







Calendar Highlights June Shofar

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Sunday, June 1

Erev Shavuot

5:00pm Shavuot Dinner 7:00pm Tikkun Leil Begins Candle lighting: 9:24pm

Monday, June 2

Shavuot — Office Closed

Candle lighting: 10:54pm (using a pre-existing flame)

Tuesday, June 3

Shavuot — Office Closed

9:00am Yizkor Service Yom Tov ends: 10:55pm

Wednesday, June 4

3:30pm Homework Club 7:00pm Board Meeting

Thursday, June 5

3:30pm Homework Club

Friday, June 6

TORAH: Naso

Shabbat begins: 9:29pm

Saturday, June 7

Havdalah: 11:00pm

Monday, June 9

3:30pm Homework Club

Tuesday, June 10

3:30pm Homework Club

Wednesday, June 11

3:30pm Homework Club 7:00pm Diversity as Strength During

Challenging Times

Thursday, June 12

3:30pm Homework Club

Friday, June 13

TORAH: Beha'alotekha Shabbat begins: 9:34pm Saturday, June 14

Jake Sander's Bar Mitzvah

Havdalah: 11:06pm

Sunday, June 15

Father's Day

Monday, June 16

3:30pm Homework Club

Tuesday, June 17

3:30pm Homework Club

Wednesday, June 18

3:30pm Homework Club

Thursday, June 19

3:30pm Homework Club

Friday, June 20

TORAH: Shelah lekha

Shabbat begins: 9:36pm

Saturday, June 21

Havdalah: 11:09pm

Monday, June 23

3:30pm Homework Club

Tuesday, June 24

3:30pm Homework Club

Wednesday, June 25

3:30pm Homework Club

7:00pm Annual General Meeting

Friday, June 27

TORAH: Korah

Shabbat begins: 9:37pm

Saturday, June 28

Amari Fixler's Bat Mitzvah

Havdalah: 11:08pm

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SERVICE SCHEDULE

Morning Services

9:00am Daily

Evening Services 6:00pm Daily

Saturday evening services will exclusively be available by request, unless we are hosting a Seudah Shelishit. If you would like to request a Saturday evening service, kindly contact the Beth Tzedec office at least one week in advance.

Beth Tzedec gratefully acknowledges the generous support provided by major endowment gifts, including:

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> Cyngiser Family Jewish Film Festival Fund

Rabbi Cantor's Corner June Shofar

The Still, Sacred Voice: Shechinah at Sinai and Within

May our celebration of Shavuot awaken in us a sense of awe, and may we make ourselves ready to receive the Shechinah, through compassion, learning, and community

By Rabbi Cantor Russell G. Jayne

Leo & Goldie Sheftel Rabbinical Chair | Norman & Beulah Martin Cantorial Chair

Shavuot, known as Zman Matan Torateinu, "the time of the giving of our Torah," commemorates the climactic moment when God's voice thundered from the mountain and our people entered into an eternal covenant. Yet beyond the thunder and lightning, beyond the Aseret Hadibrot or "Ten Commandments", lies a quieter but no less powerful theme, the presence of the Shechinah, God's indwelling Presence.

The Shechinah, in Jewish mystical and rabbinic thought, is the aspect of God which dwells among us. The Divine that is immanent and close. While God in God's infinity may seem beyond comprehension, the Shechinah is God's nearness, felt in moments of holiness, intimacy, and community. At Sinai, our tradition teaches, the Shechinah descended upon the mountain, and all of Israel stood united beneath its canopy. We were participating at that moment in more than just a legal covenant. It was also a tender sacred encounter.

The Midrash tells us that when the Israelites stood at Sinai, they were "as one person with one heart." That sense of affection, of being seen and held by the Infinite, was and is still at the core of the Shavuot experience.

