

SHABBAT PROGRAM

NOVEMBER 20-21, 2020 / 5 KISLEV 5781
PARSHAT TOLDOT
TRANS DAY OF REMEMBRANCE
CRRRI ALUMNI SHABBAT

הקל קול יַעֲקֹב וְהַיָּדִים יְדֵי עֵשָׂו.

“The voice is the voice of Jacob, yet the hands are the hands of Esau.”
(Genesis 27:22)

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“The CBST community knows what it takes to live through a plague. Love and compassion and support are at the center of survival. Remember to be kind and generous while being cautious and vigilant about staying healthy and keeping others safe. We will continue being a powerful spiritual community of resistance and love. May the Holy One surround you and your loved ones and give you strength and comfort as we face the uncertainty of the times we are in. Be the reason people have faith in the goodness of others.” —**Rabbi Sharon Kleinbaum**

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OPENING PRAYERS AND MEDITATIONS **הַקְנַת הַלֵּב**

Prelude	נגון	Nigun	Chassidic
34	יָדִיד נֶפֶשׁ	Y'did Nefesh	Sarah and Ehud Zweig
38	הַדִּלְקַת נֵרוֹת שֶׁל שַׁבָּת	Candle Blessings	Abraham Wolf Binder (1895-1967)
40	שָׁלוֹם עָלֵיכֶם	Shalom Aleichem	Israel Goldfarb (1879-1956)

KABBALAT SHABBAT / WELCOMING SHABBAT **קַבְלַת שַׁבָּת**

52	אַרְבָּעִים שָׁנָה (תהלים צה)	Arba'im Shanah (Psalm 95)	Yoel Sykes (Born 1986)
54	יִשְׁמְחוּ הַשָּׁמַיִם (תהלים צו)	Yism'chu Hashamayim (Psalm 96)	Craig Taubman (Born 1958)
62	מִזְמוֹר לְדָוִד (תהלים כט)	Mizmor L'David (Psalm 29)	Shlomo Carlebach (1926-1994)
64	אָנָּה בְּכָה	Ana B'choach	Ovadia Hamama (Born 1964)
66	לִכְּה דוּדִי	L'chah Dodi (Shlomo Alkabetz) from June 2019	Kehillat Tsion (Jerusalem)* Kol Haneshamah Synagogue
72	מִזְמוֹר שִׁיר (תהלים צב)	Mizmor Shir (Psalm 92)	Shlomo Carlebach (1926-1994) Nathan Lamm (Born 1946)

MA'ARIV / THE EVENING SERVICE **מַעְרִיב**

78	בָּרְכוּ	Bar'chu	Nusach
80	הַמַּעְרִיבָה עֲרָבִים	Hama'ariveh Aravim	Nusach
86-87	אֶהְבֶּת עוֹלָם	We Are Loved/Ahavat Olam	Shir Ya'akov Feinstein-Feit (Born 1978)
88	שִׁמְעֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל	Sh'ma Yisrael	Salomon Sulzer (1804-1890)
89	וְאֶהְבֶּתָּ	V'ahavta	Torah Cantillation (Trobe)
94	מִי כַמֹּכָה	Mi Chamochah	Dan Nichols (Born 1969)
Program	הַשְׁכִּיבֵנוּ	Hashkiveinu	Yoshi Zweiback (Born 1969)
102	וְשִׁמְרוּ	V'shamru	Dan Singer (Born 1974)
104	חֲצִי קָדִישׁ	Chatsi Kaddish	Nusach
106	עֲמִידָה	Silent Amidah	
103	לְמַדֵּינִי	Lamdeini	Benjie-Ellen Schiller (Born 1958) Text: Leah Goldberg
130	תְּפִלָּה לְרִפּוּאָה	Prayer for Healing	
Program	אֵל-נָא רַפָּא נָא	El Na R'fa Na	Will Robertson (born 1977)
Program	תְּפִלַּת הַרְפּוּאִימוּת	Prayer for Healers	
Program	תְּפִלָּה לְמַדֵּינָה	Prayer for Our Country	
138	קָדִישׁ שָׁלֵם	Kaddish Shalem	Nusach

GUEST DRASHAH: RABBI LAUREN GRABELLE HERRMANN

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

סִימָן הַתְּפִלָּה

140	עֲלֵינוּ	Aleinu	Salomon Sulzer (1804-1890)
150	קָדִישׁ יְתוֹם	Mourner's Kaddish	
Program		Do Not Stand At My Grave	Music: Howard Goodall (born 1958) Text: Mary Elizabeth Frye

