This Week & Beyond at BEKI
BEKI Happenings

- **BEKI Talks:** Wednesday Night Schmoozes in July & August **On-Line:**
  - Mark Oppenheimer, “Lessons for Pittsburgh” (8p-9p Wed. 15 July)  Add to G-Cal
  - Book Discussion, Nancy Sinkoff’s “From Left to Right: Lucy Dawidowicz, the New York Intellectuals and the Politics of Jewish History” (8p-9p Wed. 22 July)  Add to G-Cal
  - Prof. Kalfani Ture, “Policing, Racism, Community” (8p-9p Wed. 12 Aug) Add to G-Cal

- **BEKI’s Old Jewish Jokes Telling Old Jewish Jokes** with hosts Robert Lettick, Dan Weintraub & Noam Benson-Tilsen. Open Mic Auditions (Session will be Recorded) Sunday 19 July 2020, 8p-9:15p, On-Line. Info jjtilsen@beki.org. Add to Calendar

- **Conversation & Connection:** With Karen Kassap, 6:15p-7:30p Tuesdays after tefila in July 2020.  On-line on the Tefilla Channel.

- **Parashat HaShavua:** Delve into the week’s Torah reading. Sunday mornings in July 10a-10:45a Join Parashat HaShavua On-Line. Text: Parashiyot Matot-Masei  This Week 12 July: With Rabbi Carl Astor

- **Tehilim in Times of Trouble:** Explore the ancient poetry of the Biblical Psalms with Corinne Blackmer, Sundays 3:30p-4:30p On-Line. On-going.

- **Rashi Study Group:** Book of Second Kings with commentary, Mondays 8a-8:30a. On-line RSG. Text at Sefaria. (2 Kings 18:23)

- **Talmud Berakhot:** Read Talmud B. Masekhet Berakhot, Thursdays in July, 10a–10:55a, On-Line with Rabbi Tilsen; text at Sefaria Berakhot 10b. English, Aramaic, Hebrew helpful, all levels.

- **Outdoor Children's Shabbat Services:** For information about or to participate in a size-limited, socially-distant outdoor Shabbat family service in July or August, contact Annie at anormanschiff@beki.org.

- **Outdoor In-Person Services**
  - **Qabbalat Shabbat:** Friday Night Services 6p in the Courtyard (Rain: Sanctuary-Social Hall) and Sign in to Tefila On-line.
  - **Shabbat Morning** weekly in July, 9:30a-11a, Shaharit-Torah Service-Musaf. 90 minutes, parking lot; RSVP Yes I'm Planning to Attend Shabbat Morning. Rain Location: Sanctuary & Social Hall
Sunday morning in-person in the Courtyard, 9a-9:35a, weekly in July. Also Sign in to Tefila On-line. Rain Location: Sanctuary

Monday afternoons-evenings in-person in the Courtyard info bekitefilla@gmail.com. 5:45p-6:15p. Weekly in July. Also Sign in to Tefila On-line. Rain Location: Sanctuary.

Planning to attend, or want info? contact bekitefilla@gmail.com or jjitilsen@beki.org  In-person participants must comply with public health protocols (masks, distancing, no loud singing, RSVP preferred to facilitate tracing). Prayer books and chairs provided or bring your own. Washrooms available. On-line participants can recite “Amen” and Qaddish (assuming a quorum forms on-site).

- **On-Line Daily Services:** Info bekitefilla@gmail.com for weekday and Qabbalat Shabbat on-line prayer. See daily schedule below links – just click to join on-line. To request the “El Malei Rahamim” memorial prayer or a Prayer for Healing, write to jjitilsen@beki.org or tell the host or Rabbi Tilsen. Services based on an in-person quorum include Qedusha and Mourners’ Qaddish.

- **Tisha BeAv Services:** Wednesday Night 29 July 8:15p-9:30p On-Line  Songs & Qinot  Eikha Text  Add to G-Calendar

- **Service Leaders Needed:** If you would like to sign up to lead tefila or read Haftara or Torah at an outdoor service in July or August, please write to jjitilsen@beki.org.

- **Yizkor Book sponsor needed:** Seeking a sponsor for this year’s Yizkor Memorial Book. Sponsor will have a page at the front of the book for memorializing your loved one(s). The book will be used at Yom Kippur and other times during the year. Infot Shoshana Lash at 203-732-0275 CantorSL@yahoo.com

- **More Daily & Shabbat Services:** Learning? Hear selected recordings at beki.org . See online prayerbooks or buy a book on-line or request a free book from jjitilsen@beki.org or bekitefilla@gmail.com.