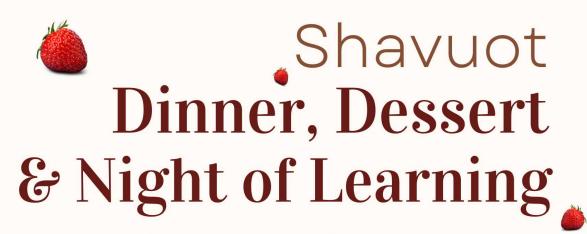
Today, we still seek the Shechinah, not on mountaintops, but in our synagogues, in our homes, and in our hearts. The Shechinah is said to rest wherever ten Jews gather in prayer, wherever justice is pursued, and wherever kindness reigns.

This year, let Shavuot be, for us, more than a historical commemoration. Let it be a rekindling. In a world so often fractured and disconnected, the Shechinah offers a path to reconnection, with each other and with the Divine. As we read the Aseret Hadibrot, let us hear them not just as ancient laws, but as words spoken in love, through the Presence that still dwells within each one of us.

May our celebration of Shavuot awaken in us a sense of awe, and may we make ourselves ready to receive the Shechinah, through compassion, learning, and community. For as it is written, "Let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them" (Exodus 25:8). Not above them. Not beside them. Among them. That is the promise of Shavuot, and its enduring challenge, that this world and all who inhabit it can truly be transformed into the vessels of the Divine.

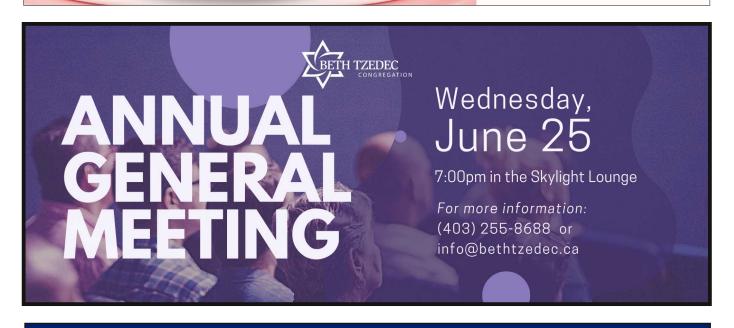
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June Shofar Upcoming Events



Sunday, June 1 | 5pm to 10pm







JUNE BONUS DATES

Sunday, June 8 | Sunday, June 15 | Sunday, June 22 Sunday, June 29 | Monday, June 30 June Shofar Diversity as Strength









PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING THE MAYOR OF JERUSALEM IN CONVERSATION WITH JOEL REITMAN, C.M., PRESIDENT, JERUSALEM FOUNDATION OF CANADA

Diversity As Strength During Challenging Times

Wednesday, June 11th, 2025 • 7:00pm



Mr. Moshe Lion was elected the 10th
Mayor of Jerusalem in 2018 and
re-elected for his second term in
2024. As Mayor, his priorities include
improving the quality of life for the city's
diverse residents, empowering local
economic growth, rapid development of
housing throughout the entire city, and
strengthening international connection
to the city for people of all faiths.

Dessert Reception to follow

LOCATION: BETH TZEDEC CONGREGATION, 1325 Glenmore Trail SW, Calgary

REGISTER TODAY: bit.ly/moshe-lion-calgary

Mazel Tov to Our Shul School Students!

Our Shul School students ended the year with joy, laughter, and plenty of spirit! They learned so much over the past year—about Jewish holidays, Hebrew, values, and community.

















June Shofar Tributes and Donations

Tributes & Donations

CONGREGATION FUND/TZEDAKAH FUND

MAZEL TOV

Bob Shiell, on his birthday By Nat & Harriette Alexander Laura & David Martin and Family, on the engagement of their daughter Alexandra By Rhoda and Carol Brickell Hessie Switzer and Family, on the birth of twin great-grandsons By Milt & Maxine Fischbein Lila Mydlarski, on her special birthday By Dianne and Robin Lipton Harvey & Bev Silverstone, on their special anniversary By Hymie & Rome Fox Jerry Polsky, on his milestone birthday By Walter Moscovitz

SYMPATHY

Robin and David Marcus, on the passing of her father Alvin Winestock By Joyce & Jeff Kerr and Family and Sharon & Shane Freitag and Family

The Chetner Family, on the passing of Arlein Chetner

By Joyce & Jeff Kerr and Family, Sharon & Shane Freitag and Family, and Darren & Melissa Aizanman and Family

