on Saturday, October 10, 2020, during our festival service at 10 am.

**CREDIT CARD USAGE**

Effective July 1, 2020, credit cards will be accepted as payment for all BHC dues and fees with the exception of tuition for the E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center. You will no longer have the option to “opt out” of paying the service fee. This fee will be applied to your credit card.

**BHC CARES**

BHC Cares works to create a warm, caring, inclusive, and accessible atmosphere.

The Union for Reform Judaism considers BHC an Exemplary Congregation — one which works toward a fully inclusive Jewish community by welcoming and including people with all disabilities in its worship, education, and activities. Even during our closing during our health emergency, we managed to deliver several Passover meals to congregants with illnesses. Thanks to Sharon Edelow for coordinating this project. We are ready and hope soon to be able to continue our many programs and services. We thank our director Rabbi Sachs-Kohen for her special input and guidance. If you would like to join BHC Cares, please contact chair Carol J. Caplan, carolcjca@comcast.net. Thanks for your support!
HAPPY MOTHERS DAY
FROM BALTIMORE HEBREW CONGREGATION

Since we can’t gather for our Annual Mothers Day Memorial Service, join us via StreamSpot for Music and Meaning on May 10 to celebrate Mothers Day. (see page 5 for details)

Simcha TREE OF LIFE

Thank You for purchasing a leaf on our Simcha Tree of Life since the publication of our March Bulletin:

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PLANNED GIVING

WHAT WILL YOUR LEGACY BE?

Now is the time to be a part of Baltimore Hebrew Congregation’s Future! It’s a wonderful time to secure your legacy and support your congregation for our children and those that will come after us. BHC has flourished and endured, in part, because individuals throughout its long history have made the commitment to us and our children through legacy gifts to the congregation. As the beneficiaries of their lasting devotion, it is now our turn to secure the future for generations to come.

Today, with over 1,200 member families, BHC is a warm, vibrant and welcoming congregational family, rich in Reform Jewish history and a tradition of innovation. With caring, dynamic clergy and educators, BHC combines the comfort of tradition with the amenities required to meet the expectations of a thriving and ever-evolving congregation in the 21st century.

It’s easy to leave a Legacy through your will or other planned gift. Here is a partial list of tax-wise ways to fund your legacy to BHC. Before you make any decisions, it is wise to consult your lawyer, accountant and/or other financial advisor about what makes the best sense for you, given your unique financial situation.

Make a Bequest in your Will designated to BHC. This is the most common way to leave a Legacy.

Make a gift of a life insurance policy. This is particularly appealing for younger individuals because of its reasonable cost and tax benefit.

Establish a Charitable Remainder Trust or Charitable Gift Annuity. This will provide you or a loved one with needed current income while providing a means to leave a legacy to BHC after your lifetime.

For information, or to let us know if BHC is mentioned in your Will, contact me, 410-764-1587, ext. 236 or email asaxon@baltimorehebrew.org.

Annette G. Saxon
Director of Development

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“As my parents planted for me before I was born, so do I plant for those who will come after me.” —Talmud Ta’anit 23a
Join fellow congregants with a Legacy gift to ensure the future of Baltimore Hebrew Congregation!

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FOUR ONLINE SESSIONS AND A CUP OF COFFEE

Our Sunday Sessions offer a small dose of Youth Education to keep us connected, growing and learning together. We have been exploring Passover, Hebrew through Movement, Shavuot and more. Our age groups have 30-minute sessions that provide enough time to do an activity and have some fun. Our sessions start at 9 AM with Morning Shema songs followed by 9:30-10 AM Aleph All-Stars-2nd grade, 10:15-10:45 3rd-5th grade, and 11:00-11:30 6th-7th grade.

ONE-ON-ONE ZOOM TUTORING

We have offered Zoom tutoring for our 5th and 6th grade students. In these one-on-one sessions students explore Hebrew prayer. The teachers have seen huge growth in our students and are excited about the progress they are making!

For more information about tutoring or to connect with BHC’s Youth Education program please email Brad Cohen, Director of Education, bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org.

