

שבת שלום

Shabbat Shalom

Friday, August 28, 2026 / 16 Elul 5786

Parashat Ki Tavo

Board Installation Shabbat

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה בְּעִיר; וּבָרוּךְ אַתָּה בְּשָׂדֶה.

"Blessed shall you be in the city and blessed shall you be in the country." (Deuteronomy 28:3)

Service Leader: Rabbi Yael Werber

Drashah: Rabbi Marisa James

Ba'al Tefillah: Cantor Sam Rosen

Piano: Music Director Joyce Rosenzweig

Rabbi Yael Werber

Cantor Sam Rosen

Rabbi Marisa Elana James, Director of Social Justice Programming

Rabbi Alana Krivo-Kaufman, Engagement Rabbi

Joyce Rosenzweig, Music Director

Ivan Zimmerman, President

Rabbi Sharon Kleinbaum, Senior Rabbi Emerita

Shabbat Shalom and Welcome to CBST!

Since our founding in 1973, CBST has been a center of joyful communal prayer, provocative words of Torah, and deep Jewish learning. Whether you are a newcomer tonight or have been a member of CBST for decades, believe in God or are questioning, identify as LGBTQ+ or as an ally, we welcome you.

In the current moment of political and social turmoil, gathering for Shabbat offers an opportunity to ground our busy lives. Making time for Shabbat is a radical reorientation of how we use our time, making space for beauty, spirituality, and joy.

In the words of our Senior Rabbi Emerita, Rabbi Sharon Kleinbaum, joy is an act of political and spiritual resistance.

-Rabbi Yael Werber and Cantor Sam Rosen

CBST Welcomes Our Hebrew Speaking Guests

ברוכים וברוכות הבאים לקהילת בית שמחת תורה! קהילת בית שמחת תורה מקיימת קשר רב שנים ועמוק עם ישראל, עם הבית הפתוח בירושלים לגאווה ולסובלנות ועם הקהילה הגאה בישראל. אנחנו מזמינים אתכם/ן לגלות יהדות ליבראלית גם בישראל! מצאו את המידע על קהילות רפורמיות המזמינות אתכם/ן לחגוג את סיפור החיים שלכן/ם בדף אינטרנט זה: reform.org.il/en. לפרטים נוספים ניתן לפנות לרב נועה סתת: noa.sattath@acri.org.il

At CBST, our goals to keep each other safe and healthy are deeply connected to the values underlying our tradition. We build a better world beginning with each other. CBST's Science and Medical Team asks that we rededicate to the practices that have served our community:

- If you have, or have recently recovered from, respiratory symptoms please do not attend in-person events. All services are livestreamed, and we will look forward to welcoming you back soon.
- People have different vulnerabilities. Your decision to wear a mask is respected at CBST.
- Please consider personal space by not automatically moving to embrace others, especially the clergy who interact with so many congregants.
- Keep up to date on vaccinations for Flu and COVID, remembering that we are in times of increased transmission.

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Use of mobile phones and other devices with lighted screens in the sanctuary is distracting to those who come to pray. (This means you!) If you need to check your device, please step outside to do so. Photography and video are permitted only to those who have been given permission in advance of the service. Anyone who uses one of these devices in the sanctuary without prior permission will be asked to leave. And thank you for refraining from applause.

AUGUST 28, 2026 / 16 ELUL 5786
PARSHAT KI TAVO - BOARD INSTALLATION SHABBAT

191		Return Again	Shlomo Carlebach (1926-1994)*
38	הַדִּלְקַת נֵרוֹת שֶׁל שַׁבָּת	Candle Blessing	Abraham Wolf Binder (1895-1967)*
40	שְׁלוֹם עָלֵיכֶם	Shalom Aleichem	Israel Goldfarb (1879-1956)*

KABBALAT SHABBAT / WELCOMING SHABBAT / קַבֵּלַת שַׁבָּת

52	לְכוּ נִרְנְנָה (תהלים צה)	L'chu N'ran'nah (Psalm 95)	Western Sephardic*
54	שִׁירוֹ לַה (תהלים צו)	Shiru Ladonai (Psalm 96)	Shlomo Carlebach (1926-1994)*
62	מִזְמוֹר לְדָוִד (תהלים כט)	Mizmor L'David (Psalm 29)	Western Sephardic*
66	לְכָה דוּדִי	L'chah Dodi (Shlomo Alkabetz)	Josh Warshawsky (Born 1990)*; Kol Haneshamah Synagogue (Jerusalem)*
72	צִדִּיק כְּתָמָר (תהלים צב)	Tsadik Katamar (Psalm 92)	Louis Lewandowski (1821-1894)*