Lou and Val Bracey, on the passing of his sister Carole

By Joyce & Jeff Kerr

The Charikar Family, on the passing of Elisheba Charikar
By Milt & Maxine Fischbein
Fran Sheftel-Kolinsky
Jonathan & Paula Lexier

Michael & Sarah Ghert and Family, on the passing of his mother Judy Ghert By Faith Dubisky Howie & Rodi Kirshenbaum

Anna Chousterova, on the passing of her mother Fira Oussantinski By Carrie Scherzer

Monica Samchek and Family, on the passing of her mother Balbina Martinez de Castaño

By Walter Moscovitz Therese Nagler

Harriet & Phil Libin Bob & Cheryl Shiell

Akiba Charikar and Family, on the passing of his mother Elisheba Charikar

By Josh, Yanna and Jacob Inhaber **Jennifer Girvitz and Family**, on the passing of her grandmother Elisheba Charikar

By Josh, Yanna and Jacob Inhaber Pearl Silverstein and the Bobroff Family, on the passing of Wayne Bobroff

By Debbie & Albert Krygier Sylvia Itzcovitch

Pearl Silverstein, on the passing of Wayne Bobroff

By Morris & Nancy Sternberg Sheila Riesenberg

Teri Signer, on the passing of her mother Helen Signer By Allan & Sharon Sattin and Family

The Krygier Family, on the passing of Helen Signer

By Bob & Cheryl Shiell

Aubrey Hollander and Family, on the passing of Nessie Hollander By Harriet & Phil Libin

GET WELL

Bert Glow

By Lila Mydlarski

Tributes & Donations June Shofar

CYNGISER FAMILY JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL FUND

SYMPATHY

Robin and David Marcus, on the passing of her father Alvin Winestock By Francie Cyngiser & David Weisfeld Lewis Wasel and Family, on the passing of his wife Freya Wasel By Francie Cyngiser & David Weisfeld Akiba & Yerusha Charikar, on the passing of his mother Elisheba Charikar

By Harvey Cyngiser

Jennifer Girvitz and Family, on the passing of her grandmother Elisheba Charikar

By Harvey Cyngiser

Adi Charikar, on the passing of his grandmother Elisheba Charikar By Harvey Cyngiser

Lil Hershfield, on the passing of her husband Noel Hershfield By Hilda & Lenny Smith and Family

MEMORIAL NOTICES

Samuel Wayne Bobroff spouse of Pearl, father of Anna (Kevin), stepfather of Jacqui (Jon) and Lisa (Mike), and brother of Leonard (Sandra). Samuel passed away on Monday, May 12.

Balbina Martínez de Castaño

mother of Monica Castaño-Samchek, Rocío (Eduardo) Escallon, Claudia Castaño, Liliana (Jorge) Echeverri, and Pablo (Susana) Macias. Balbina passed away on Tuesday, April 29.

Myrna Raber mother of Avis (Rocky Pollack) Raber, Eileen Block, and Earl Raber. Myrna passed away on Saturday, May 24. Pearl Silverstein, on the passing of Wayne Bobroff
By Hilda & Lenny Smith and Family Monica Samchek and Family, on the passing of her mother Balbina Martinez de Castaño
By Harvey Cyngiser
Aubrey Hollander and Family, on the passing of Nessie Hollander
By Hilda & Lenny Smith and family

GET WELL

Delsie DworkinBy Hilda & Lenny Smith

RABBI'S TZEDAKAH FUND

MAZEL TOV

Howard Cohen, on his milestone birthday By Harriet & Phil Libin

SYMPATHY

Bathyah Charikar, on the passing of her mother Elisheba Charikar By Judy Chetner

Carol Allan

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch **Pearl Silverstein and Family**, on the passing of Wayne Bobroff

By Therese Nagler

LEO & GOLDIE SHEFTEL RABBINIC CHAIR FUND

MAZEL TOV

David Smith, on his special birthday By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch **Lila Mydlarski**, on her special birthday By Harriet & Phil Libin

