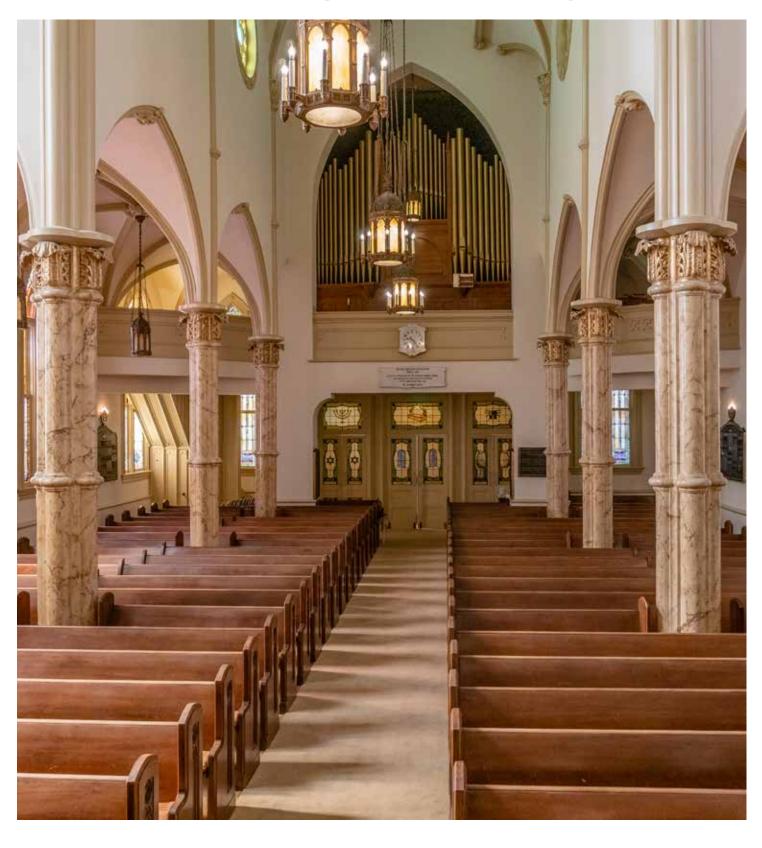
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AUGUST 14 (Order by Tuesday, August 11) MEATLOAF

with tomato-balsamic glaze, saffron rice, green peas, salad, and a cookie

AUGUST 21 (Order by Tuesday, August 18) SPICED TURKEY MEATBALLS

with tomato-coconut puree, basmati rice with lime and cilantro, green beans, salad, and a cookie

AUGUST 28 (Order by Tuesday, August 25) RIGATONI WITH SUMMER VEGETABLES

tossed with summer vegetables, olive oil, basil, and parmigiana, ceasar salad, and cookies

Cost \$20 per Shabbat Dinner For Two. Each meal will include main course, salad, side vegetables and cookies. Directions for heating your meals will be provided.

Orders must be placed by 12 pm on Tuesday. Pre-payment by credit card or by bringing a check is required. Pickup meals on Fridays between 10am and 2pm.

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

WORSHIPSCHEDULE

FRIDAY 8/7 at 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat from our Youtube Channel, 6pm

SATURDAY 8/8 at 11am
Shabbat Morning Service
streamed live from
our Youtube Channel,
11:00am

FRIDAY 8/14 at 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat from our Youtube Channel, 6pm

SATURDAY 8/15 at 11am
Shabbat Morning Service
streamed live from
our Youtube Channel,
11:00am

FRIDAY 8/21 at 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat from our Youtube Channel, 6pm

SATURDAY 8/22 at 11am
Shabbat Morning Service
streamed live from
our Youtube Channel,
11:00am

FRIDAY 8/28 at 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat from our Youtube Channel, 6pm

SATURDAY 8/29 at 11am
Shabbat Morning Service
and Ari Sinoff Bar Mitzvah
streamed live from
our Youtube Channel,
11:00am

