

Rabbi Jacob Berman Community Center



Weekly Bulletin

עלון שבועי

11-18 April 2025

י"ד – כ' ניסן תשפ"ה

Tzav, Shabbat Hagadol

צו, שבת הגדול

פסח Pesach

SCHEDULE

ליל שבת Erev Shabbat

Early Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv	17:35
Earliest Candles (*)	17:47
Candle Lighting B'Zman	18:45
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv	18:55

(*) Candles may be lit earlier without accepting Shabbat

Shabbat Day, Shabbat Hagadol

יום שבת, שבת הגדול

Shacharit	6:30, 8:15
No D'var Torah	
No Mini Minyan	
No Midi Minyan	
No Parasha Shiur	

Latest time to eat Chametz 10:31

Latest time to destroy Chametz 11:35

Women's Parasha Shiur is **on break**, resuming after Pesach

ליל פסח Pesach evening

Early Mincha / Maariv	17:30
Mincha/Short D'var Torah/Maariv	18:55/19:30
Candle Lighting Not before	19:44
Chatzot (latest Afikoman)	0:41

פסח Pesach Day (Sunday)

Shacharit	6:45, 8:45
Mini Minyan	10:15
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Mincha	18:55
Maariv	19:39
Havdala	19:46

חול המועד Chol Hamoed

Shacharit	6:30
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מנחה/מעריב Mincha/Maariv

Monday	19:00 /19:09
Tuesday	19:00 /19:10
Wednesday	19:00 /19:11
Thursday	19:00 /19:11

KIDDUSH SPONSORS

חסות לקידוש



No Kiddush on Shabbat- Erev Pesach.

Kiddush on Chag is sponsored by **The Shul**.

Hashkama Minyan Kiddushim on Shabbat and Chag are sponsored by **Adina and Josh Klein**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS הודעות

לידות Births



Mazal Tov to **Shoshana and Paul Mendelson** on the birth of a **baby girl, Amarya Leigh Chen** אמריה לי חן. Mazal Tov to the baby's siblings Yonatan, Atara, and Ariel, and to grandparents Tom and Risha Bauer, Beth Bauer and Joe DeGise II, and Marjorie Mendelson.

Bereavement and Memorial זיכרון

ושכול



We regret to announce the passing of **Rivka Strauss z"l**, the mother of our member **Adam Strauss**. The funeral took place on Wednesday night, 9 April in Jerusalem. Adam is sitting shiva at his mother's home through Friday afternoon, 11 April at 15:00. The address is 3/46 Henrietta Szold, 8th floor, Jerusalem. Visiting hours are until 22:00

on Thursday, and 15:00 on Friday. Shacharit 7:00; Mincha-Maariv Thursday 18:55. Adam can be reached at 052-354-0887. Please refer to the website page regularly (www.bermanshul.org/shiva) for additional updates. המקום ינחם את המשפחה בתוך שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים

SHUL ACTIVITIES, EVENTS AND REMINDERS תזכורות, אירועים ופצילות של בית הכנסת



Bulletin deadline. Please send in non-emergency items for the bulletin by **16:00 on Wednesdays** to give us a little more time to work...and please remember to use bulletin@bermanshul.org for all submissions.

Birkat Ha-Ilan. From Rosh Chodesh Nissan upon seeing [at least two] flowering fruit trees together:
ברוך אתה ה' א-לוקינו מלך העולם שלא חסר בעולמו כלום וברא בו בריות טובות ואילנות טובות ליהנות בהם בני אדם

Hostage list. We are grateful to Hashem for those hostages who have come home, while praying for the safe return of the others, and for the safety of Chayalei Tzahal and all of Am Yisrael in the face of ever-present danger. The list of hostages still in captivity is updated as needed and may be seen [here](#).

Pesach פסח



Last Call---Remember to sell your Chametz. Sites at which you can sell Chametz online are listed below (["Mechirat Chametz online"](#)).

Please remember to light a long-burning candle before Shabbat. Candle lighting for Chag on Saturday night is only after 19:44 and must be done from a preexisting flame.

