

## WORSHIPSCHEDULE VIRTUAL EVENTS

During the month of May, we are continuing all services and events online. We are using the application Zoom, our Facebook page, as well as our YouTube channel to stream these offerings. Each service and event will indicate which platform we are using for streaming.

FRIDAY 6/5 at 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat from our Youtube Channel. 6pm

FRIDAY 6/19 at 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat from our Youtube Channel. 6pm

SATURDAY 6/6 at 11am Shabbat Morning Service streamed live from our Youtube Channel. 11:00am

SATURDAY 6/20 at 11am Shabbat Morning Service streamed live from our Youtube Channel. 11:00am

FRIDAY 6/12 at 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat from our Youtube Channel, 6pm

FRIDAY 6/26 at 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat from our Youtube Channel, 6pm

SATURDAY 6/13 at 11am Shabbat Morning Service streamed live from our Youtube Channel, 11:00am

SATURDAY 6/27 at 11am Shabbat Morning Service streamed live from our Youtube Channel, 11:00am

Q&A Session with Rabbi Haas Tuesday, June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 1pm Access class at zoom.us/j/898299995 Password: 009694

Judaism 201 with Tim Slivinski Tuesdays, June 2, and 9 at 6:30pm Please email Tim Slivinski at tim@mickveisrael.org if you'd like to participate in any of the classes

Study Session with Rabbi Haas Wednesday June 3, 10, 17, & 2, 10:30am Access class at: zoom.us/j/91646643571 Password: 151619 Jonathan Rabb will be our quest speaker June 3rd to discuss his book "Among the Living."

Weekly Torah Study Fridays, June 5, 12, 19 & 26, 1pm Access class at zoom.us/j/898299995 Password: 009694

### Here are some tips for accessing each platform:

To access Zoom, open your computer internet browser, Type in join.zoom.us, then type in the Meeting ID and password provided in the class description. You can join the meeting via video and audio or just audio.

To access our YouTube channel, open your browser, type in youtube.com/mickveisraelsavannah or go to youtube.com and type in Mickve Israel Savannah in the search bar. Our channel will come up with a circle photo of our sanctuary on the left of the page. Click on Mickve Israel Savannah to open our channel page. Subscribe to the channel for easy future access.

To access our Facebook page, go to Facebook, type in Congregation Mickve Israel, click on our name. Our page has our address listed in the description.

If you have any questions or need technical assistance, please email Jennifer Rich at jennifer.rich@mickveisrael.org

## OF BLESSED MEMORY TZEDAKA & TIKKUN OLAM

Nicholas Busch Brother of Jenny (Josh) Shear April 3, 2020

Bruce Levison Harriet Levine's son-in-law April 7, 2020

> Frank Hoffman April 21, 2020

Jill Hunkins Castillo Sister of Steven (Larissa) Elisha April 28, 2020

> Ben Grenald Uncle of Seth Grenald May 11, 2020

Bernard (Bernie) Loev Cousin of Joel (Carol) Greenberg May 12, 2020

## MAZEL TOV

Mazel Tov to our High School Graduates! Nathan Batchelor Colette Karnibad Noah Linfoot Reid Markowitz

Mazel Tov to Zoe Levine who graduated with a Bachelor's and Master's in Finance in 4 years from Bentley University!

Mazel Tov to Dr. David Byck on celebrating his 60th birthday! Happy birthday, David!

Mazel Toy to Rabbi Saul Rubin who celebrated his 90th birthday! Happy birthday, Rabbi Rubin!

**UNION MISSION**'s Grace House is in need of hygiene products including soap, deodorant, shampoo, new men's underwear, new men's t-shirts, towels, and washcloths. We are also asking for donations of masks to keep our clients and staff safe during this time. Please drop off these items off at 107 Fahm St Savannah, Georgia 31401. Visit unionmission.org to help.

Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia is providing food to thousands of families through its Mobile Food Banks and to thousands of school children through its Grab & Go program EACH WEEK. Food banks are reporting a 46% increase in need in the last 4 weeks. Visit helpendhunger.org to help.

**Greenbriar Children's Center** provides emergency housing for abused, neglected, runaway and homeless children and young adults ages 11-21, as well as family counseling services which lead to the healthy development of children and young adults and to the strengthening of families. The organization's services include shelter services, independent living, family preservation, early childhood educational and care and Project Safe Place. During this crisis, family issues can increase and further erode safety and endanger children. Greenbriar continues its work to take care of the children who live there and the families it serves. Visit greenbriarchildrenscenter.org to help.



### Dear Pastor: A Pastor, a Priest, a Rabbi, and a Minister

Join Rabbi Haas and his clergy posse for a podcast that will try to answer all your questions Wednesday, June 3, 10, & 17 at 3:00pm Link to join is in our weekly email.

