



December 25,  
2018

# This Week at Etz Hayim

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## Weekly Services

21 Tevet 5779: Parashat Shemot

[CLICK HERE](#) for USCJ's Torah Sparks, discussion and notes on the weekly Torah portion

- Thursday Minyan, 7:00am
- Friday Shabbat Services, 6:15pm
- Saturday Shabbat Services, 10:00am

## CANDLE LIGHTING & HAVDALAH TIMES

- **Candle lighting** -- Friday, December 28: 4:36pm
- **Havdalah** -- Saturday, December 29: 5:36pm

## Weekly Calendar

[CLICK HERE](#) for the complete online calendar

### Thursday, December 27

\*Office and Preschool: **CLOSED**

\*Minyan: 7:00am

\*Monthly Mitzvah Mission - Feed the Homeless: 5:30pm

### Friday, December 28

\*Office and Preschool: **CLOSED**

\*Monthly Mitzvah Mission - Feed the Homeless: 5:30am

\*Shabbat Services: 6:15pm

Greeter: TBD

### Saturday, December 29

\*Shabbat Services: 10:00am

Shaliach Tzibur: Dina Howard, Ira Bartfield

Torah Reading: Naomi Harris, Leslee Friedman, Harold Dorfman, Jeanne Howard, Ira Bartfield, Dina Howard

Haftarah: Harold Dorfman

Gabbais: Ben Simon, Naomi Halpern

Greeter: TBD

Saturday Kiddush Helpers: Jeanne Howard, Roberta Wasserman

### Sunday, December 30

\*Religious School: **CLOSED**

## Etz Hayim Events & Notices

*Events at or sponsored by CEH*

### Adult Education:

- Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Lia Bass: **Thursday, January 3, 12:00pm**
- What were Jews Reading and Writing in the Ghettos? with Dr. Edna Friedberg: **Saturday, January 12, 13:30pm**
- Jewish History - The Last 175 Years, Part 1 with Noam Vinokor: **Sunday January 13, 10:15am**
- Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Lia Bass: **Thursday, January 17, 12:00pm**
- Jewish History - The Last 175 Years, Part 2 with Noam Vinokor: **Sunday January 27, 10:15am**
- All-Shul Learning - Shabbat: **Sunday, February 3, 10:15am**

### Preschool:

- Preschool return: **Wednesday, January 2, 9:30am**
- Preschool Havdalah: **Saturday, January 12, 6:00pm**

### Religious School:

- Religious School return: **Wednesday, January 9, 4:45pm**
- Junior Congregation: **Saturday, January 12, 11:00am**
- Youth Group - Tikvah and Tag: **Sunday, January 13, 12:30pm**
- Shabbat Service and Kitah Vav (6th) Siyyum: **Saturday, January 26, 10:00am**
- RS Teacher Training: **Saturday, January 26, 12:30pm**
- Roller Skating Havdalah for Grades 3-5: **Saturday, January 26, 6:00pm**

### Congregation:

- Shabbat Services: **Friday, January 4, 6:15pm (POTLUCK CANCELED)**
- Musical Shabbat: **Friday, January 11, 6:15pm**
- **Social Action Outreach Event with Arlington County MLK Day Volunteer Programming: Sunday, January 20,**
- Executive Committee Meeting: **Thursday, January 24, 6:30pm**
- Board Meeting: **Thursday, January 24, 7:30pm**
- Monthly Mitzvah Mission - Feed the Homeless: **Friday, December 25, 5:30am**
- Monthly Mitzvah Mission - Feed the Homeless: **Thursday, January 31, 5:30pm**



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[volunteerarlington.org/MLK](http://volunteerarlington.org/MLK)

**Monday**  
**January 21, 2019**  
8:30am – 12:00pm  
**Washington-Lee High School**  
1301 N. Stafford Street  
Arlington, VA 22201

**“Everybody can be great because Everybody Can Serve.”**  
-MLK, Jr.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. MAKE IT A DAY ON NOT A DAY OFF DAY OF SERVICE**

## Volunteer Arlington MLK Day of Service

**Monday, January 21, 8:30am - 12:00pm**

*Location: Washington Lee High School*

Congregation Etz Hayim is a SPONSOR for this family-friendly event to benefit over 20 local non-profit organizations. Join your CEH friends as well as other community members to make this holiday a "day on rather than a day off" and work together to move closer to Dr. King's vision of a "Beloved Community".

There will be volunteer opportunities for people of all ages.

Afterward, CEH friends will meet for lunch at Chesapeake Bagel Bakery at Lee-Harrison Shopping Center - around 1:00pm.

Please, [CLICK HERE](#) and register as soon as possible to get the volunteer job of your choice - especially if you are trying to sign up as a group of friends. This is a popular community event that fills quickly.