MA'ARIV / THE EVENING SERVICE / מַעְרִיב

78	בָּרְכוּ	Bar'chu	Nusach
80	הַמַּעְרִיב עֲרָבִים	Hama'ariv Aravim	Nusach
86	אַהֲבַת עוֹלָם	Ahavat Olam	Debbie Friedman (1951-2011)*
88	שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל	Sh'ma Yisrael	Salomon Sulzer (1804-1890)
89	וְאַהֲבַת	V'ahavta	Torah Cantillation (Trobe)
94	מִי כַמּוֹחָה	Mi Chamochah	Josh Nelson (born 1975)*
98	הַפּוֹרֵשׁ סִכַּת שְׁלוֹם	Haporeis Sukkat Shalom	Jeff Klepper (Born 1954)*

102	וְשַׁמְרוּ	V'shamru	Lawrence Avery (1927-2015)*
104	חֲצִי קָדִישׁ	Chatsi Kaddish	Nusach
106	עֲמִידָה	Shabbat Amidah	
P5	כִּי בֵיתִי בֵּית תְּפִלָּה	Ki Beiti Beit T'fila	Shlomo Gronich (born 1948)*
118	עֹשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם	Oseh Shalom	Yoel Sykes (born 1986)*
130	תְּפִלָּה לְרִפּוּאָה	Prayer for Healing	
P6	תְּפִלָּה לְמִדְיָנָה	Prayer for Our Country	

BOARD INSTALLATION TEKES

138	קָדִישׁ שְׁלֵם	Kaddish Shalem	
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DRASHAH: RABBI MARISA JAMES

CONCLUDING PRAYERS / סִיּוּם הַתְּפִלָּה

140	עֲלֵינוּ	Aleinu	Salomon Sulzer (1804-1890)*
188	תְּהִלִּים כ"ז (אֶחָת שְׁאַלְתִּי)	Psalm 27 (Achat Sha'alti)	Israel Katz (Born 1930)*
150	קָדִישׁ יְתוֹם	Mourner's Kaddish	

ANNOUNCEMENTS & SPONSORSHIPS

156	קִידוּשׁ / הַמוּצִיא	Kiddush & Motzi	
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**Arranged by Joyce Rosenzweig*

COMPOSER FEATURE

Shlomo Gronich (born 1948) is an acclaimed Israeli composer, singer, pianist, arranger, and conductor whose career spans more than five decades. His distinctive musical language blends progressive rock, jazz, classical, folk, *Mizrahi*, *klezmer*, and Middle Eastern influences. He has composed more than 100 works of classical music, music for film, theatre, ballet, and popular song. His collaborations include leading orchestras and choirs worldwide, and his work has earned numerous honors, including the 2024 Arik Einstein Prize for artists.

Ki Beiti Beit Tefilah / My House is a House of Prayer / כִּי בֵּיתִי בֵּית תְּפִלָּה

Music: Shlomo Gronich

Text: Isaiah 56:7

כִּי בֵּיתִי בֵּית תְּפִלָּה יִקְרָא לְכָל הָעַמִּים

Ki beiti beit tefilah yikarei l'chol ha'amim

For my house shall be called a House of Prayer for all people.

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Saturday
Sept 12
10 am

ROSH HASHANAH FAMILY SERVICE

Followed by Holiday Activities
& Kiddush Lunch

AGES
5+

Wine Family
Sanctuary
CBST
130 W 30th St.

Saturday
Sept 12
11:30 am

RAINBOW TOTS ROSH HASHANAH SERVICE

Followed by Kiddush Lunch

AGES
0-5

Kessler-Karp
Room @
CBST
130 W 30th St.

MONDAY
Sept 21
10 am

YOM KIPPUR FAMILY SERVICE

Followed by Holiday Activities

**Jacob Javits
Center**
429 11th Ave
At 35th Street

MONDAY
Sept 21
11:30 am

RAINBOW TOTS YOM KIPPUR SERVICE

**Jacob Javits
Center**
429 11th Ave
At 35th Street

All families are welcome.

Please consider a donation when you register
to help support our family High Holy Day services.

PRAYER for OUR COUNTRY

Rabbi Ayelet S. 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)

PRAYER for PEACE

Rabbi Marisa James

Avinu Shebashamayim, our loving Guardian in Heaven, our Rock and Redeemer, bless and protect the land of Israel and all who dwell within it. We urgently pray that those in need of healing in Israel, the West Bank, Gaza, and the whole region, those under fire and facing loss, will one day live in safety and abundance and wholeness, in body and in spirit.

We pray to see the day when Israelis and Palestinians – Jews and Christians and Muslims – will dwell under their fig trees and grapevines, whether in Tel Aviv, in Ramallah, or in Gaza City, and no one will make them afraid. May there be no more death, no more senseless loss, for Israelis or Palestinians. May there be safety, justice, self-determination, hope, and a healthy future for all, *b'karov u'v'yameinu*, speedily and in our days. And let us say amen.