VIRTUAL EVENTS

Rabbi Haas Interviews Tuesdays, August 4, 11, 18, & 25 at 1pm Zoom ID: 898299995 Password: 009694

Twilight Tuesdays with Tim Slivinski Tuesdays, August 11, 18 & 25 at 6:30pm Email Tim at tim@mickveisrael.org to participate in any of the classes

Study Session with Rabbi Haas Wednesdays, August 5, 12, 19, & 26 at 10:30am Zoom ID: 91646643571 Password: 151619

Weekly Torah Study with Tim Fridays, August 7, 14, 21 & 28 at 1pm Zoom ID: 898299995 Password: 009694

NEW MEMBERS

Recently moving to the Landings from Atlanta, **Jonathan Spingarn and Karen Scheib** toured Mickve Israel in January, 2020, and subsequently attended Saturday morning services and the Kiddush lunch. They greatly enjoyed the experience, the ambiance and the friendliness of our congregation and began exploring the possibility of relocating to our area.

Jonathan and Karen are retired professors, Jonathan in the Mathematics Department at Georgia Tech and Karen in Pastoral Care at the Candler School of Theology at Emory University. They are avid birders, and he is an amateur photographer and loves Italian language and Italian pop music. Karen is a knitter and a writer and both have shared that they are thoroughly enjoying living in such a beautiful place. We look forward to the day when we can all see them in person at Mickve Israel.

OF BLESSED MEMORY

Celia Levine Mother of Jack (Samantha Pogorelsky) Levine Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Samuel "Skip" Feinstein Father of Jessica (Mark) Lebos Grandfather of Abraham and Liberty Lebos June 24, 2020

Patience Is A Virtue

"Life is a marathon not a sprint," a phrase we've uttered time and again. Waiting for a promotion is a marathon, not a sprint. Completing college is a marathon not a sprint. Driving 3 miles along a two-lane road behind several slow vehicles in Savannah is a marathon, not a sprint. Running 26.2 miles is literally a marathon, not a sprint. Surviving COVID-19 is a marathon, not a sprint. Even though this actual phrase remains a recent one, patience has always been a Jewish virtue.

Joseph showed patience with his brothers when meeting them again over 20 years after they sold him into slavery in Egypt. In Ecclesiastes we read, "The end of a matter is better than the beginning of it, better a patient spirit than a haughty spirit. Don't let your spirit be quickly vexed, for vexation abides in the breast of fools" (Eccles. 7:8–9). When an Israeli holds up a hand with the palm facing himself and the outside of the hand facing you, while gently waving it back and forth, he's not insulting you.....even though it certainly appears to be a flippant gesture. He's simply asking you to please be patient, "Savlanut."

While the great sage, Rashi, implores us to remain calm if the road becomes "unsteady," Rabbi Reuven Firestone, one of my professors in rabbinical school, teaches us that "learning to have patience in God helps us to find the fortitude to deliver ourselves and our fellows from the evils that seem to be an inherent part of real life" (HUC Chronicle, #60, 2002).

I know even the most patient of us probably finds him or herself struggling today. Proverbs and stories may remind us of the stress Judaism has always placed on Savlanut, yet we understand that even though a marathon ends, our bodies, minds, and souls acutely feel the strain of every waking step. As we prepare for what will be the first virtual High Holidays for many of us, may we continue to lean on and reach out to our family, friends and community. May we seek creative ways to alleviate the strains placed upon us during this pandemic. May we make the best decisions possible in every particular moment.

Yes, even though we know "Patience is a virtue," we all wish we needn't be so virtuous today. I pray that all of us will find the support we need to endure this period of our lives and that we all understand that our friends, family, community are here for us. Please call on us when you need assistance. May we all remain safe and healthy in the coming months.

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We Are Here For You

As the dog days of summer and covid-19 continue, We are here for you. The Rabbi is available by phone, zoom or email if you have any questions, concerns or would just like to talk. The staff is in the office Monday through Friday for assistance and to address questions, or if you'd like to chat. I am available to help with technical issues or questions that arise about each week's classes, services or any other concerns or questions you may have, or if you would like to just chat!