For more information: <https://volunteer.leadercenter.org/MLK>

## Adult Education Events

Join us for our Adult Education events:



**Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Bass**  
**Thursday, January 3, 12:00 - 1:30pm**  
*Location: CEH*

Bring a vegetarian/dairy lunch, and the Book of Joshua for an in-depth learning of this fascinating text which contains the story of the conquest of Canaan. No knowledge of Hebrew is necessary, just your desire to learn! The lunch group meets at CEH the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 12 -1:30 PM. Contact the CEH Office for a copy of the text.

**What were Jews Reading and Writing in the Ghettos?**  
**Saturday, January 12, 12:30pm**  
*Location: CEH*

Join us to learn with Dr. Edna Friedberg, a fellow at the Jewish Theological Seminary and a historian at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

## **Jewish History - The Last 175 Years, Part 1 with Noam Vinokor**

**Sunday January 13, 10:15am**

*Location: CEH*

Our first history session will cover Jewish history starting in the mid-18th to the turn of the 20th century. We will cover the Haskalah movement's attempt to bring Judaism out of the Ghetto and the various new religious movements that arose in the 19th century and redefined modern Judaism. Our discussion will continue up to the mass emigration from Russia. We will also explore the history of American Jewry during this period.



### **SAVE THE DATE!**

**Saturday, February 2nd, 2019** for our Congregational Gala in Honor of Lyn & Jill Shenk and Alan Savada & Will Stevenson.

### **Tzedakah Touts**

The following represents contributions made to the synagogue from August through November, 2018. We apologize for any errors or omissions.



### **Legacy Fund Donors:**

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### **Annual Fund:**

- Alan Savada & Will Stevenson in celebration of Will's Cabaret
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- Audrey Madans with thanks for the Aliyah and the warm welcome
- Bernard & Merle Wexler in memory of David S. Wexler
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- Beth Wolffe in honor of Bill & Elizabeth Sager's great grand daughter, Maayan Avigail
- Beth Wolffe in memory of Henrietta Wolffe
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- Chandru & Kiran Shahani in honor of Phyllis Gottdiener's birthday
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- Enid & Rick Waller in honor of the High Holiday Torah readings by Deborah Meyers
- Gary Greenstein in memory of Aleksander & Liza Greenstein-Grinkov
- Halley & Ruth Anne Faust in appreciation of Sukkot Holiday services
- Howard Shatz for the honor of Hagbah, first scroll, on Rosh Hashanah
- Irene Solet in memory of Leo Solet
- Jason Katz in memory of Helen Bogen Katz
- Jeffrey Zeeman & Reina Malakoff in honor of the Dahlia Zeeman's birth
- Lester Droller in memory of Margot Droller
- Libby Rappaport in memory of Mary Ann Leiner
- Lila Shapiro in memory of Bertha Feldin
- Lydia & Bill Rosenberg in honor of Ellie Rosenberg's Bat Mitzvah. Mazel tov and much love to the Rosenberg family, Grandmom & PopPop
- Martin & Colette Convisser in memory of Freda Convisser
- Marvin & Deborah Bash in memory of Isidor Blumenthal
- Marvin & Rochelle Wolf
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- Maureen Critchely in solidarity
- Michael & Rachel Jacobs
- Michael Steinberg in honor and thanks for the Bat Mitzvah of Ilana Newton
- Mr. & Mrs. Ray Samuelson in memory of Dorothy Levy Freiman
- Nancy Zurich in memory of Irene Balsam
- Naomi Harris & Bard Malovany in honor of the upcoming Bat Mitzvah of Ellie Rosenberg
- Philip Rosenthal
- Phyliss Cassell in memory of Mary Ann Leiner
- Ray & Rosalyn Samuelson in memory of Stanley Joel Samuelson
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- Sally Mahoney
- Scott & Marcy Burka in honor of Mike Stein's 50th Bar Mitzvah anniversary
- Scott & Marcy Burka in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of David Rosman
- Scott & Marcy Burka in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Ellie Rosenberg
- Scott & Marcy Burka in memory of Ann Newman
- Sherri Edgar in memory of Deborah Wasserman
- Sonia Goffman in honor of Ellie's Bat Mitzvah and the Rosenberg Family. Mazel tov, with much love, Bubbie Sonni
- Susan Rosenblum
- Toni Greenberg

**Celia & Saul Bash Memorial Fund:**

- Sheldon Turetsky in memory of Anna Weinhouse Friedman

**Enhancement Fund:**

- Michael & Rachel Jacobs in honor of Etz Hayim's new GenX Female Torah Readers
- Sylvia Gordon in memory of Michelle Newman's mother, Ann