### **Unique Times**

It's been a strange time for all of us, and we've changed and transitioned in a variety of ways. A nurse recently weighed me before a doctor's appointment, and I couldn't believe that I had gained 15 pounds from my previous visit. I call it the COVID 19-15. However, the nurse just smiled at me and said, "That 15 extra pounds is just from your clothes." To which I remarked, "Yes, but I was wearing clothes last time as well."

Mazel Tov to all of our graduates, those of you graduating from graduate schools, universities, high schools, middle schools, elementary schools and preschools. We wish you all the best. We know that it's an unusual time to enter into such a transformative period in your lives, but we believe you have an wonderful set of family members and friends as well as an incredibly supportive community to assist you whenever needed.

We live in unique times, and as we continue to pray for the safety and well being of our world, we also look forward to the day when we return to the status quo of 2019, a time before we realized our world had already lived through COVID's 1-18. Yet, we also understand that we will not truly be able to return to the status quo of yesteryears, as what has occurred can not be undone. Should we fear for the future of our families and friends? Of course. That goes without saying, as we would worry about their future anyhow. However, every status quo remains the status quo for only a brief moment, before we evolve again and again. Just as our graduates now transition to a new point in their lives, we will transition into a new status quo in our world.

However, evolution is part of the process of life, and if we don't evolve according to the situation presented us, then we stagnate.

For Mickve Israel this evolution of course will unfold before our future eyes. We



will continue virtual services even after we open up the pews. We will remain a welcoming congregation, even as we add COVID 19 precautions. We will spend even more time contacting our members to see if we can assist them in any way, and we will pay extra special attention to those in need. We will become ever more inventive in our programming and invite you to participate in new ways. In fact, even now, we invite anyone who would like to participate in our services to send us videos of you reading or singing prayers in English or Hebrew. We will then play them during our virtual broadcasts. A variety of adult and child members have already given us an incredible array of prayers and readings. Thank you to all who already participated.

Yes, we enter into this new world with more than a smidgeon of trepidation, yet we also remain confident that we will evolve in ways we never imagined. There may be speed bumps or even hills to climb over, but we will remain ever vigilant in our belief that we will always evolve.

### CMI PROGRAMMING

### Shabbat Service Volunteers Requested

By Tim Slivinski

Hopefully you have been viewing and enjoying our synagogue's Saturday morning Shabbat Services on our Congregation Mickve Israel YouTube Channel during this pandemic shutdown. Rabbi Haas leads us in a full Shabbat worship experience that is spiritually fulfilling and prayerful. You may also have noticed clips of some of your fellow congregants spliced in to give the service a more community feel, much as participants helped in services when we were still gathering in our beautiful sanctuary.

This is where we need you. We would like to see more of our CMI friends taking part in the virtual

Shabbat experience. It is really quite simple. Use your phone to make of a video of yourself reciting a prayer, giving an Aliyah to the Torah ,reading the Torah or Haftarah portion in English. Then, send it off to the Rabbi. If you feel uncomfortable with the technology, Rabbi Haas has stated that he will come to you and film it for you, all while wearing a mask and maintaining social distance.

This is a great way to stay virtually involved, offer some diversity to our Shabbat worship, and help out the Rabbi and our congregation. If you are interested and willing to help, call the CMI office 912-233-1547, and we will get you started.

### A Few Updates

I hope everyone is staying healthy during our time away from each other. Before I became president, I was on the board for several years and since then we have been working to make our website better. Since last year, we have worked with Lisa Markowitz and her team as well as Michael Siegel and other congregants to improve our online visibility with tourists and others searching for things to do in Savannah. Recently, I've had friends and family call me and ask me how they can donate to our cause and also access information and buy things from our gift shop online. This is something we have discussed but not implemented. The need for us to be more of an online congregation has never been more of a priority. My new presidential initiative is to finally make our website more userfriendly for donations and paying dues as well as having e-commerce ability for our gift shop.

We now have an audio tour completed, thanks to the team of my sister Carolynne, the congregation docents, our staff, and Kerry Rosen. We can now transition this to a virtual tour of the museum.

During the closing of our building I've asked Jennifer to improve the efficiency of our gift shop. I have asked Jennifer to team with our staff to create a high holidays handbook, so everyone involved with the services and events know exactly how to prepare for them and how to implement them. They are currently working on those projects.

I am working with the public worship committee to prepare for different scenarios that may occur as we move back to in-person worship. I look forward to being with everyone and having it occur in a safe way in the future.

Charles

### Great Jewish TV Shows to Binge Under Quarantine

Looking for your new favorite TV show to binge (or, you know, to watch at an appropriate pace) while home for the long haul? Today's streaming services offers endless shows to choose from, many of them with Jewish themes.

### The Baker and the Beauty (Amazon Prime)

This romantic comedy series centers on the relationship between an international supermodel of Ashkenazi descent and a Yemenite Sephardic baker. As writer Bonnie Azoulay points out in Alma, it's also a surprising testament to the reality of Jewish diversity.