We hope that you are taking part in our classes each week and attending services. Check the schedule at the beginning of the Contact, please attend and give us feedback. Rabbi will continue his courses online, as will Tim, and both are open to suggestions! If there's something you'd like to learn about – please let us know! Please note that all our classes and services are included in our growing library of content on our YouTube channel. These are available 24/7 so you watch when we're live or when it's convenient. Just go to Youtube.com/mickveisraelsavannah

The pivot online has resulted in a plethora of online Judaic learning, cultural and entertainment becoming available from all over our diverse Jewish world. I have never seen such a high level of innovation and accessibility of Jewish content! Some examples:

- Our Reform movement has incredible virtual programming from congregations across our nation and including everything from Guided meditation to Talmud text study and virtual town halls and speaking engagements. (reformjudaism.org)
- My Jewish Learning is teaching a Daf Yomi class

- whereby you can join with others around the world in studying a single page of the Babylonian Talmud every day or you can discover more about Jewish History, art, culture and food from around the Jewish world. (myjewishlearning.com)
- A new global Jewish community has formed, called Jew It at Home. It includes access to "live Jewish content from around the world." (Jewitathome.com)
- During this time of unrest and intense discourse, you may want to be part of the Reform movement's Religious Action Center (RAC) and get involved with the Every Voice, Every Vote 2020 Civic Engagement Campaign or get involved with advocacy efforts through RAC's Legislative Action Center. (rac.org)

In addition to these organizational sites, every Monday's CMI E-news will continue to include our class schedule and links to other special offerings online. Every Thursday's CMI E-news includes class info, Shabbat services information. Both emails also include special announcements and important information to keep you up-to-date and informed.

Lastly, keep an eye out for our High Holy Day Brochure that will be arriving in your mailbox in early August. The brochure will include the entire virtual High Holy Day schedule, information for obtaining prayer books (electronic and physical copies), technical information for viewing all our services and more. High Holy Days will be different this year, but please know that every effort is being put forth to ensure that they will be very special and meaningful.

I wish you all good health and safety and please remember... We are here for you!



Mazel Tov to Melanie & Walter Biner on the birth of their baby boy, Jonah Benjamin Biner, born on Thursday, July 23rd.



Mazel Tov to Brooke & Stuart Halpern on the birth of their baby boy, Bennett Houdini Halpern, born on Thursday, July 23rd

FDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The High Holy Days - A Closer Look

By Tim Slivinski

The High Holy Days are the most significant days of worship on the Jewish calendar. Special traditions abound in families as they celebrate Rosh Hashanah and gather for Yom Kippur. The liturgy in the synagogue is filled with different prayers, unique music, and exalted themes. Unlike Shabbat, which we are familiar with because we celebrate it weekly, these important days come around once every year so we do not have the time to develop the same familiarity with all that makes them special.

So, let's takes some time to look more deeply at what these days mean and to help us enjoy the richness of these holy days.

Join me for a series of three Tuesday evening Zoom classes as we delve into the High Holy Days for a closer look. We will examine the significance behind the Days of Awe: the meaning, the traditions, the liturgy, the music.

August 11, 2020 - Selichot

August 18, 2020 – Rosh Hashanah

August 25, 2020 – Yom Kippur

All sessions will meet via Zoom from 6:30pm until 8:00pm. Please email Tim at tim@mickveisrael.org to register for the class or for more information. Class outlines, handouts, and Zoom links will be emailed on the Monday prior to each class.