SYMPATHY

Akiba & Yerusha Charikar, on the passing of his mother Elisheba Charikar
By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch
Harriet & Phil Libin

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Caroline Adler and Family, on the passing of her grandmother Elisheba Charikar

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

Jennifer & Adam Girvitz and Family, on the passing of her grandmother Elisheba Charikar

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

Adi & Vicky Charikar, on the passing of his grandmother Elisheba Charikar By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

Pearl Silverstein and Family, on the passing of Wayne Bobroff By Harriet & Phil Libin

Shelly & Russ Gelfand, on the passing of her mother Nessie Hollander By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

GET WELL

Bert Glow

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch **Sheila Gurevitch**

By Hilda & Lenny Smith

LEV SHALEM SABBATH & FESTIVAL BOOK FUND

MAZEL TOV

Nate and Naida Feldman, on their milestone wedding anniversary By Hilda & Lenny Smith

SYMPATHY

Akiba & Yerusha Charikar and Family, on the passing of Elisheba Charikar By Hilda & Lenny Smith

SIDDUR SIM SHALOM WEEKDAYS BOOK FUND

MAZEL TOV

Ann & Morris Dancyger, on their special birthdays
By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

SYMPATHY

Lil Hershfield, on the passing of her husband Noel Hershfield By Michael & Giezelle Pash

The Charikar Family, on the passing of Elisheba Charikar

By Dianne, Robin, Joel, Kelsey, Sekoya, Ethan and Joseph Lipton

Monica Samcheck and Family, on the passing of her mother Balbina Martinez de Castaño By Judy Chetner

Pearl Silverstein and The Bobroff Family, on the passing of Wayne Bobroff By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

KIDDUSH FUND

SYMPATHY

Elkan & Helen Charikar and Family, on the passing of his mother Elisheba Charikar

By Judy Chetner Abi Benjamin

Akiba & Yerusha Charikar and Family, on the passing of his mother Elisheba Charikar

By Judy Chetner

Uriyah & Daisy Charikar and Family, on the passing of his mother Elisheba Charikar

By Judy Chetner

Yafah & Robert Auslander and

Family, on the passing of her mother Elisheba Charikar By Judy Chetner

Bathyah Charikar, on the passing of her mother Elisheba Charikar By Judy Chetner

Caroline and Adina Adler, on the passing of her grandmother Elisheba Charikar
By Judy Chetner

Tributes & Donations June Shofar

Jennifer Girvitz and Family, on the passing of her grandmother Elisheba Charikar

By Albert & Debbie Krygier Judy Adler

Adi & Vicky Charikar, on the passing of his grandmother Elisheba Charikar By Judy Chetner

The Charikar Family, on the passing of Elisheba Charikar By Jeff Eichler

Rochelle Rabinovitz

Pearl Silverstein, on the passing of Wayne Bobroff By Gail Bobroff

Anna Kahane and Family, on the passing of her father Wayne Bobroff By Gail Bobroff

GET WELL

Bert GlowBy Faith Dubisky

Yahrzeit Fund

Bernard Well, beloved brother By Arnold Well Rose Edelson, beloved mother By Marc Edelson and Family Jack Edelson, beloved father By Marc Edelson and Family Sharon Perman, beloved sister By Marc Edelson and Family Minnie Goldstep, beloved aunt By Marc Edelson and Family Meyer Goldstep, beloved uncle By Marc Edelson and Family Shirley Goldstep-Schneidman, beloved aunt By Marc Edelson and Family **Toba Goldstep**, beloved grandmother By Marc Edelson and Family Beril Goldstep, beloved grandfather By Marc Edelson and Family