ANNOUNCEMENTS: SABRINA FARBER

Program	יִבְרַכְךָ (בְּרַכַּת הַבוֹהֲנִים)	Y'varech'cheh –	Ze'evi Berman (born 1992)
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COMPOSER FEATURE

Shir Yaakov Feit lives in New York's Hudson Valley, where he leads the Kol Hai Jewish Renewal Community. He has recorded and released four albums of original music, and co-founded and performs with The Darshan Project. Shir Yaakov has served as Creative and Music Director for Romemu, New York City's largest Renewal synagogue; Director of Engagement at ALEPH: Alliance for Jewish Renewal; ritual consultant for Eden Village Camp; and visiting faculty at Hebrew College and the Academy for Jewish Religion-NY. He is a rabbinical student in the ALEPH Ordination Program. His song "Brokenhearted" won the Jewish Daily Forward's 2016 "Soundtrack of Our Spirit" songwriting contest.

A season is set for everything, a time for every experience under heaven:
a time for weeping; a time for laughing;
a time for planting; a time for uprooting the planted;
a time for keeping; a time for letting go;
a time for the status quo; a time for change;
a time to have expectations; a time to reset those expectations;
a time for following an expected path; a time for creating a new path;
a time to rejoice in a birth; a time to learn to love a new life;
a time for loving; a time for loving even more.
Blessed are you, Merciful One, Sovereign of the universe, who changes times and seasons.

— Lisa Levy

הַשְׁכִּיבֵנוּ / Hashkiveinu

Music by Rabbi Yoshi Zweiback
"Shelter Us" music and original lyrics by Larry Jonas

הַשְׁכִּיבֵנוּ ה' אֵלֵינוּ לְשָׁלוֹם, וְהַעֲמִידֵנוּ מַלְכֵנוּ לְחַיִּים וּפְרוֹשׁ עָלֵינוּ סֶכֶת שְׁלוֹמָךְ. אָמֵן

Hashkiveinu Adonai eloheinu l'shalom, v'ha-amideinu malkeinu l'hayim.
Ufros aleinu sukat sh'lomecha. Amen.

Shelter us beneath thy wings, O Adonai;
Guard us from all harmful things, O Adonai;
Keep us safe throughout the night,
Till we wake with morning's light,
Teach us, God, wrong from right. Amen.

א-ל נא רפא נא

א-ל נא רפא נא מקור החיים הבינו לחיים

El Na R'fanah, m'kor hachayim, haveinu l'chayim

God, heal please - source of life - bring us to life.

A Transgender Day of Remembrance *Yizkor*: Those Who Died in the Sanctification of Their Names

By Ariel Zitny

God full of compassion, remember those whose souls were taken in transphobic violence. People who reflected the tremendous multitudinous splendor of your creations, who illustrated your vastness through the ever-expanding variations of being *b'tzelem Elohim*, made in your image. Source of mercy, provide them the true shelter and peace that they deserved in this world.

We remember that their deaths were caused by hatred in our society. It is upon us to repair this brokenness in our world. May we have the strength to sanction justice, speedily and in our days.

For those who died by murder, we remember them. For those who died by suicide, we remember them. We remember their names, their true names, for it is those names that will forever be a blessing.

Nurturing one, comfort all who are mourning. Grant them healing in their hardship.

And let us say: *Amen*.

Do Not Stand at My Grave

Music by Howard Goodall

Poem by Mary Elizabeth Frye

Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there, I do not sleep
I am a thousand winds that blow
I am the softly falling snow

I am the gentle showers of rain
I am the field of ripening grain
I am in the morning hush
I am in the grateful rush

of far off birds in circling flight
I am the starshine of the night
I am in every flower that blooms
I am in still and empty rooms
I am the child that yearns to sing
I am in each lovely thing

Do not stand at my grave and fear
I am not there, I'm with you here

Y'verech'ch eh – A Blessing for Trans Jews of Many Genders

Music: Ze'evi Berman

Text: adapted from the Priestly Benediction using the grammatical system of Lior Gross:

nonbinaryhebrew.com

Y'verech'ch eh Adonai v'yishm'rech eh Ya'eir Adonai panav eilech eh vichunekeh Yisa Adonai panav eilech eh v'yaseim l'ch eh shalom	יְבָרֵךְ ה' וְיִשְׁמְרֵךְ יָאֵר ה' פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וִיחַנֶּךָ יִשָּׂא ה' פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וְיִשֶּׂם לְךָ שְׁלוֹם
May God bless you and keep you May God's light shine upon you, and may God be gracious to you May you feel God's presence within you always, and may you find peace	