Essen Essen By Ina Kuller Sticky Asian BBQ Chicken Wings

INGREDIENTS:

- 12-16 Chicken wings
- 1/2 cup Hoison Sauce
- 1/4 cup light soy
- 2 tbsp white sugar
- 2 tbsp honey
- 2. tbsp sesame oil
- 2-3 tbsp grated or finely chopped ginger
- 1 tbsp grated or finely chopped garlic
- 1/2 cup rice vinegar
- 4 green onions, chopped small; separate white and green parts. reserve green part for garnish
- 8 oz. jar of sweet n' sour or duck sauce
- 4 tbsp un-toasted sesame seeds

DIRECTIONS:

Cut off the nonedible tips of wings and discard. Combine first 8 ingredients (+ white part of green onion) in zipper type bag, add wings, making sure wings are well coated. Set on dish and hold in



refrigerator for 24- 48 hours. Remove wings from marinade (reserve marinade and set aside), and set wings in Pyrex type baking dish in single layer. Cover with foil and bake in 350 ° oven for about 45 minutes, depending upon size of wings. While wings are baking, reduce marinade in small saucepan until half the volume remains. Add equal part sweet and sour sauce or duck sauce to make an Asian bbg sauce.

Do not turn off oven, but rather turn on 'hi' broil and set oven rack on highest level.

Transfer bbq sauce to medium size bowl and toss cooked wings to coat. Cover sheet pan with heavy duty foil. Put wings on foil lined sheet curved side up and sprinkle with sesame seeds. Once broiler is very hot, set sheet pan under flame and allow wings to caramelize on the top side for several minutes. Keep an eye on them so sesame seeds do not burn. They will be screaming hot when done. Garnish with chopped green onion and enjoy.

HISTORY AND HERITAGE

Instrumental Music Arrives in American Jewish Worship A Bi-Centennial Anniversary

By Herbert Victor

Musical instruments were often used in Biblical worship, ancient through the Temple periods. The Bible and archaeological evidence show Biblical worship replete with lyres, drums, horns, harps, cymbals, among other musical instruments, and during the Temple era, even an organ-like instrument. Nevertheless, after the destruction of the Second Temple, other than blowing of the shofar during the High Holy Days and, in some places and times at weddings, musical instrumentation (especially

organ music) rarely has been utilized in traditional Jewish houses of worship for almost 2000 years.

In 1819. several members of Congregation Mickve Israel attended dedication the Independent of Presbyterian Church, a building located on the site of the current church, the southwest corner of Bull Street Oglethorpe and Avenue (then known as South Broad), directly Oglethorpe across from Savannah's first

Jewish cemetery. They were wowed by the impressive organ music led by Lowell Mason, the church organist and choirmaster, eventually a world-renowned composer of Christian hymns.

The construction and dedication of Mickve Israel's first sanctuary, built on the northeast corner of Whitaker Street and Perry Lane (in the sidewalk on the northeast corner of Whitaker and Liberty Streets is a historical marker), was to take place several months later. Despite Jewish tradition, several congregants who attended the church dedication convinced other Mickve Israel congregants and leadership of the impressive music and that Mickve Israel should include instrumental music into its own dedication service.

According to congregational minutes:

"Psalms were selected for the occasion and sung accompanied by an organ, during the seven times that the Sepharim (Torah scrolls) were carried around the Taba (central altar)."

Independent Presbyterian's minister, Dr. Henry Kollock, loaned the church's reed parlor organ, and Lowell Mason provided the music. The Friday evening dedication service of Mickve Israel's first sanctuary (held either immediately before or during the Shabbat service) was the first recorded use of an organ in a Jewish house

of worship in America.

Although an organ was not a regular fixture at Mickve Israel until years later, two hundred years ago, on July 21, 1820 Mickve Israel made Jewish American history! Thus, the slow trek to reform at Mickve Israel began.

Resources:

"Third to None" by Rabbi Saul Jacob Rubin

"History of Our Pipe Organ" submitted by Art Schlueter

"The Organs of

Congregation Mickve Israel" condensed from "Organs of Savannah: An Account of Organs in the Historic District of Savannah" by William B. Clarke, Jr.

After our building re-opens, Mickve Israel's History and Heritage Committee welcomes you to explore our Gutstein Museum, sanctuary, and Slany Torah exhibit to learn more about our congregation's story as well as Savannah and American history.