S'lichot

Saturday, September 5

Class at 9 pm, Service at 10 pm | In person at CBST

Our journey toward the Days of Awe continues with S'lichot—a night of study, music, reflection, and teshuva (return).

Board Installation Blessing

We ask your blessings, O God, upon those who have been selected to lead and serve our congregation.

As they perform their duties, stay ever mindful of the high purposes to which we are well dedicated. Help them to be faithful heirs to those who have preceded us and worthy predecessors of those who will yet follow. May their actions reflect strength and wisdom, and bear testimony to the great heritage which they represent.

Grant our leaders strength when they are weary, hope when they are discouraged, patience and perseverance when they face any obstacle. Bless them and those dear to them, with health of body, vigor of mind and serenity of spirit. May their labors reflect honor upon our congregation and our people and may they bring glory to Your holy name.

And let us say: Amen.

(Adapted from Siddur Hadash, p. 540)

Rabbi Jo Hirschmann



I have been a member of CBST for more than 20 years. Prior to this, my family and I were members of Congregation Sha'ar Zahav in San Francisco. I am moved and inspired by the creativity that flourishes at the intersection of queer and Jewish life – pastorally, liturgically, textually, musically, and communally. In the three decades since I joined an

LGBTQIA+ shul, the Jewish world has changed enormously and it's now possible to join any liberal shul, and even some Modern Orthodox ones, and be welcomed as a queer person. However, I am still passionately committed to, and invested in, the unique magic and synergy of LGBTQIA+ synagogues.

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Thank You for Your Years of Excellent Service to CBST!
Sabrina Farber, Jayson Littman, Laurie Magid

Starting Tonight! Democracy Action Team **Fridays After Shabbat Services** | In person at CBST

Every Friday after services until the midterm elections in November, join us in the Dratfield room to help get out the vote!

Postcards will be available to write together or to take home,
in accordance with your Shabbat practice.

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Selichot Saturday, September 5 at 9:00pm

Erev Rosh Hashanah Friday, September 11 at 6:30pm

Rosh Hashanah Day 1 Saturday, September 12 at 9:00am

Rosh Hashanah Day 2 Sunday, September 13 at 9:00am

Kol Nidre Sunday, September 20 at 6:00pm

Yom Kippur Monday, September 21 at 9:00am

Erev Sukkot Friday, September 25 at 6:30pm

Sukkot Day 1 Saturday, September 26 at 10:00am

Shimini Atzeret Saturday, October 3 at 10:00am

Simchat Torah Saturday, October 3 at 6:30pm

For more information on our High Holiday
services or to register to join us visit

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This list is for those with acute illness. Any person may submit one name for one-month inclusion. We only print names of people who have given consent. You may say any name aloud during the healing prayer. If you or a CBST member you know is ill and would like support, contact info@cbst.org. We are here for you.

YORTZEITS

15 Elul to 21 Elul

Members memorialized on the Wine Family Sanctuary Memorial Wall

Martin Bernstein
Edwin Clein
Sally Frank
Mort Gindi
Steven Greenstein
Bruce Lynn

Henry Mendelson
Ann Nicholson
Myrna Reich
Janet Weinberg
Edith S. Windsor

Family & Friends memorialized on the Kuriel Chapel Memorial Wall

Wayne Jay Albin
Kenneth Alpert
Brend Dipietro
Stanley Goodman
Max Kaplan
Bruce Herbert Kerman
Samuel A. Klein
Ann Klein

Ida Lax
Elenore Lester
Andrew W. R. Livingston
Shirley Malick
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Sophie Newburgh
Ethel Ratner
Philip Samberg

May the Holy One comfort all who mourn.

SPONSORSHIPS

CBST Board, Clergy, and Staff, with great appreciation for our outgoing board members Jayson Littman and Laurie Maggid and outgoing vice president and former president Sabrina Farber. Thank you for your hard work, immense dedication and deep commitment to this community.

CBST Board, Clergy, and Staff welcome Rabbi Jo Hirschman to the Board of Directors with great appreciation in advance for her wisdom, support, and service.

TONIGHT'S LIVESTREAM

Underwritten by

Alton Bader, who has generously and consistently supported CBST's Livestream.

Sponsored by

Rosanne Leipzig and Ora Chaikin, remembering my Great Aunt Ida Lax, z"l, with much love and gratitude on her 38th yortzeit.

Jay Fischer and Michael Lehrman who generously support CBST's Livestream.

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Linda Solomon and Bonnie Siegel are pleased to support tonight's livestream.

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Sponsored by

Mike Vine and Bill Getreuer, mazal tov to outgoing Board members, Sabrina Farber, Jayson Littman and Laurie Magid, for your years of service, commitment and dedication to the CBST community.

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