- **Need Torah?** Learn Sing Pray with the Conservative Masorti Online Beit Midrash in Jerusalem https://www.conservativeyeshiva.org/learn/ Texts available at www.sefaria.org. Selected audio prayers, Member Divrei Torah and Rabbi’s Writings are available at beki.org under “Learning.”

- **Rabbi Tilsen’s Video Messages:** See 3- to 6- minute messages

- **Facebook:** To simplify our communication, to avoid duplication or division, we are posting now only to BEKI’s “members” FB page, the page with the image of the stained glass windows and bird icon, and not to the static “official” page. If you’d like to see members’ and office posts about BEKI events, cultural activities, community news, and more, subscribe by writing to office@beki.org. (If you are receiving the “Daily Joke,” then you are already subscribed.)

- **Blood Drive at BEKI:** Sign Up to Donate, or volunteer with Darryl to help on the day-of Thursday 13 August 2020. Includes antibody testing. More Info.

- **COVID-19 Testing Locally This Week:** Westville synagogue is offering free COVID-19 testing at their building 15-17 July Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday this week. They need 50 people signed up now for this to happen. CONTACT Elliott Croll, Westville Synagogue, ercroll@aol.com with name and birthdate.
Columbus House (CH) Dinners: No prep or volunteer activities for Columbus House due to COVID19 precautions. However, the food is still needed. Help sponsor food supplies for CH meals in July or August, contact Darryl Kuperstock kuperst@gmail.com 203-215-8555.

Want to Help? To assist in on-going and ad-hoc support for BEKI members and Greater New Haven residents with significant or urgent needs, volunteer to participate in Hesed Committee robolettick@aol.com 203-672-4705, Tiqun Olam Committee kuperst@gmail.com 203-215-8555, and other organized efforts; info office@beki.org

- buying and delivering groceries and medicines
- acquiring or making face masks
- assisting with technical difficulties
- making and mailing cards to folks in our community to help them feel connected
- offering suggestions for helping to keep our community connected and cared for

Need Help? When you need help acquiring essential food, medicine, utilities, communication services, contact office@beki.org 203.389.2108 x114; we will connect you with Hesed Committee, Tiqun Olam Cmte, rabbinic counsel jtilsen@beki.org 203.389.2108 x110, and other synagogue-based and community agencies and vendors. We are a community and we will help each other as much as we can.

Sew Masks: Have a sewing machine? Make high-quality 100% cotton pocket masks for local first responders and others. Contact BEKI members Linda Schultz (203-494-7664 linda.schultz@snet.net) or Trish Loving (203-641-0925 tloving@aya.yale.edu).

COVID-19 & Maimonides Fund: Support or get help from Jewish Federation and Jewish Foundation COVID-19 & Maimonides Relief Funds.

Building Closed: The BEKI Building is closed until further notice. If you think you need access, make an arrangement with Peggy office@beki.org so that public health and building security protocols can be observed.

Stop & Shop Gift Cards: The BEKI office sells Stop & Shop gift cards. These cards can be used at any Stop & Shop location, like a debit card, to buy groceries or gasoline. This is an ongoing fundraiser which costs you nothing but has provided over $3000 in income. Contact Peggy office@beki.org to participate.

Donate: Fast and easy at www.beki.org/give

Write On: To volunteer to write, edit (chief, associate, copy, distribution) or sell ads for the BEKI Bulletin, contact bulletin@beki.org.

Mark Your Calendar
- Parashat HaShavua with Rabbi Carl Astor 12 July 2020
- “Conversation & Connection” with Karen Kassap 14 July 2020
- Mark Oppenheimer, “Lessons from Pittsburgh” 15 July 2020
- Parashat HaShavua with Nadav Sela 19 July 2020
Old Jewish Jokes Telling Old Jewish Joke 19 July 2020
“Conversation & Connection” with Karen Kassap 21 July 2020
Book Discussion, Nancy Sinkoff’s “From Left to Right: Lucy Dawidowicz, the New York Intellectuals and the Politics of Jewish History” 22 July 2020
Parashat HaShavua with Nadav Sela 26 July 2020
“Conversation & Connection” with Karen Kassap 28 July 2020
Tisha Be’Av Evening & Day 29-30 July 2020
Tu Be`Av 5 August 2020
Bar Mitzva: Nate Kempton 7-8 August 2020
Kalfani Ture, “Policing, Racism, Community” 12 August 2020
ARC Blood Drive 13 August 2020
Rosh Hodesh Elul 20-21 August 2020
Bar Mitzva: Toby Manning 28-29 August 2020
Rosh HaShana Night 18 September 2020
Rosh HaShana First & Second Day 19-20 September 2020
Kol Nidre Yom Kippur Night 27 September 2020
Yom Kippur 28 September 2020
Sukkot Night 2 October 2020
Sukkot First Two Days 3-4 October 2020
Hoshana Rabba 9 October 2020
Shemini Atseret 9-10 October 2020
Simhat Torah Evening 10 October 2020
Simhat Torah Morning 11 October 2020
Bar Mitzva: Ari Hurwitz 16-17 October 2020