Until then, we encourage all to take advantage of the numerous online educational opportunities offered by many Jewish and Savannah historical and cultural sites, including an anticipated sanctuary and museum tour that is now live on the Mickve Israel website.



Join us Virtually @ CMI

Our Weekly classes will be streamed through our Youtube page or you can join us via Zoom. Our Shabbat Services will be streamed live through our Youtube Channel at youtube.com/mickveisraelsavannah.

TUES

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FRI

Weekly Torah Study
August 7, 14, 21 & 28 at 1pm
Zoom ID: 898299995
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SAT

Kabbalat Shabbat Live on our Youtube Channel August 7, 14, 21 & 28 at 6pm



Shabbat Morning Service Live on our Youtube Channel August 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 at 11am

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

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at The Breman Museum



Hannah Reisman Kelly

ATLANTA'S OLD
JEWISH NEIGHBORHOOD
DATE | July 10 at 10:00 AM
LOCATION | ZOOM | RSVP required
COST | Freel



THE FIRST JEWS IN GEORGIA DATE | July 24 at 10:00 AM LOCATION | ZOOM | RSVP required COST | Free



WEATHERING THE STORM: Rabbi's Responses in Times of Crisis DATE | Aug 6 at 10:00 AM LOCATION | ZOOM | RSVP required COST | Free



JEWS OF FLORIDA: Centuries of Stories DATE | Aug 20 at 10:00 AM LOCATION | ZOOM | RSVP required COST | Free

SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES

Join us at four live Zoom conversations on Southern Jewish history this summer presented by The Breman Museum in partnership with the Savannah Jewish Federation, Savannah Jewish Educational Alliance, and the Southern Jewish Historical Society. To learn more and RSVP, visit: thebreman.org/Events

Savannah Jewish Archives in the Time of COVID-19

Despite the public health crisis closing the doors to the museum, we are still hard at work making content from the Savannah Jewish Archives available to the world. Thanks to the generous support from the Breman Foundation, the archives are transitioning the collection catalog system to ArchivesSpace.

A soft launch of the new system can be accessed here: https://archivesspace.thebreman.org/

Any questions about the Savannah Jewish Archives? Contact us at Iresnick@thebreman.org or jrkatz@thebreman.org.

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It's time to place your orders for the sweetest of all **Rosh Hashanah** greetings sent to your family, friends and business associates.

Honey sales is a contact-free fundraiser

Your Mickve Israel Sisterhood has a lovely way to help celebrate the start of the New Year -- send them a jar of Sisterhood's honey! No going to a store. No standing in line at a Post Office. Let ORT Atlanta do it for you and help Sisterhood and Mickve Israel in the process.





Cost is \$12 per jar plus \$5.50 shipping per jar, which includes a festive 8-ounce jar of kosher clover honey, a special note, the blessing for apples and honey, and a personalized note from you. Your lucky recipients will just add apples!

Your individual gift package is shipped by ORT Atlanta, arriving in time for Rosh Hashanah on September 19, 2020.

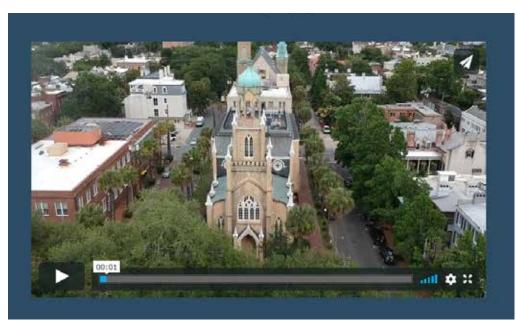
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Mickve Israel Virtual Tour



This virtual tour of our sanctuary and museum was created to help you discover our incredible story. We hope you will come back when we re-open and can enjoy our beautiful sanctuary and museum in person. We appreciate your understanding and collective efforts to keep all communities safe. In the meantime, have a great tour!

You can take a virtual tour by visiting mickveisrael.org or go to cmitour.org.

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