This Week's Shabbat Services

Friday, Nov. 20 / 5 Kislev Kabbalat Shabbat, 6:30 pm Trans Day of Remembrance CRR I Alumni Shabbat <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Ba'aleh Tefillah</i>: Ze'evi Berman• <i>Service Leader</i>: Rabbi Sharon Kleinbaum• <i>Guest Drashah</i>: Rabbi Lauren Grabelle Herrmann <p>Through gifts from generous donors, CBST's Friday Night Prayerbook is now available for online purchase at reduced price.</p>	Saturday, Nov. 21 / 5 Kislev Shabbat Morning—Traditional Egalitarian Minyan, 9:30 am; Zoom link here <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Ba'alei Tefillah</i>: Cantorial Intern Sam Rosen, Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Fellow Deborah Megdal• <i>D'var Torah</i>: Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Fellow Deborah Megdal <p>Havdalah, 8 pm; Zoom link here<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Service Leader</i>: Cantorial Intern Sam Rosen</p>
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Friday 11/20, following Shabbat services, there will be a Get-To-Know-CBST Zoom Oneg with Rabbi Rapport and the CBST Hospitality Team, for those who are new to our community! RSVP at bit.ly/OnegNov20.

Guest Drashah: Rabbi Lauren Grabelle Herrmann
2003/04 Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern



Rabbi Lauren is the rabbi of SAJ-Judaism that Stands for All, also known historically as Society for The Advancement of Judaism, the first Reconstructionist synagogue. Rabbi Lauren's rabbinate has been driven by a desire to create inclusive Jewish communities of meaning, where a sense of belonging and community commitment are palpable, and by a passion for the integration of Judaism and justice.

Before coming to SAJ, Rabbi Lauren was the founder of Kol Tzedek, an inclusive, dynamic social justice centered synagogue in West Philadelphia. She graduated in 2006 from The Reconstructionist Rabbinical College.

She is a proud alumna of the Cooperberg Rittmaster Rabbinical Internship, and the Jewish Organizing Initiative and Network. She is active in JFREJ, T'ruah, and The New Sanctuary Committee.

Rabbi Lauren lives in NYC with her husband Jon and her children Niko and Nativ.

Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Internship Program

The Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Internship Program was established in 1994 by a gift by William Fern (renewed in 2000) in honor of fellow long-time CBST members and gay activists Irving Cooperberg, z"l, and Louis Rittmaster.

By the 1990s, gay synagogues and *havurot* were an established—if sometimes controversial—feature of the American Jewish landscape. Out gay Jews were officially welcomed—albeit still with some reservations—by the Reform, Reconstructionist, and Conservative movements. In 1985, New York's Beth Am Synagogue began an aggressive outreach program for gay and lesbian congregants, and other liberal urban synagogues soon followed suit. But there was still no gay-oriented rabbinical training, and out rabbis were still relatively rare—gay synagogues were hiring heterosexual as well as gay and lesbian rabbis. The result was a daunting “on-the-job training” that was often difficult for the rabbis as well as their gay congregants, all the more so in the face of the acute and unique demands for pastoral care resulting from the AIDS epidemic in the gay community.

In 1994, a gift by William Fern (renewed in 2000) in honor of fellow long-time CBST members and gay activists Irving Cooperberg, z"l, and Louis Rittmaster, enabled CBST to establish the first rabbinical internships at a gay synagogue. Now in its twenty-sixth year, the CBST Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Internship program brings two students to CBST each academic year. They work directly under the supervision of Rabbi Kleinbaum, supporting CBST's diverse minyanim, leading services, preparing *drashot* (sermons), teaching in CBST's Lehrhaus Judaica adult education program, providing pastoral counseling to CBST's members, and generally assisting with the operation of the synagogue.

Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Interns are selected without regard to gender, sexual orientation, ethnicity, age, or movement affiliation (CBST itself is unaffiliated), and have

included gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and heterosexual men and women rabbinical students, ranging in age from mid-twenties to mid-forties, from all varieties of Jewish background—a diversity comparable to the diversity of CBST itself. Upon ordination, they carry their unique—and intense! —CBST experience to their work as congregational rabbis, chaplains, counselors, and community and social activists throughout the United States.

CBST's first Assistant Rabbi, Rabbi Roderick Young, was twice a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern; as were former Associate Rabbis, Rabbi Rachel Weiss and Rabbi Ayelet S. Cohen, who as well as being formerly CBST's Associate Rabbi, now serves as a pastoral consultant and is the author of "Changing Lives, Making History", a ground-breaking resource which tells the history and stories of our community.

The Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Internships have also been highly successful in terms of the contributions made by the interns to the life of the synagogue, the impact of the experience on the interns' careers, and the number of rabbis (40 as of 2020) which the program has delivered to the Jewish community who are able to deal positively with the needs of gay congregants and who have experienced the potential of the liberal synagogue to be a dynamic center of an intensely Jewish way of life.

Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Interns 1994-2021

1994/95

Rabbi David Steinberg

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '97)

Rabbi Steinberg is the rabbi at Temple Israel in Duluth, MN.

1995/96

Rabbi Sara Paasche-Orlow

(Jewish Theological Seminary, '96)

Rabbi Paasche-Orlow is Director of Religious and Chaplaincy Services at Hebrew Senior Life in Roslindale, MA.

Rabbi Lina Zerbarini

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '97)

Rabbi Zerbarini is the Rabbi at Kehillath Shalom Synagogue, Cold Spring Harbor-Huntington, NY.

1996/97

Rabbi Roderick Young

(Hebrew Union College- Jewish Institute of Religion, '99)

Rabbi Young was Assistant Rabbi at CBST from August 1999 - July 2002. Rabbi Young is the former Principal Rabbi of Finchley Reform Synagogue in London.

Rabbi Joshua Lesser

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '99)

Rabbi Lesser is the rabbi at Congregation Bet Haverim, A Reconstructionist Synagogue Founded for Lesbians and Gay Men, Embracing All Jews and Loved Ones in Atlanta, GA.

1997/98

Rabbi Elisa Goldberg

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '99)

Rabbi Goldberg is the Director of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association's Office of Rabbinic Career Development.

Rabbi Dan Judson

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, '98)

Rabbi Judson is the Director of Professional Development and Placement at Hebrew College's Rabbinical School in Massachusetts.

1998/99

Rabbi Edythe Held-Mencher, LCSW

(Hebrew Union College- Jewish Institute of Religion, '99)

Rabbi Mencher serves as a specialist at the Union for Reform Judaism, offering consultation to congregations, lay leaders, educators and clergy on creating caring communities that address the concerns of individuals and families. Rabbi Mencher also writes for Reform Judaism Magazine.

Rabbi Roderick Young

Rabbi Young was also a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern in 1996/97.

1999/00

Rabbi Rachel Gartner

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '02)

Rabbi Gartner is the Director of Jewish Chaplaincy at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

Rabbi Mychal Copeland

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '00)

Rabbi Copeland is the Rabbi at Congregation Sha'ar Zahav in San Francisco.

2000/01

Rabbi Ayelet Cohen

(Jewish Theological Seminary, '02)

Rabbi Cohen is the Senior Director, NY / Tri-State Region at the New Israel Fund. She was CBST's Associate Rabbi from August 2002 – June 2010, and is the author of Changing Lives, Making History: CBST, the First 40 Years.

Rabbi David Dunn Bauer

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '03)

Rabbi Bauer was CBST's Director of Social Justice Programming. Rabbi Bauer has a private practice in Queer Spiritual Counseling and is Contract Chaplain at SCI-Phoenix.

2001/02

Rabbi Ayelet Cohen

Rabbi Cohen was also Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern in 2000/01.

Rabbi Tracy Nathan

(Jewish Theological Seminary, '03)

Rabbi Nathan is the Senior Educator at Center for Jewish Learning at the Jewish Federation of St. Louis.

2002/03

Rabbi Ryan Dulkan

(Jewish Theological Seminary, '04)

Rabbi Dulkan is Senior Jewish Educator and Campus Rabbi at Minnesota Hillel.

Rabbi Darren Levine

(Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, '03)

Rabbi Levine is the founder and Rabbi of Tamid in New York City.

2003/04**Rabbi Lauren Grabelle Herrmann**

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '06)

Rabbi Grabelle Herrmann is the Rabbi at Society for Advancement of Judaism in New York City.

Rabbi Michael Rothbaum

(Academy of Jewish Religion, '06)

Rabbi Rothbaum is the Rabbi at Congregation Beth Elohim in Acton, Massachusetts.

2004/05**Rabbi Ruth Gelfarb**

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, '07)

Rabbi Gelfarb is a Rabbi, Family School Director, and Adult Education Coordinator at Congregation Har HaShem, in Boulder, CO.

Rabbi Darby Jared Leigh

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '08)

Rabbi Leigh is the Rabbi of Congregation Kerem Shalom in Concord, MA.

2005/06**Rabbi Darby Jared Leigh**

Rabbi Leigh was also Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern in 2004/05.

