


Latkepalooza!


Hosted by  **Join the Unified Religious School at Congregation Beth Shalom for our 16th annual Chanukah celebration!**

OPEN TO ALL

Celebrate Chanukah with games, crafts, face painting and lots of prizes! We will enjoy latkes and sufganiyot!

\$5.00/PERSON - CASH ONLY AT THE DOOR

Sunday Dec. 14 10am - 12 noon



Sisterhood Judaica Shop

 Sisterhood Judaica Shop is OPEN by appointment ONLY.

To schedule an appointment, call Ronna Harris Askin at 412-889-4842.

Beth Shalom Men's Club Sweepstakes

Men's Club Sweepstakes is BACK! Tickets are \$50 each. Tickets now available!

16 winners over the 8 days of Hanukkah!

To purchase tickets online, go to: BethShalomPgh.org/2025-mens-club-sweepstakes




Weekly Service Times*

Morning Services
Mondays – Fridays at 7:30 a.m.
Sundays at 8:00 a.m.

Evening Services
Sundays – Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.
Fridays at 6:00 p.m.

**Note: Times are subject to change for holidays and special services.*

Congregation Beth Shalom Auxiliary Presidents

Judy Kobell & Sabina Robinson, Sisterhood • **Ira Frank**, Men's Club • **Daphne Macedonia**, BSUSY

 **SHABBAT PLAY DATE**

DATE SATURDAY DECEMBER 20 AFTER KIDDUSH

INSIDE PLAY NAME OUT

OPEN GYM

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FUN TO DO AFTER SERVICES?

 PARENTS MUST STAY WITH CHILDREN IN THE GYM OR ON THE 4TH FLOOR. THANKS FOR HELPING KEEP EVERYONE SAFE!

Congregation Beth Shalom presents the 8th annual...

CLUES & SCHMOOZE

(WITH SOME BOOZE)

Saturday February 7, 2026

Doors open at 7:00 p.m.
Trivia game starts at 8:00 p.m.

- Open bar & snacks
- 50/50 raffle (bring cash)
- Teams of 3 to 6
 - Bring your own team or be matched up at the door.

Early Bird Price \$30/person

BethShalomPgh.org/Clues-and-Schmooze-2026

Next Shabbat Service Times

Friday, December 19, 2025
Light candles at 4:37 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 20, 2025
Early Morning Service at 6:30 a.m.
Shabbat Morning Service at **9:15 a.m.**
Minhah/Discussion at 4:05 p.m.
Se'udah Shelishit (Third Meal) at 4:35 p.m.
Ma'ariv at 5:15 p.m.
Havdalah at 5:38 p.m.



ENRICHING LIVES THROUGH COMMUNITY, LIFELONG JEWISH LEARNING, AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH

SHABBAT SHALOM

23 KISLEV 5786

THIS WEEK'S PARASHAH IS VAYYESHEV.

Karen Elhassid becomes a bat mitzvah.



Shabbat - Fri., December 12, 2025

Candle lighting at 4:35 p.m.

Hod veHadar Instrumental Kabbalat Shabbat	6:00 p.m.
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In person & Zoom from the Samuel & Minnie Hyman Ballroom

Shabbat Youth Services Sat., December 13, 2025

Junior Congregation	Level Up Shabbat
10:00 a.m. - Chill	10:45 a.m.
11:00 a.m. - Dvash	Manny's Service
11:15 a.m. - Service	11:15 a.m.

Shabbat - Sat., December 13, 2025

Havdalah at 5:36 p.m.

Shabbat Early Morning Service	6:30 a.m.
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In person & Zoom from the Homestead Hebrew Chapel

Shabbat Morning Service	9:15 a.m.
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In person & Zoom from the Faye Rubenstein Weiss Sanctuary

Congregational Kiddush	12:15 p.m.
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Samuel & Minnie Hyman Ballroom

Minhah/Discussion/Se'udah Shelishit/ Ma'ariv	4:05 p.m.
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In person & Zoom from the Homestead Hebrew Chapel

Torah Readings Sat., December 13, 2025

Aliyah	Verses	Etz Hayim
1.	Genesis 37:1-3	226
2.	37:4-7	227
3.	37:8-11	227
4.	37:12-17	228
5.	37:18-22	229
6.	37:23-28	230
7.	37:29-36	231
Maftir	37:34-36	232
Haftarah	Amos 2:6-3:8	247

This Shabbat's Study DeRabbanan is being led by Rabbi Goodman.

Rabbi Seth Adelson Senior Rabbi	Rabbi Mark Asher Goodman Associate Rabbi	Paul Teplitz President	Robert Gleiberman Executive Director
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SHABBAT SHALOM

Our Clergy join the Officers & Trustees in welcoming all members and guests to our services. We look forward to seeing you again soon.

CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY

Thank You to:

Rebecca and Dror Elhassid for sponsoring this week's kiddush in honor of Karen becoming a bat mitzvah.

The Kolko family for sponsoring this week's third meal in loving memory of Myron Kolko.