Leah Edelson, beloved grandmother By Marc Edelson and Family Harry Edelson, beloved grandfather By Marc Edelson and Family Simon Zuidema, beloved uncle By Cheryl Zack and Family Katya (Katie) Posen, beloved grandmother By Cheryl Zack and Familly Samuel Himelfarb, beloved father By Len Himelfarb Barbara Buncie (née Kramer), beloved aunt By Leeza Friedman-Prokopishyn Jack Blitt, beloved brother By David, Karen, Dorian and Ilan Blitt Harry Polsky, beloved grandfather By Harley Yuffe and Marilyn Sheftel Edward Mendelson, beloved father By Roslyn Mendelson Ben Maerov, beloved father and grandfather By Cynthia Prasow and Family Morris Maerov, beloved uncle By Cynthia Prasow and Family **Sophie Maerov**, beloved grandmother By Cynthia Prasow and Family Bessie Libin, beloved grandmother By Cynthia Prasow and Family Nancy Gardner, beloved sister By Irwin & Hope Rajesky Frank Silver, beloved father By Randi Aaron and Alan Silver Minnie Gorasht, beloved mother By Sonny Gorasht Rose Rubin, beloved mother By Arthur, Carolyn, Alex and David Rubin Jacob Bergman, beloved grandfather By Lisa Bloom-Korol Sophie Bergman, beloved grandmother By Lisa Bloom-Korol Hylda Hector, beloved sister By Arthur Fishman

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June Shofar Yahrzeit Fund

Ken Girvitz, beloved husband

By Reesa Girvitz

Lillian (Lil) Zimmerman, beloved sister

By Fran Viner

Julius (Ziggy) Bleviss, beloved

brother

By Fran Viner

Les Libin, beloved brother

By Phil & Harriet Libin

Dr. David Zivot, beloved husband

By Rose Zivot

Ida Zivot, beloved mother-in-law

By Ida Zivot

Helen Ittkin, beloved mother By Irwin & Wylma Freedman

Solomon Orville Katz, beloved

husband and father

By Shirley Katz and Family

Ida Alida van der Spek, beloved

grandmother

By Mireille Klaver

Adel Shlafmitz, beloved great

grandmother

By Barb Krell

Rae Friedman, beloved grandmother

By Dianne Lipton and Family

Sam Friedman, beloved grandfather

By Dianne Lipton and Family

Ben Dorchik, beloved father

By Michael and Stephanie Dorchik

Jennie Bulshin, beloved

grandmother-in-law

By Faith Dubisky

Julius (Ziggy) Bleviss, beloved father

By Joey Bleviss

Lil Zimmerman, beloved aunt

By Joey Bleviss

Esther Rivka Glinkiewicz, beloved

mother-in-law By Louise Glin

Sophie Goldstein, beloved mother

By Ken Goldstein

David Profis, beloved husband

By Sara Profis

Doreen Lipkind Henstell, beloved aunt

By Joan and Naomi Robins

Joseph Lipkind, beloved grandfather

By Joan Robins

Bernard Bercov, beloved uncle

By Joan Robins

Eleanor Fogel, beloved mother

By Bruce & Renee Fogel

Alex Cohen, beloved grandfather

By Cheryl Cohen

Dr. David Zivot, beloved father

By Mark, Karen, Debbie, James,

Harrison and Danika

Maurice Fleishman, beloved father

By Jerol Fleishman

Mira Weinholtz, beloved mother

By Florence Shustack

Joseph Jacobson, beloved father

By Myra Meyers

Karl Gurevitch, beloved nephew

By Ralph & Shelia Gurevitch

Esta Berlind, beloved sister

By Ralph & Shelia Gurevitch

Adella Pearlman, beloved mother-in-

law

By Frances Pearlman

Benjamin Rosenbaum, beloved

brother

By Frances Pearlman

Cecil Feldman, beloved father

By Nate Feldman

Rose Shlafmitz, beloved grandmother

By Barbara Krell

Jean Kwavnick, beloved mother

By Harriette & Nat Alexander

Tula Alexander, beloved father

By Nat & Harriette Alexander

Gertie Cohen, beloved aunt

By Harriette & Nat Alexander

Murray Greenberg, beloved brother

By Paula & Eric Weil

Rose Weil, beloved mother

By Eric & Paula Weil

Joseph Smith, beloved uncle

By Stan & Carey Smith and Family

Abe Bickman, beloved father

By David Bickman

Yahrzeit Fund June Shofar

grandmother
By Darlene Switzer-Foster
Harold Barsky, beloved father
By Valerie Barsky
Sheryl (Libin) Ackman, beloved sister
By Stuart Libin
Myer Blitt, beloved father
By David, Dorian and Ilan Blitt