**Jean Koshar Rothstein Memorial Fund:**

- Jeanne Briskin & Daniel Dinsmoor in memory of Joseph Lazar
- Gail Korb in memory of David Korb

- Ruth Lieberman in thanks for the hospitality
- Robert Rothstein & Christie Phillips in memory of Jean K. Rothstein

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**Prayerbook Fund:**

- Erika Robinson in memory of Sylvia Schimerman

**Preschool Fund:**

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**Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:**

- Alan Savada & Will Stevenson
- Andrew & Eleanor Lovinger in memory of Emily Saoul
- Cheryl Whitehead & Naomi A. McQuaid in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Ilana Newton
- Cheryl Whitehead & Naomi A. McQuaid donation in memory of Ann Newman, mother of Michele Newman
- Cheryl Whitehead & Naomi A. McQuaid in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of David Rosman
- Cheryl Whitehead & Naomi A. McQuaid in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Ellie Rosenberg
- Gene Pohl in memory of Lionel Semiatin
- Jeanne Briskin & Daniel Dinsmoor
- Jonathan & Ronni Arden in honor of Will Stevenson and Alan Savada's Anniversary and Will Stevenson's birthday
- Leah Katz in honor of Jake Greenberg
- Marcia Thomas in memory of Lester Finkelstein
- Mark Aarons donation in memory of Richard Ben Aarons
- Nathan Appel
- Paul & Marcia Zimet donation in memory of Betty Chambers
- Rebecca Goldin & Giorgio Ascoli donation for the Rabbi's Sukkot help
- Scott & Marcy Burka
- Wendy Griswold donation in honor of Rabbi Bass

**Scholarship & Awards Fund:**

- Michael & Rachel Jacobs in honor of Etz Hayim's 13 year old who led parts of the Yom Kippur Mincha
- Sylvia Gordon in honor of Alan Savada with thanks for the ticket

**Social Action Fund:**

- Deborah E Kaplan in memory of Judith Roman

**Torah Fund:**

- Anonymous Donor

**Please Note - Reserved Handicap Parking on Route 50**

As you know, Congregation Etz Hayim does offer reserved handicap parking on S. Fenwick St. The availability we offer today is not enough to attend the needs of all congregants.

With that thought in mind, we are working together to make sure our 3 first spots on Route 50 are also reserved for handicap parking for our congregants during Shabbat Services on Friday nights, Shabbat Services on Saturday mornings and Religious School on Sunday mornings.



Please, help us share this initiative!

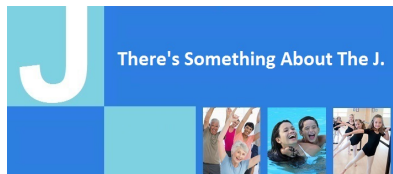
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## JCCNV Adult 55+ Outreach December Programs

- **Wednesday, January 9, 10:30am-noon:** Enjoy a fun, relaxing morning as we challenge your brain with memory games and trivia questions. Enjoy some light snacks and, of course, chocolate for the winners! At the same time, this will be a nice opportunity to get to know other members of the group.
- **Wednesday, January 16, 10:30am-noon:** Art Museums Around the World Let's visit each of them and learn about their history and masterpieces. We will also help the Louvre curators correctly "label" art pieces, and enjoy familiar melodies written to some of them. What a great way to bring the museum experience to you!

[CLICK HERE](#) for complete program details and descriptions.

*Unless otherwise specified, all events are held at Beth El Hebrew Congregation and cost \$5/per-person. For programs at the synagogues, bring a dairy lunch and stay for coffee and dessert. This program is a warm and friendly group of men and women age 55+. They are funded by the JCCNV and graciously supported by Beth El Hebrew Congregation and Etz Hayim Congregation. For more information contact Shelly at [Shelly.Rosenstein@jccnv.org](mailto:Shelly.Rosenstein@jccnv.org) or 703-537-3062.*

## Events Out and About in the Community



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## Monthly Recurring Events

**Potluck Shabbat:** 1st Friday of each month (**NO POTLUCK ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 4TH**)

**Musical Shabbat:** 2nd Friday of each month

**9:30 Club:** Meditation on 2nd Saturday of each month at 9:30am

## Need a Minyan?

Please [contact the office](#) or a member of the Religious Affairs Committee with the specific date you need a minyan and we will do our best to accommodate. When possible, please notify us 2-3 weeks in advance of your requested minyan date.

## Bikkur Cholim (Helping the ill) & Bereavement Committees

These committees are on standby to help in the hour of need for those who are ill or recuperating (Bikkur Cholim), or to assist a bereaved family in arranging for the funeral, Shiva Minyan, and meal of condolence (Bereavement). [SEE MORE...](#)

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