INFO & RSVP:
Brad Cohen, Director of Education, 410-764-1587, ext. 290 or bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org
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NEXTGEN: THE MILLIE AND ALVIN BLUM 8TH-12TH GRADE TEEN PROGRAM

NextGen is continuing to run with some virtual adjustments. We will be having at least two sessions via Zoom every week as gatherings where the community can connect socially, get some distance from the news cycle, and learn some new skills. Past events have included an art project, a cook-off and a Netflix watch party. Immersion programs like Teen Advisory Committee and Rosh Hodesh/Shevet will also be run virtually for the remainder of the Youth Education year. Email Alicia Gallant, Assistant Director of Education, agallant@baltimorehebrew.org for the most updated schedule of educational offerings.

See online or email for links to Youth Education events.
E.B. HIRSH EARLY
CHILDHOOD CENTER

As parents and educators, we are providing our children with a sense of normalcy and routine during this period of social distancing. We have a love/hate relationship with technology; however, technology has provided us with the ability to stay in contact with our friends, family, co-workers and students. We are doing this through Zoom.

Many of us are rookie “Zoomers,” so our first On-Line Playdate and Storytime did not go exactly as expected. When you work in a preschool you always expect the unexpected, and that is what happened during our very first Zoom On-Line Playdate. In order to hear Morah Ilene’s story, everyone needed to mute their microphone except the person reading. Well, microphones remained open, and all we heard were little voices saying “hi” to their friends and giggling at one another. I can’t forget those cute faces in the camera. For me, it was refreshing hearing those familiar sounds of our students.

Everyone is having a great time participating in our On-Line Playdates; however, I know all the teachers and staff of the E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center would rather be listening to the children in their classrooms or in the hallways. When this is all over, we can’t wait to see our friends who have grown taller, started to walk and say more words, and learned to read, and those friends who are newly potty trained. In a time like this, I am thankful for my Baltimore Hebrew Congregation and E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center family and technology.

Jen Platt
Director

HOFFBERGER GALLERY

HOFFBERGER GALLERY EXHIBITS POSTPONED

Unfortunately, due to the current Health Emergency, the scheduled Gallery Exhibit for May/June: Complimentary Colors Watercolor group show, has been canceled. We hope to get this group back on the schedule in 2022.

We have already been receiving interest from our talented BHC members about participating in the BHC Members Art Show. We were optimistic that we would be able to proceed this summer, but in everyone’s best interest we have decided to postpone this event to Summer 2021. Who knows, maybe there will be a burst of creativity during this “at home” time that we can all share next year.

The members of the Hoffberger Gallery Committee hope for a safe and brighter future.
INFO: Marcia Bornfriend, 443-255-3119, marcia410@comcast.net, or Lauren Loran, 410-377-9084, laurenloran@mac.com.

E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center Zoom Schedule:

Mondays and Wednesdays:
11 AM: Sing-a-long:
Join us for an all request and interactive sing-a-long of our favorite English and Hebrew songs and rhymes with your E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center teachers.

Fridays:
9 AM: Kabbalat Shabbat:
Join us for a LIVELY virtual Kabbalat Shabbat via Zoom.

For details on these and all other E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center events, contact Jennifer Platt, jplatt@baltimorehebrew.org for details.
BROTHERHOOD NEWS

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFASTS RESCHEDULED

Our final breakfast of the season will be rescheduled on a future date due to the Health Emergency.

The speaker is Rob Boston, Senior Advisor and Editor of Church & State, the monthly membership magazine of Americans United for Separation of Church and State. He has worked at Americans United since 1987 and is the author of four books on the subject. His topic will be “Defending the Separation of Church/Synagogue and State in Challenging Times.”

FIND OUT MORE. Learn the benefits of joining Brotherhood: baltimorehebrew.org/brotherhood/about. Find Brotherhood program details as well as volunteer opportunities: baltimorehebrew.org/brotherhood/get-involved.

CLOSING DINNER

Our Closing Dinner is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, June 7, 6-9 pm. Our featured attractions are two wonderful sopranos, Sarah Baumgarten, back from last year’s highly successful dinner, and Jocelyn Taylor, who has appeared as a featured soloist in a number of regional operatic and musical venues. Stay tuned for further information as the date approaches. INFO & RSVP: Sid Bravmann, 410-952-6352.

THE WOMEN OF BHC (WBHC)

OUR JUDAICA SHOP
CLOSED DURING HEALTH EMERGENCY.
INFO: Ann Fishkin, 410-382-7140, or annfishkin5@gmail.com; or Paula Cohen, 410-292-4439, or orderlypnc@yahoo.com.

