Annual UWS Blood Drive
Sunday, January 13 | 10:00 am-4:00 pm
Lincoln Square Synagogue, 180 Amsterdam Avenue

Once again, Shearith Israel is joining forces with the Jewish Center, Lincoln Square Synagogue, Ohab Zedek, and West Side Institutional Synagogue to donate blood during the winter months when blood banks need it most.

Sign up to give the gift of life! JScreen will be onsite for genetic screening for those interested.

To view time slots and register, visit shearithisrael.org/blood-drive2019.

CHOIR SELECTIONS THIS SHABBAT
Friday Night (12/21)
V’Shamru (p. 166) | S. Naumberg
Psalm 23 (p. 174) | Leon Kramer
Shabbat Morning (11/22)
Misberahk (p. 208) | Leon Hyman
Unbnuo Yomar (p. 218) | Henry Pereira Mendes
En Kelohenu (p. 229) | Samuel de Sola

Jewish Education Alerts

• Rabbi Soloveichik’s Tuesday Morning Women’s Class returns this week. January 8.
• Rabbi Silber’s new class on the Book of Judges will begin on Sunday, February 3. To learn more and register, visit shearithisrael.org/silber-judges.
• Rabbi Sjimon den Hollander’s Sunday Class returns on January 20.

Shabbat Vaera
January 4-5, 2019

Hertz Pentateuch: p. 232; Hafarah p. 244
Kaplan Living Torah: p. 280; Hafarah p. 1096

CANDLE LIGHTING | 4:24 pm
EVENING SERVICES | 4:30 pm

MORNING SERVICES | Main Sanctuary | 8:15 am
TOT SHABBAT | Ages 0-4 | 10:00 am | Fidanne Youth Room
YOUTH GROUPS | Ages 5-12 | 10:00 am | Elias Room
JUNIOR CONGREGATION | 10:30 am | Little Synagogue
TALK | Rabbi Soloveichik | “The Greatest Haggadah Story in Jewish History”

SHABBAT AFTERNOON SHUR | Rabbi Soloveichik | 3:30 pm | “Bet Shamai’s New Year” | Levy Auditorium
EVENING SERVICES | 4:15 pm
HABDALA | 5:00 pm

Rosh Hodesh Shvat begins on Sunday night.

Weekday Service Times
Mornings:
Sunday: 8:00 am | Monday-Friday: 7:15 am
Evenings (Arbit only):
Sunday-Thursday: 6:30 pm

Central Park West at 70th Street, New York City • www.shearithisrael.org
Shabbat Shira Sing-Along Luncheon
Featuring our talented musical triumvirate:
Hazzan Rabbi Ira Rohde, Associate Hazzan Rev. Philip L. Sherman, and Shamash Zachary Edinger
Shabbat, January 19 | Following Morning Services

Have you ever wished you were more familiar with Shearith Israel’s unique liturgy and melodies? Do you ever have the urge to sing along with the Shearith Israel choir (or belt it out at your own home)? At this special Shabbat luncheon, join the uplifting voices of our clergy in discussing, learning, and singing classic Shearith Israel tunes in a laid-back, cozy atmosphere. Meals like these are a great opportunity to invite your friends to our community without having to host them yourself!

Register or sponsor at shearithisrael.org/sing-along-luncheon.

This event is one of our many Year of Years, 365th Anniversary events, showcasing and transmitting the unique musical traditions of our congregation.

Remembering Baghdad Continued:
Two Upcoming Film Screenings
THIS Wednesday, January 9 | 7:00 pm
Letters From Baghdad

This film tells the story of Gertrude Bell, who left the confines of England to seek freedom and independence in the Arabian desert and became the most powerful woman of her day in the British Empire. The film explores the choices that trailblazing women make, and how decisions made by Bell continue to influence current events in the Middle East and the world today.

Wednesday, February 6 | 7:00 pm
The Last Jews of Baghdad

Marking the anniversary of the Baghdad Hangings
With opening remarks from producer Carole Basri

Today, only 5 Jews remain in Iraq from a population of 160,000. This film asks, “Why did the Iraqi Jews leave?” The answer is found in the discriminatory laws and policies enacted by Iraq’s government and leaders against these former members of Iraqi society who still consider themselves “Iraqi Jews.”

Register for either or both films at shearithisrael.org/baghdad-screenings.

Shearith Israel Toddler Program
Mondays and Wednesdays | 9:30 am-11:30 am
January 2-June 5
For ages 16-34 months | Parent or caregiver attendance required.

There is still time to enroll your toddler for the Spring Semester of “the best-kept secret on the Upper West Side”!
To learn more and apply, go to shearithisrael.org/toddlerprogram.

Parent-Child Learning & Pizza
On Upcoming Saturday Nights:
January 12 | 6:45 pm—Led by Rabbi Ira Rohde
February 9 | 7:00 pm—Led by Z. Edinger

For Children Aged 5-12 & Their Parents or Grandparents
A wonderful opportunity for parents (or grandparents) to study Torah with their children together with Shearith Israel’s clergy.
Pizza and prizes help make this a fun-filled evening of inter-generational learning.
Register for the January 12 session (only $5 per person) at shearithisrael.org/parent-child-learning.

PTTS Shabbaton 2.0
Shabbat, January 19

On this special Shabbat, PTTS students take the lead at Jr. Congregation. Feel free to stick around by signing up for our Shabbat Shira Sing-Alone Luncheon!

Calling CSI Teens
We are looking for a few experienced Junior Congregation participants to mentor some of our PTTS students to help them prepare for this special event. This is a rewarding and fun chance to support our PTTS students, and can also be used to fulfill community service hours.
Contact Yona Glass at yglass@shearithisrael.org if you would like to help a PTTS student master their part.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS
We welcome new members, Raquel & Ian Lentnek, and their daughters, Hudson (6) and Dakota (10 months), to our growing Shearith Israel family.