Rabbi Reuben Zellman

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, '10)

Rabbi Zellman is the Assistant Rabbi and Music Director at Congregation Beth El, in Berkeley, CA.

2006/07**Rabbi Rachel Kahn-Troster**

(Jewish Theological Seminary '08)

Rabbi Kahn-Troster is the Director of Programs for T'ruah: The Rabbinic Call for Human Rights.

Rabbi Rachel Weiss

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '09)

Rabbi Weiss was CBST's Associate Rabbi from August 2010 to July 2016. She is rabbi at Jewish Reconstructionist Congregation of Evanston, Illinois.

2007/08**Ben Davis**

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College)

Rabbi Rachel Weiss

Rabbi Weiss was also a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical intern 2006/07.

2008/09**Rabbi Cecelia Beyer**

(Jewish Theological Seminary, '10)

Rabbi Beyer is one of the rabbis at Temple Sholom in Bridgewater, NJ.

Rabbi Melissa Simon

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, '10)

Rabbi Simon is the Senior Jewish Educator at North Carolina Hillel.

2009/10**Rabbi Melissa Simon**

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, '10)

Rabbi Simon was also a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern in 2008/09.

2010/11**Rabbi Ari Lev Fornari**

(Hebrew College, '14)

Rabbi Fornari is the Rabbi of Kol Tzedek Synagogue in Philadelphia.

Rabbi Yosef Goldman

(Jewish Theological Seminary, '13)

Rabbi Goldman is the Assistant Rabbi at Temple Beth Zion-Beth Israel (BZBI) in Philadelphia, PA.

2011/12**Rabbi Guy Austrian**

(Jewish Theological Seminary, '13)

Rabbi Austrian is the rabbi of the Fort Tryon Jewish Center in Washington Heights, New York.

Rabbi Ari Lev Fornari

(Hebrew College '14)

Rabbi Fornari was also a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern in 2010.

2012/13**Rabbi Jason Bonder**

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College '15)

Rabbi Bonder is a rabbi at Temple Emanuel of Tempe, Arizona.

Rabbi Margot Meitner, LCSW

(Hebrew College '14)

Rabbi Meitner is a Boston-based psychotherapist.

2013/14**Rabbi Mikie Goldstein**

(Jewish Theological Seminary '14)

Rabbi Goldstein is the rabbi of Adat Shalom Emanuel in Rehovot, Israel.

Rabbi Ruhi Sophia Motzkin Rubenstein

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College '15)

Rabbi Motzkin Rubenstein is the rabbi of Temple Beth Israel in Eugene, Oregon.

2014/15**Rabbi Elana Friedman**

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College '15)

Rabbi Friedman is the Campus Rabbi of the Jewish Life at Duke University.

Rabbi Ruhi Sophia Motzkin Rubenstein

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College '15)

Rabbi Motzkin Rubenstein was also an intern in 2014.

2015/16

Rabbi Georgette Kennebrae

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '17)

Rabbi Kennebrae is the Rabbi at Mikvé Israel-Emanuel in Curaçao; the oldest continuously running synagogue in the Western Hemisphere.

Rabbi Alex Weissman

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '17)

Rabbi Weissman is the Rabbi at Congregation Agudas Achim in Attleboro, MA and Rabbinic Organizer at T'ruah, The Rabbinic call for Human Rights.

2016/17

Rabbi Ayalon Eliach

(Hebrew College, '18)

Rabbi Eliach is the Director of Learning and Strategic Communications at the Lippman Kanfer Foundation in New York City.

Rabbi Georgette Kennebrae

(Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, '17)

Rabbi Kennebrae was also an intern in 2015.

2017/18

Rabbi Ayalon Eliach

(Hebrew College '18)

Rabbi Eliach was also a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern 2016-17.

Rabbi Steven Philp

(Jewish Theological Seminary '19)

Rabbi Philp is a Rabbinic Fellow at Park Avenue Synagogue in New York.

2018/19

Deborah Megdal

(Jewish Theological Seminary '21)

Rabbi Steven Philp

(Jewish Theological Seminary '19)

Rabbi Philp was also a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern 2017-18.

2019/20

Rabbi Atara Cohen

(Yeshivat Maharat '20)

Teaches Torah Shebeal Peh to seventh graders at Heschel in New York City.

Benjamin Dyme

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion '21)

Deborah Megdal

(Jewish Theological Seminary '21)

Deborah was also a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern 2018-19.

2020/21

Deborah Megdal

(Jewish Theological Seminary '21)

Deborah was also a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern 2018-19 and 2019-20. She is CBST's Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinic Fellow this year.