IMPORTANT NEWS

Treasurer Linda Miller is retiring. WBHC will need both a Treasurer and an Auditor starting in July. These jobs are vital to our ongoing process. If you or any member of WBHC can help with these tasks, please get in touch with Nominating Chair Debbie Shpritz, 410-925-2747, or dshpritz@gmail.com; or Linda Miller, WBHC Treasurer, 410-486-3565, or lmiller3615@verizon.net.

Make A Difference

From making casseroles to collecting school supplies, Women of BHC members are actively involved in Social Action.
INFO: baltimorehebrew.org/sisterhood/about.

FIND OUT MORE. Learn the benefits of Women of BHC, become a member and join our social action efforts: baltimorehebrew.org/sisterhood/about. Attend Women of BHC events, learning and volunteer programs: baltimorehebrew.org/sisterhood/get-involved.

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Special Birthdays

Marriage
Jessica Harris, daughter of Lisa Kovens-Harris & Bruce Harris, to Daniel Sharareh

Birth
Leo Hickman, son of Shiri & Daniel Hickman, great-grandson of Jane & David Davis

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For the speedy recovery of Susan Bass-Katz, by Sonya Dillon
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In honor of
The installation of John Elias as President of BHC, by Carol & John Hess • Peggy K. & Fred Wolf, III
Dr. & Mrs. Arnold Feldman on the birth of their great-grandson Hayden Shapiro, by Alma Bergman
Lisa Kovens-Harris & Bruce Harris on the marriage of their daughter, Jessica Harris, to Daniel Sharareh, by Benjy Dubin
The 50th wedding anniversary of Harriet & Jay Kramer, by Myra & Harvey Lubinsky
The special birthday of Jay Kramer, by Myra & Harvey Lubinsky
The 100th birthday of Butsy Mandel, by Barbara & Arnold Sindler
Rachel Opatowsky on becoming BHC’s next Director of Education, by Joy, Bruce, Adam & Rachel Katzenberg
Matthew Preti becoming a Bar Mitzvah, by his grandparents, Peggy K. & Fred Wolf, III
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Peggy K. & Fred Wolf, III on their grandson, Matthew Preti, becoming a Bar Mitzvah, by Becky & Larry Gutin

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Joan Schabb Bellhouse, by Oscar Schabb
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55th Sandra & Joseph Mechanick
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Bar Mitzvah
March 21
Matthew Preti, grandson of Peggy K. & Fred Wolf, III
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Nancy Marsiglia, by Carol Wheatley
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# MAY EVENTS

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**VS:** via StreamSpot  
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### Friday, May 1
- **4:30 PM**  
  Kol Echad VIRTUAL Shabbat from Beth El *(see page 4)*  
  **6:15 PM**  
  Shabbat Service preceded by 6 pm PJ Shabbat Storytime  

### Saturday, May 2
- **9 AM**  
  Torah Talk  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Shabbat Service

### Sunday, May 3
- **9 AM**  
  Youth Education  
- **10:15 AM**  
  Adult Beginner Hebrew Class  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Adult B’n’ot Mitzvah Class  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Confirmation Class  
- **11:15 AM**  
  Understanding Prayerbook Hebrew  
- **Noon**  
  Teen Advisory Committee Final Meeting

### Friday, May 8
- **6:15 PM**  
  Shabbat Service preceded by 6 pm PJ Shabbat Storytime

### Saturday, May 9
- **9 AM**  
  Torah Talk  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Shabbat Service

### Sunday, May 10; Mothers Day
- **9 AM**  
  Youth Education  
- **10:15 AM**  
  Adult Beginner Hebrew Class  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Adult B’n’ot Mitzvah Class  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Confirmation Class  
- **11:15 AM**  
  Understanding Prayerbook Hebrew  
- **3 PM**  
  Music and Meaning Concert Mothers Day

### Friday, May 15
- **6:15 PM**  
  Shabbat Service preceded by 6 pm PJ Shabbat Storytime

### Saturday, May 16
- **9 AM**  
  Torah Talk  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Shabbat Service

### Sunday, May 17
- **9 AM**  
  Youth Education  
- **10:15 AM**  
  Adult Beginner Hebrew Class  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Adult B’n’ot Mitzvah Class  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Confirmation Class  
- **11:15 AM**  
  Understanding Prayerbook Hebrew