Seudat Shabbat Motzi on Erev Pesach. For those who wish to eat Seudat Shabbat with Chametz Motzi immediately **after participating in Hashkama Minyan** on Shabbat, 12 April, please note the following:

1. Motzi will be made as part of Kiddush, and bread will be available on a designated table (please do not bring Chametz items under the pergola).
 2. Under no circumstances may Chametz be brought into the Shul or the Shul kitchen. Latest time to eat Chametz on Shabbat morning is 10:31 AM.
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When Pesach Seder is on Saturday night. This year 5785/2025 is a special one: Pesach starts on Motsaei Shabbat, and as a result, Erev Pesach falls on Shabbat. (This will not reoccur for another 20 years.) As a result, all sorts of clean-up procedures and pre-Pesach and Shabbat rules and rituals need to be properly planned. The attached short guide: *What to Do When Erev Pesach Falls on Shabbat (5785)* by Rabbi Aryeh Frimer - available in [English](#) and [Hebrew](#).

ערב פסח שחל בשבת. שנת תשפ"ה היא מיוחדת: השנה, חג הפסח מתחיל במוצאי שבת וכתוצאה ערב פסח חל בשבת. (זה יקרה שוב רק בעוד 20 שנה.) עקב כך, חייבים לתכנן טוב-טוב כל סוגי הניקיון הנהגים בערב פסח, וחובות וטכסים הקשורים לערב פסח ושבת. מצורף תמצאו [בעברית](#) ו**באנגלית** מדריך לערב פסח שחל בשבת תשפ"ה ע"י הרב אריה פרימר.

Erev Pesach Mincha/Maariv. There will be an early Mincha on Shabbat Erev Pesach at 17:30 followed by Maariv. **No Seder preparations may be performed until 19:44 (including heating food or setting the table) even if you have davened Maariv early.** Please see [here](#) for an explanation by R' Aryeh Frimer of why it is permissible to daven Maariv so early on Shabbat afternoon. Note: Second Shabbat Mincha is at 18:55, short D'var Torah by Rav Moti Goldreich and Maariv at 19:30 (slightly earlier than regular Motzaei Shabbat Maariv).

Important Kashrut Information for Pesach 2025/5785 may be seen [here](#) or below.
Collected by Rabbi Aryeh Frimer Aryeh.Frimer@biu.ac.il; 054-7540761).

Mechirat Chametz online:

- (1) Rabbanei Tzohar (forms in several languages, including English):
https://www.tzohar.org.il/?page_id=16852
 - (2) Kipa Website (Form in Hebrew): <https://www.kipa.co.il/passover/sell.asp>
 - (3) Chabad (Form in Hebrew): <https://www.hametz.co.il>
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Passover Guides and Medicine Lists

Kupat Holim Clalit Medicine List כופ"ח כללית קופ"ח

[Contains Complete List of Medicines, Formula, Vitamins and Food Supplements]

https://www.clalit.co.il/he/medical/pharmacy/Documents/booklet_of_kosher_medicines_for_passover_2025.pdf.

To search for a specific medicine use: <https://www.clalit.co.il/he/koshermedicines>.

Alternatively, you can call *2701 and say the name of the medicine in English or Hebrew. The answering system will tell you whether the medicine is Kosher for Passover.

The above Medicine list indicates that The Chief Rabbinate's policy is that no medicine containing Chametz should be used - unless it has no substitute and halting its use will lead to safek pikuach nefesh.

The CRC and OU policy below is more lenient.

CRC (Chicago Rabbinical Council) Passover Guide can be found online at: https://consumer.crckosher.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Pesach-Guide-2025_reduced.pdf. The CRC Policy on Medicines and Cosmetics is found on page 12 and Medicines listed on pp. 13-17. A list of nutritional supplements, baby formulae and milk substitutes are found on p. 20. Index to the Pesach articles at: <https://consumer.crckosher.org/pesach-2025/>
Some of the important highlights from the CRC Guide are as follows:

- All pill medication (with or without Chametz) that one swallows is permitted without special Hashgacha. [Candy coated pills are an exception.] Vitamins and Food supplements do not necessarily fall under the category of medicines.
- Liquid and chewable medications that contain Kitniyot are permitted for one who is ill.
- All varieties of body soaps, hand sanitizer, shampoos and stick deodorants are permitted for use on Pesach regardless of their ingredients.
- All types of ointments, creams, nail polish, hand lotions, eye shadow, eyeliner, mascara, blush, foot and face powders, and ink and paint may be used regardless of their ingredients.
- Lipstick, mouthwash and toothpaste which contain Chametz should not be used. A list of approved lipsticks is found in the CRC guide pp. 16-17.
- Alcohol products used for medicines, cosmetics, perfumes and soaps produced in the USA do not contain grain alcohol - and may be used.
We note, however, that many Poskim – including R. Ovadia Yosef (Yalkut Yosef, Moadim p. 360) and R. Joseph B. Soloveitchik - permit all denatured alcohol on Pesach. See also the review of R. David Brofsky (<https://www.etzion.org.il/en/halakhah/orach-chaim/holidays/laws-pesach-medicines-and-cosmetics>).

OU Passover Guide can be found online at:

https://www.kashrut.com/Passover/pdf/OU_2025_PassoverGuide.pdf. See pp. 18-19 for the required amounts of the wine, Matza and Maror; p. 100 for Infant formulas and supplements; and p. 101 of the guide for their Policy on Medicines.

How to Kasher your Kitchen Videos: <https://oukosher.org/passover/preparing-for-pesach/>

Assorted valuable Pesach links can be found at <https://www.kashrut.com/Passover/>

The earliest time for starting (including preparations) the Seder in Rehovot (saying Kiddush after Tseit haKochavim) is 19:44. Afikoman should be eaten before (Chatzot) 00:41.

Yizkor (last day Chag). A list of the deceased who were members of the Shul at the time of their passing, can be seen [here](#) (women) and [here](#) (men), and on the [Noticeboard](#).

שיעורים והרצאות Shiurim & Lectures



Save the date! 8th annual Chaya Levmore Tannor Memorial Lecture (in English), Sunday, 27 April, 20:00 at Bermans (Maariv 19:50). Lecturer: Simi Peters, author of "Learning to Read Midrash". An internationally acclaimed lecturer, Simi teaches at Nishmat and Matan in Jerusalem, as well as outside Israel, online. The lecture will be followed by sushi and light refreshments.

Midreshet Shabbat. The new season of the Midreshet HaShabbat lectures will start again Be"H before Mincha on the Shabbat after Pesach. Schedule in upcoming bulletin.

מדרשת שבת. העונה החדשה של שיעורי מדרשת השבת תתחיל בע"ה שבוע אחרי פסח בשבת, לפני תפילת המנחה. תוכנית תפורסם בקרוב.

HOSPITALITY & CHESD

אירוח וחסד

Hospitality



Hospitality: The community has been joined by a large number of new families. Please see their details (and pictures) here: www.bermanshul.org/newcomers (note member login required). People who are new to the community and who would like to be set up for Shabbat meals when they first arrive should contact hospitality@bermanshul.org. If you are considering moving to Rehovot and would like to come for a Shabbat, please reach out to the hospitality committee, as well.

אירוח: מספר רב של משפחות הצטרפו לקהילה. ניתן לראות את פרטיהם (ותמונותיהם) בקישור כאן: www.bermanshul.org/newcomers (שימו לב כי נדרשים שם משתמש וסיסמה). חברים חדשים או שוקלים להצטרף, ומעוניינים באירוח לארוחות שבת אצל חברים בקהילה מיד לאחר הצטרפותם, מתבקשים לשלוח הודעה ל- hospitality@bermanshul.org. אם אתם שוקלים מעבר לרחובות ומעוניינים לבוא לביקור בשבת ולהתארח אצל חברים מהקהילה, נא צרו קשר עם ועדת האירוח באותה כתובת.

Chesed Links קישורי חסד



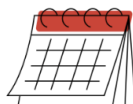
Chesed: For specific help during illness, contact the Bikur Cholim coordinator, Freida Ollech at: (052) 678-2857.