David Yedid

(Jewish Theological Seminary '22)

Cantorial Interns 2004-2017

2004/05

Cantor Daniel Singer

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music, '05)

Cantor Singer is the cantor at Stephen Wise Free Synagogue in New York City.

Cantor Dan Sklar

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music, '06)

Cantor Sklar was our Summer Intern for 2004. He is the cantor at Temple Israel in Westport, CT.

2005/06

Cantor David Berger

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music, '07)

Cantor Berger became CBST's first Cantor in the Fall of 2007. Cantor Berger is now the Cantor at KAM Isaiah Israel Congregation in Chicago, IL.

2006/07

Cantor David Berger

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music, '07)

Cantor Berger was also the Cantorial Intern in 2005.

2009/10

Cantor Jason Kaufman

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music, '10)

Cantor Kaufman serves as the Cantor at Beth El Hebrew Congregation in Arlington, VA.

2010/11

Cantor Magda Fishman

(Jewish Theological Seminary, '11)

Cantor Fishman serves as the Senior Cantor at B'nai Torah Congregation in Boca Raton, FL.

2011/15

Cantorial Soloist Re'ut Ben-Ze'ev

2014/15

Cantor Vladimir Lapin

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music, '17)

2015/16

Cantor Vladimir Lapin

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music, '17)

Cantor Lapin is Cantor at Fairmount Temple in Cleveland, Ohio.

Cantor Steve Zeidenberg

(Jewish Theological Seminary, '17)

Cantor Zeidenberg became CBST's second cantor in 2017.

2016/17

Cantor Steve Zeidenberg

(Jewish Theological Seminary)

Cantor Zeidenberg was also the cantorial intern in 2015. Cantor Zeidenberg is the Cantor at Ohavi Zedek Synagogue in Burlington, VT.

2019/20

David Fair

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music, '21)

David is Cantorial Intern at Washington Hebrew Congregation in Washington, DC.

2020/21

Sam Rosen

(Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music, '22)

Social Justice Interns 2009-2011**2009/10**

Rabbi Cecelia Beyer

(Jewish Theological Seminary '10)

Rabbi Beyer was also a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical intern in 2008/09.

2010/11

Rabbi Guy Austrian

(Jewish Theological Seminary '13)

Rabbi Austrian was also a Cooperberg-Rittmaster Rabbinical Intern in 2011/12.

Prayer for Healers

May the One who blessed our ancestors
Bless all those who put themselves at risk to care for the sick
Physicians and nurses and orderlies
Technicians and home health aides
EMTs and pharmacists
Hospital social workers and respiratory therapists
(Please include other frontline healthcare workers. And bless especially _____)
Who navigate the unfolding dangers of the world each day,
To tend to those they have sworn to help.
Bless them in their coming home and bless them in their going out.
Ease their fear. Sustain them.
Source of all breath, healer of all beings,
Protect them and restore their hope.
Strengthen them, that they may bring strength;
Keep them in health, that they may bring healing.
Help them know again a time when they can breathe without fear.
Bless the sacred work of their hands.
May this plague pass from among us, speedily and in our days.

מי שברך לאבותינו ולאמותינו, הוא יברך את כל צוותי הרפואה המסכנים את עצמם על מנת לרפא ולטפל
בחולים – הרופאות והרופאים, האחים והאחיות, הטכנאיות, אנשי המשק, המטפלות, הפארמדיקים
על עולמנו בכל יום, על מנת לרפא את . . והרוקחות. (ברך במיוחד את ____). המנווטים בסכנה המתרגשת
יצורי כפיד
ברך אותם בבואם, וברך אותן בצאתן. הקל על הפחד שלהם. חזקם ואמצם .
רופא כל בשר, הענק להם אומץ רוח ומרץ רב לעשות עבודתם נאמנה. אדון כל הנשמות, הגן עליהם והענק
להן תקווה. חזק אותם כדי שיוכלו לחזק אחרים. הגן על בריאותן כדי שיוכלו לסייע בהחלמה. סייע להם
להגיע לזמן שבו יוכלו לנשום עמוק בלי פחד. ברך את מלאכת ידיהן הקדושה. מגר את המגיפה מעולמנו,
במהרה בימינו
רפאנו ה' ונרפא, הושיענו ונושעה.