### Friday, May 22
- **6:15 PM**  
  Shabbat Service preceded by 6 pm PJ Shabbat Storytime

### Saturday, May 23
- **9 AM**  
  Torah Talk  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Shabbat Service

### Sunday, May 24
- **10:15 AM**  
  Adult Beginner Hebrew Class  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Adult B’n’ot Mitzvah Class  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Confirmation Class  
- **11:15 AM**  
  Understanding Prayerbook Hebrew

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### Friday, May 29
- **7 AM**  
  Shavuot Sunrise Service  
- **6:15 PM**  
  Shabbat Service preceded by 6 pm PJ Shabbat Storytime

### Saturday, May 30
- **9 AM**  
  Torah Talk  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Shabbat Service

### Sunday, May 31
- **10:15 AM**  
  Adult Beginner Hebrew Class  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Adult B’n’ot Mitzvah Class  
- **10:30 AM**  
  Confirmation Class  
- **11:15 AM**  
  Understanding Prayerbook Hebrew

### Monday-Friday
- **1:30 PM**  
  Fill Your Cup with BHC Daily Adult Education:
  - **Mondays**  
    Rabbi Elissa Sachs-Kohen  
    “Illness and the Psalms”  
  - **Tuesdays**  
    Cantor Ben Ellerin  
    “Jewish Music and Composers”  
  - **Wednesdays**  
    Rabbi Andrew Busch  
    “Midrash: Rabbinic Narratives”  
  - **Thursdays**  
    May 7, Muki Jankelowitz  
    “Beyond the Current Coronavirus in Israel” Part 3 of 3.  
    May 14, Rabbi Debbie Pine  
    “Exploring Jewish Peoplehood”  
    May 21 and 28, Cantorial Intern Becky Mann  
    “What I am Learning in Cantorial School”  
  - **Fridays**  
    Brad Cohen, Director of Education, “Musar Musings”

Details to join will be provided in daily emails and weekly Briefly.

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### ROSE HASHANAH UNDER THE STARS COMMITTEE

Do you love Rosh Hashanah Under the Stars? Have you always wanted to be apart of the Planning Committee, but you didn’t know how to get involved? Then this is for you! We are looking for more members to join the Planning Committee and would love to have you! The Committee meets 3-5 times leading up to Rosh Hashanah. You can take as large or as small of role on the Committee that you want, and join with us to continue to make it the best Erev Rosh Hashanah service around. **JOIN TODAY & INFO:** Jillian Manko, jmanko@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587 ext. 246.

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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

#### SHAVUOT AT BHC
- **Friday, May 29**
- **Saturday, May 30**

Celebrate Shavuot with the BHC via Zoom and StreamSpot. Look for details in a future email.
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6:15 PM • Shabbat Service preceded by 6 PM PJ Shabbat Storytime VS

SATURDAY, MAY 2
Acharei Mot-K’doshim
Leviticus 16:1 - 20:27
9 AM • Torah Talk ZM
10:30 AM • Shabbat Service VS

FRIDAY, MAY 8
6:15 PM • Shabbat Service preceded by 6 PM PJ Shabbat Storytime VS

SATURDAY, MAY 9
9 AM • Torah Talk ZM
10:30 AM • Shabbat Service VS

FRIDAY, MAY 15
6:15 PM • Shabbat Service preceded by 6 PM PJ Shabbat Storytime VS

SATURDAY, MAY 16
B’har-B’chukotai, Leviticus 25:1 - 27:34
9 AM • Torah Talk ZM
10:30 AM • Shabbat Service VS

FRIDAY, MAY 22
6:15 PM • Shabbat Service preceded by 6 PM PJ Shabbat Storytime VS

SATURDAY, MAY 23
B’midbar, Numbers 1:1-4:20
9 AM • Torah Talk ZM
10:30 AM • Shabbat Service VS

FRIDAY, MAY 29
6:15 PM • Shabbat Service preceded by 6 PM PJ Shabbat Storytime VS

SATURDAY, MAY 30
Nasso, Numbers 4:21 - 7:89
9 AM • Torah Talk ZM
10:30 AM • Shabbat Service VS

Videostreaming for Shabbat and High Holy Day services is available by visiting venue. streamspot.com/de50dfb8