Friday 10 July 2020 – 18 Tamuz 5780

- Shaharit 7a-7:30a [Sign in to Tefila On-line]
- Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only
- Minha & Qabbalat Shabbat 6p-6:40p [Sign in to Tefila On-line] and BEKI Courtyard (Rain: Sanctuary-Social Hall)
- Shabbat Candle Lighting 8:07p EDT (home ritual)
- Yahrzeits 19 Tamuz (Friday Night & Shabbat Day): Sara Doron, Alan Jay Hodes, Richard Weinstein

Shabbat 11 July 2020 – 19 Tamuz 5780
● Shaharit, Torah Service, Musaf Outdoors by RSVP 9:30a-11a (Or Home Ritual)  
RSVP Yes I’m Planning to or Did Attend Shabbat Morning. (Rain: Sanctuary-Social Hall)  
● Torah Reading: Parashat Pinhas (Num. 25:10 - 30:1)  
● Haftara: First Haftara of Rebuke -- Jeremiah 1:1 - 2:3  
● Minha (At Home) 1p–8p  
● Minha Scriptural Reading: Selection from Parashat Matot (Num. 30:2-17)  
● Havdala 9:07p or Later (Home Ritual)  
● Yahrzeits 20 Tamuz (Motse’ei Shabbat & Sunday): Rhoda Cohen, Sondra Herschderfer, Rose Shonberg

Sunday 12 July 2020 – 20 Tamuz 5780  
● Shaharit 9a–9:35a BEKI Courtyard and On-line  
10a-10:45a Join Parashat HaShavua On-Line  
● Tehilim with Corinne Blackmer 3:30p-4:30p On-Line  
● Minha & Maariv 5:45p–6:15p Courtyard and Sign in to Tefila On-line  
● Yahrzeits 21 Tamuz (Sunday Night & Monday): Freidl Epstein, Adele Levy, Lola Nash, Robert Pintell, Sidney Stern, Frances Turkoff

Monday 13 July 2020 – 21 Tamuz 5780  
● Shaharit 7a-7:45a Sign in to Tefila On-line  
● Torah Reading: Selection from Parashat Matot (Num. 30:2-17)  
● Rashi Study Group 8a-8:30a Sign-In to Rashi On-line Text 2Kings 18:23  
● Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only  
● Minha & Maariv 5:45p–6:15p Courtyard & Sign in to Tefila On-line  
● Yahrzeits 22 Tamuz (Monday Night & Tuesday): Sylvia Botwinick, Shirley Chain, Inge Fish, David Herschderfer, Chiam Kalman, William Kaplowitz, Jack Lipschutz, Renee Mansfield, Monroe Nash, Herb Sachs, George Schnitman, Miriam Zerwitz

Tuesday 14 July 2020 – 22 Tamuz 5780  
● Shaharit 7a–7:45a Sign in to Tefila On-line  
● Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only  
● Minha & Maariv 5:45p–6:15p Sign in to Tefila On-line  
● Conversation & Connection with Karen Kassap 6:15p-7:30p Sign in On-Line  
● Yahrzeits 23 Tamuz (Tuesday Night & Wednesday): David Krevolin, Marvin Missan

Wednesday 15 July 2020 – 23 Tamuz 5780  
● Shaharit 7a-7:30a Sign in to Tefila On-line  
● Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only  
● Rabbis’ Study Group (closed) 10a-11a
Thursday 16 July 2020 – 24 Tamuz 5780

- Shaharit 8:15a-9a Sign in to Tefila On-line
- Torah Reading: Selection from Parashat Matot (Num. 30:2-17)
- Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only
- Talmud Berakhot Study Group 10a-10:50a On-line Text Berakhot 10a
- Minha & Maariv 5:45p - 6:15p Sign in to Tefila On-line
- Yahrzeits 24 Tamuz (Wednesday Night & Thursday): William Rue, Joseph Saslow, William Toth

Friday 17 July 2020 – 25 Tamuz 5780

- Shaharit 7a-7:30a Sign in to Tefila On-line
- Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only
- Minha & Qabbalat Shabbat 6p-6:40p Sign in to Tefila On-line and BEKI Courtyard
- Shabbat Candle Lighting 8:03p EDT (home ritual)
- Yahrzeits 25 Tamuz (Thursday Night & Friday): (none)

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