Rabbi Ayelet S. Cohen, March 2020
Hebrew by Rabbi Noa Sattath

Refuah Shleimah – Healing Prayers

Lilly Baraka
Jeannie Blankenship
Yehuda Mordechai ben Enya Riva
Reuven ben Ettl Yitta
Frank Ferrara

David Goltsman
Rolan Gregg
Rachel Kunstadt
Rey Mendoza
Rivkah bat Miriam-Malkah v'Yidl

Maya bat Shachna v'Esther
Patricia Travers
Urvashi Vaid

We include in our healing prayers all those currently afflicted with COVID-19, in the CBST community & at large. We also include in our prayers the thousands of immigrant children in US custody, most of whom are separated from their families. This list is for those with acute illness. Any member can submit their name for one-month inclusion. We only print names of those who have consented. You may say any name aloud during the healing prayer. If you or a CBST member you know is ill & would like support, contact info@cbst.org. We're here for you.

Yortzeits 5 Kislev to 11 Kislev 5781

Members memorialized on the Wine Family Sanctuary Memorial Wall

David Alter	Kenneth Meyerson	Larry Uttal
Sol Goldman	Fred Sax	
Rose Lachter	Rose Scheiner	

Family & Friends memorialized on plaques on the Kuriel Chapel Memorial Wall

Colette Aboulker-Muscat	Pamela Kahn Baca	Sarah Schack
Alice Alpert	Lillian Levy	Max Scheiner
Barton Farber	Lloyd Melnick	Edward Schwartz
Jason Finn	Parvin Namdar	Seymour Tipograph
Daniel Friedman	Jeanette Rogger-Amies	Herbert Weinberg
Jack Garmise	Marc Rosenberg	

On November 20, Trans Day of Remembrance, we mourn and honor those killed in acts of anti-trans violence. May their memories be for a blessing.

A comprehensive list of trans people murdered worldwide in 2020 can be found [here](#).

TDOR 2020 data shows that:

- 350 trans people were murdered in 2020, 6% more than in 2019;
- 98% of those murdered globally were trans feminine people;
- 62% of murdered trans people whose occupation is known were sex workers;
- People of color make up 79% of the trans people murdered in the USA;
- The average age of those murdered is 31 years old; the youngest being 15 years old.

Condolences

The CBST community extends condolences to mourners among us:

CBST Scholar in Residence for Trans and Queer Jewish Studies, **Rabbi Mike Moskowitz**, on the death of his dear friend, Brett Satinsky, z"l, who died this week as a result of COVID-19.

We also offer condolences to the families, friends, and communities of all those who are dying each day from the COVID-19 pandemic. As of today, the total number of deaths are:

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| • 24,167 in New York City; | • 258,431 across the United States; |
| • 34,215 in New York State; | • 1,369,060 worldwide. |

May God comfort you among all who mourn. We pray for peace.

PRAYER for OUR COUNTRY Rabbi Ayelet Cohen

Our God and God of our ancestors,
bless this country and all who dwell within it.
Help us to experience the blessings of our lives and circumstances,
To be vigilant, compassionate, and brave.
Strengthen us when we are afraid,
Help us to channel our anger, so that it motivates us to action.
Help us to feel our fear, so that we do not become numb.
Help us to be generous with others, so that we raise each other up.
Help us to be humble in our fear,
knowing that as vulnerable as we feel,
there are those at greater risk, and
that it is our holy work to stand with them.
Help us to taste the sweetness of liberty,
To not take for granted the freedoms won
in generations past or in recent days.
To heal and nourish our democracy,
that it may be like a tree planted by the water
whose roots reach down to the stream;
it need not fear drought when it comes,
its leaves are always green (Jeremiah 17:8).

Source of all Life,
Guide our leaders with righteousness
Strengthen their hearts, but keep them from hardening.
That they may use their influence and authority to
speak truth and act for justice (Isaiah 16:3-5).
May all who dwell in this country
share in its bounty, enjoy its freedoms,
and be protected by its laws.
May this nation use its power and wealth
to be a voice for justice,
peace, and equality for all who dwell on earth.
May we be strong and have courage
To be bold in our action and deep in our compassion,
To discern when we must listen and when we must act,
To uproot bigotry, intolerance, misogyny, racism,
discrimination, and violence in all its forms,
To celebrate the many faces of God reflected
in the wondrous diversity of humanity,
To welcome the stranger and the immigrant
and to honor the gifts of those who seek refuge
and possibility here, as they have since
before this nation was born.
Let justice well up like waters, and righteousness
like a mighty stream (Amos 5:24)