Bereavement notification, or to see arrangements to help the bereaved, visit: www.bermanshul.org/shiva.

Misheberach for policy and details regarding Chesed activities, see shul website under [Community](#).

קישורי "חסד": אם אתם זקוקים לעזרה בעת מחלה, נא צרו קשר עם רכזת ביקור חולים - פרידה אולך, 052-678-2857. **לדיווח על שכול** או על מנת לבקש סיוע לאבלים, נא מלאו את הטופס בקישור: www.bermanshul.org/shiva. המדיניות לברכת **מי שברך** לחולים ופרטים נוספים בקשר לפעילות חסד בקהילה, נמצאים באתר בית הכנסת בעמוד [הקהילה](#) באתר בית הכנסת.

CALENDAR לוח



The Berman PDF calendar is available for download on our website under [Calendar](#).

ניתן להוריד את לוח זמני שבת וחג וזמני תפילות לאתר בעמוד: [Calendar](#) (PDF)

Live calendar with full schedule of Berman events, and other happenings can be found at www.bermanshul.org/calendar. Click on any event to see details. In addition, an ics file can be added to your calendar definitions so that a lot of the information in the pdf calendar can be seen in your mobile calendar. Click [here](#) for the ics file.

לוח מקוון שכולל את לוח הזמנים המלא של כל האירועים הרשמיים של קהילת ברמן ואירועים אחרים נמצא ב- www.bermanshul.org/calendar. הקישו על האירוע לקבלת פרטים נוספים.

Members organizing private events (e.g., wedding, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, etc.) are requested to have their event listed as an anonymous "private event" to avoid scheduling conflicts. Register [here](#).

חברים המארגנים אירועים פרטיים (כגון חתונה, מסיבת בר/בת-מצווה, וכד') מתבקשים להירשם כדי שנוכל לרשום את התאריך כאירוע אנונימי פרטי ביומן. המטרה היא למנוע כפל אירועים באותו יום. הרשם בקישור [זה](#).

PERSONAL & BASEMENT חדשות פרטיות

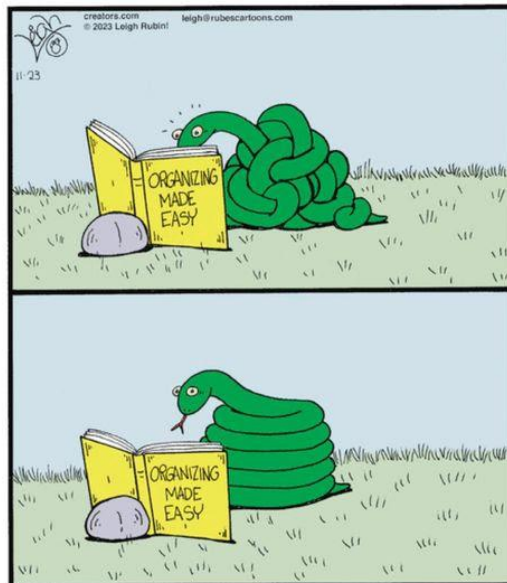
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****Coming soon** Free public transport for citizens from age 67.** Registration starts after 25 April. Watch this space for info.

Last week's Basement

Emunah Rehovot - Annual Yom Hashoah Meeting - Tuesday April 22nd at 10:00 at the home of Evelynne and Hershell Goldman [with mamad] 29/2 Gorodesky, Rehovot, Tel: 054 7652902. Guest Speaker - Marty Herskovitz - a 2nd generation speaker, Author of "A Generation On - Stories of Forgetting and Re-Remembering". There will be candles for lighting, our refreshments will be only water. All welcome, members and nonmembers. All donations will be given to the Holocaust Survivors' Fund at Yad Vashem.



For bulletin submissions / subscriptions, write to bulletin@bermanshul.org
bulletin@bermanshul.org לרישום או להגשת מודעות לידיעון כתבו מייל ל

Submission deadline for bulletin items Wednesdays at 18:00
המועד האחרון להגשת מודעות לעלון הוא בימי רביעי בשעה 18:00
For donations to the Shul: [here](#)

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