Lucille Newman, beloved

SPECIAL YAHRZEIT FUND

Jack Blitt, beloved brother
By Max Blitt K.C.
Elsie Polsky, beloved mother
By Jerry Polsky
Bella Chyfetz, beloved mother
By Sylvia Itzcovitch
Michael Hill Rosental, beloved
brother
By Annette Hill
Betty Gurevitch, beloved mother
By Darrell Gurevitch

Minnie Bercov, beloved mother and grandmother By Joan and Naomi Robins Lilly Robins, beloved mother-in-law and grandmother By Joan and Naomi Robins William Lobell, beloved father By Susan Lobell Polsky Celia Blitt, beloved mother By Max Blitt K.C. Beatrice Yuffe, beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother By Hart, Cita, Marilyn, Tracey, Danielle, Carrie. Dom and Families Jack Feingold, beloved husband By Sophie Feingold

KIDDUSH YAHRZEIT FUND

Rose Glow, beloved grandmother By Bert Glow Syd Glow, beloved cousin By Bert Glow



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June Shofar B"nai Mitzvah Celebrations

Mazel Tov to Our Latest B'nai Mitzvah Students!

We celebrated six b'nai mitzvah this May at Beth Tzedec. Please join us in congratulating our students and their families!



Felicity Herman Satuday, May 3



Madison Thal Satuday, May 17



Liam Shapiro Satuday, May 24





Ben Shapiro Satuday, May 24



Hannah Gawryliuk Satuday, May 31

LIFE & LEGACY June Shofar



Beth Tzedec is proud to take part in the Harold Grinspoon
Foundation LIFE & LEGACY program, coordinated locally by Calgary
Jewish Federation and the Jewish Community Foundation of
Calgary. We are working in partnership with organizations
throughout the Calgary Jewish community to raise endowment
funds through after-lifetime gifts.

Todah rabah to the following individuals and families who have generously committed to after-lifetime gifts that will support our synagogue in perpetuity:

Anonymous (6)
Judith and Christopher Baron-Bown

Sharon Batshaw

Jenny Belzberg Melissa and Daniel Blitt

Marnie and Darren Bondar

Val and Lou Bracey

Reva Faber

Maxine and Milt Fischbein

Sarah and Ben Ginzberg

Benjamin Grintuch

Cheryl and Jason Gurevitch

Sheila and Ralph Gurevitch

Susan and David Inhaber

Josh Inhaber

Russell George Jayne

Barbara Joffe

Diana Kalef and Elliott Steinberg

Barb and Ron Krell

Eddy Lang

Harriet and Phil Libin

Lily and Bill Lister

Ellen Magidson

Sahbra Markus

Jacques^{z'l} and Lila Mydlarski

Elaine and Stuart Myron

Therese Nagler

Beth and Rob Ordman

Joshua Orzech

Al Osten

Lorne Pearl

Saul Prince

Earl Raber

Kimberly Rothenberg and Leonard Seidman

Brenda and Garry Sapoznikow

Gayle Sherman

Betty Ann Sherwood

Cheryl and Bob Shiell

Deborah Shnay

Sandy Shuler

Deborah and Adam Silver

Becky and Brad Spier

Helenz^{"|} and Mark Swartz

Darlene Switzer-Foster

Ida and Sam Switzer

Mira and Joey Tappenden

Did you know?

The estimated value of LIFE & LEGACY commitments in support of Beth Tzedec's future has topped \$1.62 million and continues to grow. To date, close to \$19 million has been raised in support of organizations throughout Jewish Calgary. Regardless of your age, stage and income level, you can give a gift to the future, supporting your Shul, your community and your people.

Be remembered forever!

If you have already designated Beth Tzedec as a beneficiary in your will, trust, retirement account or life insurance policy or you would like to plan your legacy gift, please contact

Beth Tzedec President Jeffrey Dworkin at president@bethtzedec.ca or

David Inhaber at dinhaber@bethtzedec.ca.