אלוהינו ואלוהי אבותנו ואמותינו. ברך את ארצנו ואת כל
היושבות והיושבים בה
יחד לבבנו להודות לך על חיינו ועל הזמן הזה
להיות דרוכות, אמיצים, ומלאי חמלה.
חזקנו וחזק ידנו כאשר אנו אחוזים בפחד
סייע בידינו לנתב את כעסנו לידי מעשה
חזק לבבנו לחוש את מלוא הפחד שלנו
כדי שלא נהפוך לאדישות
סייע לנו להשפיע נדיבות על אחרים כדי שנרים זה את זה.
סייע לנו להיות צנועות בפחד, כדי שנדע כי גם כשאנו מרגישים
פגיעות, יש אחרות, הנמצאות בסיכון גבוה אף יותר, זוהי חובתנו
הקדושה להיות עמן.
ברכנו בטעם המתוק של החופש
כדי שנשכיל להעריך את החופש לו זכינו בדורות קודמים ובעת הזו
לרפא ולחזק את הדמוקרטיה שלנו שתהיה כַּעַץ שְׁתוּל עַל-מַיִם,
וְעַל-יִבְל יִשְׁלַח שָׁרְשָׁיו, וְלֹא יִרְאֶה כִּי-יָבֹא חֶסֶד, וְהָיָה עֲלֶיהָ רֵעָן;
(ירמיהו יז, ח)
שכינה, אם כל חי,
שלחי אורך ואמתך למנהיגנו
חזקי לבבותיהם שלא יתקשו
שיתמשו בכוחן כדי לדבר אמת ולפעול בצדק (ישעיהו טז, ג-ה)
מי יתן וכל יושבי הארץ יחלקו בעושרה, ישגשו בחופש שתציע, ויהיו
מוגנים בחוקיה
מי יתן ואומה זו תשתמש בכוחה ובעושרה על מנת לקדם צדק, חופש
ושלום לכל יושבי תבל
מי יתן ונהיה חזקות ואמיצים
מי יתן ונהיה נועזים במעשי ידנו ועמוקות בחמלה שבלבנו
שנבחין מתי עלינו להקשיב ומתי עלינו לפעול
לעקור שנאה, גזענות, שוביניזם, אפליה, אלימות בכל צורה,
לחגוג את צלם אלוהים בפנים שונות המשתקפות בכל המגוון האנושי
לקבל את הזר ואת המהגרת, ולכבד את המתנות שמביא כל מי
שמבקשת מקלט והזדמנות בארץ זו, כפי שהיה מאז לפני שאומה זו
נולדה
וַיֵּגַל כְּמַיִם, מִשְׁפָּט; וַיִּצְדָּקָה, כְּנַחַל אֵיתָן
(עמוס ה כד)

Hebrew by Rabbi Noa Sattath

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Today is Trans Day of Remembrance




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ALLYSHIP
11am**

**TRANS JEWS
GATHERING
5pm**

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TONIGHT'S LIVESTREAM / ZOOM

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CBST Board, Clergy, and Staff in appreciation of Rabbi Lauren Grabelle Herrmann's words of Torah this Shabbat Toldot.

Sabrina, Ellen and Ben in memory of Barton Edward Farber, z"l - father, father-in-law, grandfather and mensch, on his fourth yortzeit. Miss you terribly, but glad you are spared this chapter of history.

Barry Karpel and Alan Levy in loving memory of Renee Rose Levy, z"l, and Samuel Karpel, z"l.

Marsha Melnick in memory of my beloved brother, Lloyd Melnick, z"l, on his 34th yortzeit.

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Rafaela Shira Anshel on this Transgender Day of Remembrance, which is today. We remember them.

Rafaela Shira Anshel in memory of my grandfather, Harry Martin Alberts, z"l, on his 91st yortzeit. He passed so young at 32 years old in 1929. May his memory be for a blessing.

Jeany Heller in memory of my father, Martin, on his first yortzeit. Watching the Eagles' miserable games this year without sitting next to you and commiserating is an especially painful experience.

Wendy Marks on the joyous occasion of Deborah Megdal's ZOOM Rabbinical School Senior Sermon @ JTS.

Linda Solomon and Bonnie Siegel to honor Ann on her retirement wishing her well in her future endeavors and to wish everyone a happy, healthful, and safe Thanksgiving.

SHABBAT MORNING LIVESTREAM / ZOOM

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Margo Cates in honor of the memories of my parents Luba and Ted Cates, z"l.

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Bill Rosenbloom in honor of Deborah Megdal and her wonderful senior drash and I wish her much love and we are very privileged to have her as a Rabbinic Fellow.

HAVDALAH LIVESTREAM / ZOOM

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Rabbis Moskowitz and Kleinbaum protest with AFT at the El Paso / Mexico border, 2018. Photo: Harold Levine

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