### The Goldbergs (Hulu)

With every episode set in the year of "1980-something," this show is based loosely on the real-life experiences of show creator Adam F. Goldberg's childhood and his colorful family – complete with '80s pop culture references, an overly attached Jewish mom, and hijinks galore.

### **Broad City (Hulu)**

Based on the real-life friendship of creators Abbi Jacobson and Ilana Glazer, this comedy follows two broke, Jewish millennials and their ridiculous, oftenobscene adventures and schemes while attempting to "make it" in New York City.

### **Crazy Ex-Girlfriend (Netflix)**

After a chance meeting with a former fling, lawyer Rebecca Bunch (played by Rachel Bloom) leaves behind her luxurious Manhattan lifestyle and relocates to a California suburb... where aforementioned former fling lives. Bloom, the show's co-creator, won a Golden Globe for Best Actress for her portrayal of the singing, dancing lead.

### **Grace and Frankie (Netflix)**

Modern-day acting icons Jane Fonda and Lily Tomlin star as the titular Grace and Frankie, polar opposites who have never much liked one another. When their husbands announce their love for one another, the two women begin to forge an unlikely friendship.

The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel (Amazon Prime) Jewish TV showrunner Amy Sherman-Palladino (Gilmore Girls) is behind this screwball comedy about a 1950s Manhattan housewife-turned-comedian. Maisel charms viewers with blunt, quick-witted humor, late-50s pop culture and comedy, and countless Jewish references, from brisket to Yom Kippur break-fast to Tishah B'Av in the Catskills.

### Schitt's Creek (Netflix)

When the extravagantly wealthy Rose family goes suddenly broke (thanks to a little visit from the IRS), the couple and their two spoiled, adult children move into a rundown hotel in a small town they once purchased as a joke.

### Shtisel (Netflix)

This two-season series follows family patriarch Shulem Shtisel (played by Dov Glickman), the rabbi of a yeshiva in a strict, Haredi neighborhood in Israel.

### The Spy (Netflix)

This Netflix miniseries follows the true-life exploits of Mossad secret agent Eli Cohen (played by Sacha Baron Cohen) in the years before the 1967 Six-Day War between Israel and Syria.

### HONOR DUES AS OF APRIL 24, 2020

## Thank you!

The generosity we receive does not go unnoticed. We thank everyone who supports Congregation Mickve Israel through contributions, participation, volunteerism and other means. A special thank you to those listed below who have given Honor Dues. Please consider joining this special group by giving Honor Dues in 2020.

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### WE REMEMBER THOSE WITH YAHRZEITS

Only those names with Memorial plaques are published. For information on purchasing a plaque or to request that a loved one's name be read during Shabbat services, contact Jennifer Rich at 912-233-1547, ext. 302 or jennifer.rich@mickveisrael.org

JUNE 5 & 6

Rose Brecker

Clarice S. Burkholder

Herbert Wm. (Kitty) Fishler

Lester Harris

Ellen Loebinger

Bertha Rosolio Mirsky

Isaac Heyman Oppenheim

Alan Norman Roaman

Melvin Sutker

Bessie Wolner

JUNE 12 & 13

Sue R. Solomons Aronstam

Beatrice Green Barton

R. Lester Coleman

Jerome P. Eckstein

Robert David Edwards

Samuel Meinhard Ferst

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Fannie Stern

Ruth Sternl

JUNE 19 & 20

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JUNE 26 & 27

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Lilla Myers

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## **ESSEN ESSEN BY INA KULLER Spinach Salad with Cooked Balsamic Vinaigrette**



### **INGREDIENTS:**

### FOR DRESSING

- 1/2 cup balsamic vinegar
- 1 /2 cup red wine vinegar
- 1 cup olive oil
- 2 large cloves garlic, chopped, to taste
- 1 shallot, diced fine
- 2-3 T. brown sugar, to taste
- 1/2 t. kosher salt
- 1 /2 black pepper

### FOR SALAD:

- Triple washed baby spinach
- Halved cherry tomatoes
- Diced red onion
- Sliced, white button mushrooms

### **DIRECTIONS:**

Put all ingredients for the dressing in small saucepan. Bring to light boil, then simmer on lowest heat for about 5 minutes. When cool, process in blender to combine. When ready to use, allow to come to room temperature, as it will thicken when cold.

Toss all salad ingredients and drizzle with dressing as needed; a little goes a long way. You can add cooked chicken, croutons, plain or candied nuts if you please. Enjoy!

## A 20-Second Prayer During Handwashing

BY: RABBI JOSEPH MESZLER

From reformjudaism.org

As I take up my hands to wash them and reassure my heart, I pray for healing and wholeness for the whole world. I remember that every life is unique and of infinite value: from those living on the most remote part of the globe to those in our cities to our neighbors and family members. Let me use my hands for good to help bring love and compassion to others. "Let us lift up our hearts and hands to the Eternal." (Lam 3:41)



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