The participants in the services on Saturday, December 13:

Service Leaders: Rabbi Adelson, Rabbi Goodman, Sheldon Catz, Karen Elhassid, Hannah Bein, Aaron Balleisen

Torah Readers (morning & afternoon services) & Haftarah: Eitan Elhassid, Zachary Kazzaz, Rebecca Elhassid, Jeremy Kazzaz, Tammy Hepps, Karen Elhassid, Adam Kolko

Gabbaim: Ira Frank, Steve Berger

Condolences to:

Toby Neufeld on the passing of her husband, Dr. Ronald Neufeld, on Sunday, December 7, 2025.

Lee Ruth Fischbach (Marnin Fischbach) and Jordan Fischbach on the passing of their father and grandfather Oscar Singer on Wednesday, December 10, 2025.



Yahrzeits

FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 13 - 19, 2025 23 - 29 KISLEV, 5786

This list comprises those dear departed for whom there are memorial plaques, and for those who sent us their yahrzeit commemoration form.

Bernard Abels	Oscar Finn	Mordukai Kesselman	Morris Samuel Moltz	Esther Shrut
Sonya F. Barnett	Celia Fox	Molly Kessler	Hanina Neaman	Malvin J. Simon
Belle Bennett	Jason Scott Goldfeder	Aaron Klein	Edward Newman	Samuel Simon
Nathan Z. Bennett	Lydia S. Golomb	Morris Klein	Helen S. Platt	Marilyn Sandler
Sarah Berkman	Louis Goodman	Zelman Krinberg	Rachel Portnoy	Esther B. Skirboll
Beatrice E. Berkwit	Isabelle Gorman	Simon Leven	Jacob M. Robbins	Fannie Solow
Julius Berliner	Edith Grobstein	Nellie Levenson	Betty Rose	Victor Spector
Marci Lynn Bernstein	Sue Halpern	Meyer Levy	Morris I. Rosen	Fannie Stein
Ben J. Bitterfield	Bunie Harris	Celia Liberman	Thomas Rosenstein	Martha Stein
Ella Braemer	Manny Hartman	Abe Lieberman	Charles Ruttenberg	Anna M. Tolochko
Ben Browarsky	Max Harold Heiss	Sanford J. Liebschutz	Estelle Schechter	Claire Weinbaum
Herman Browarsky	Max Herschkovitz	Percy A. Love	Sander Schmidt	Anne Weintraub
Jeanette Caplan	Gene Hertz	Sarah Marks	Frima Schussel	Esther Weiss
Anna R. Cazen	Philip Hoffman	Rose Melnick	Victor Sedaka	Simon Wolf
Laurence R. Cederbaum	Ruth G. Horn	Eva Mervis	Maurice Seiavitch	Rose Beatrice Zinman
Jacob S. Chussitt	Sarah Itskovich	Lena Meyerson	Robert L. Seiavitch	
Minnie Cohen	Tillie Izenson	Lee Scott Miller	Fay Serbin	
Rebecca (Elinoff) Coleman	Leo Jolson	Morris Miller	Judith Shafran	
Ben Fineman	Morris Karp	Rose Miller	Joel Sherry	

Please refrain from using personal electronic devices at and in the synagogue during Shabbat and holidays. Thank you.

THIS WEEKEND'S & UPCOMING EVENTS/PROGRAMS

For a complete list of upcoming events and programs, check out our website: BethShalomPgh.org



Or HaGanuz Hidden Light Yoga

Next class Sunday, December 14, 2025 at 10:00 am | Zweig Library

Six Sundays of embodied Jewish wisdom for winter's darkness with Tiferet Project. From Hanukkah's miracle through the solstice turning, we'll practice finding the light that exists within. 6 classes, \$18 per class or \$99 for the series. To register, visit: tinyurl.com/or-haganuz-yoga

Shababababa

Friday, December 19, 2025 at 5:15 p.m. | Samuel & Minnie Hyman Ballroom

Join us for a Hanukkah-themed Shababababa, a musical shabbat for Pittsburgh families led by Rabbi Seth Adelson. Dinner served after the service. Dinner includes Cheese Lasagna, Vegetable Lasagna, French fries, applesauce, salad, challah rolls and cookies. Registration is required whether or not you are staying for dinner. To register, visit: BethShalomPgh.org/Shababababa-Dec2025



Hanukkah Lighting Party and Singalong

Saturday, December 20, 2025 at 5:45 p.m. | Beacon St. Parking Lot



Join us as we sing some Hanukkah songs outside and light the large wooden menorahs. Donuts and hot chocolate will also be served. Does your family have gently used books or gently used boots that you have outgrown? Bring any old books and outgrown boots and exchange them for gently used book titles and boots.



Chinese Buffet Night

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 at 5 pm or 7 pm | Samuel & Minnie Hyman Ballroom

Join us for an all you care to eat Chinese buffet. You may choose between two seatings at either 5:00 PM or 7:00 PM. Enjoy a delicious spread of Chinese favorites, great company, and a warm atmosphere with family and friends. If you are unable to stay, we will also be offering a takeout option. Please RSVP by 12/20 to reserve your buffet seating, as space is limited. To register, visit: BethShalomPgh.org/Chinese-Buffet-Night/



2026 Beth Shalom Quarterly Blood Drive

Sunday, January 11, 2026 at 9:00 a.m-2:30 p.m. | Samuel & Minnie Hyman Ballroom



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