

## Beth Ami Virtual Week The Beth Ami Zoom Room, Services and classes:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/862157330?pwd=c2V5dEp6YzA4ZERHL2p2REdFU29uQT09

Rabbi Mordecai Miller's half-hour morning Rashi study posted on YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtMLk4BGrEQZzGVlc2vOFiA

Closed Captioning/ Live Transcript instructions https://bethamisr.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Closed-Caption-Instructions-for-Beth-Ami.pdf

Shabbat morning services in-person in the Sanctuary as well as on Zoom.

Schedule for Winter (please see https://bethamisr.org/worship/services/ for general information on services)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Shabbat
7:30 am Rashi Study with Rabbi Miller	7:30 am Rashi Study with Rabbi Miller	7:30 am Rashi Study with Rabbi Miller	NO Rashi Study Wednesdays	7:30 am Rashi Study with Rabbi Miller	7:30 am Rashi Study with Rabbi Miller	
8:00 - 9:00 am Morning Minyan	8:00 - 9:00 am Morning Minyan	8:00 - 9:00 am Morning Minyan	8:00 - 9:00 am Morning Minyan	8:00 - 9:00 am Morning Minyan	8:00 - 9:00 am Morning Minyan	9:30 am Shabbat Services on Zoom and in person
		2:00 pm Mishnah class		2:30 pm TaNaCH-Bible class	On Zoom: 3:00 pm. Mincha (Sanctuary open when Rabbi Miller is on-site:) 6:00 pm. First Fridays Kabbalat Shabbat with Rabbi Miller fol- lowed by dinner. 2nd and 3rd Fridays, Sing In Shabbat with Leah Gerber. 4th Fri- day Rabbi Miller or Lay leader on zoom	
7:00 pm Evening Minyan	7:00 pm Evening Minyan	7:00 pm Evening Minyan	7:00 pm Evening Minyan	7:00 pm Evening Minyan		On Zoom, approximately one hour before Havdalah: Mincha, Discussion, Ma'ariv; followed by Havdalah
			8:00 p.m. Midrash class			

## **CBA SAFETY PROTOCOLS**

For those who will be attending in person services, please do not come if you have had any recent exposure, have cold/flu symptoms, or if you have been sick with COVID and have not tested negative at least twice. We recommend wearing a mask as needed. We encourage everyone who can to be up to date with vaccination and boosters.

Although we are not gathering in person at the Beth Ami building for all classes, we have continued to provide all kinds of services using Zoom. Using the calendar above, we welcome you to participate in study and prayer, to whatever degree you wish. You are always welcome to "check it out" and see if the program meets your needs.

- 1. Rashi Study: Weekday mornings, Sunday Friday 7:30 8:00 a.m. Also on YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtMLk4BGrEQZzGVlc2vOFiA We examine the text of the coming week's Torah reading using the original Hebrew text and Rashi's commentary. A full oral translation is always provided and there's ample opportunity for discussion. Rashi's exposition often gives a novel understanding of the words in the Torah. This is "pitched" intentionally for the person who is just starting out a path of traditional Jewish learning.
- **2. Weekday Minyanim:** We are fortunate to be able to host a "minyan" at least once a day. We try to make it possible for those saying "Kaddish" to recite it. There are a number of our members who have suffered recent losses and are committed to recited Kaddish in their loved-ones memory. Yahrtzeit at a daily Minyan

El Maleh Rachamim will be recited at the daily minyan service when a mourner is present. There is no requirement that 10 people be present to recite this. This prayer is directed to the deceased, asking God to grant peace to the soul of the deceased.

**Mornings: Sundays - Friday 8:00 a.m.** (Average time is about an hour. Times can vary depending on the "menu" for the day which can include a Torah Reading, Hallel, Musaph, Tachanun (prayers of supplication)

Afternoon - Evening: Currently Sunday through Thursday evenings 7:00 - 7:45 p.m.

## 3. Mishnah Class Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

Discover the Oral Torah. Tradition has it that Moses was given two Torahs: one written: that is, the words in the Scroll of the Torah, and the other oral: passed down by word of mouth through the generations until the year 200 of our current era. At the time, the Romans, who occupied the land of Judea, forbad the study of Torah on pain of death.

Extreme situations called for extreme measures. Rabbi Judah haNasi, the leader of the community at the time, took the revolutionary step of committing what had always been kept strictly oral and committed it to writing. In this way he and the leaders of the people hoped to prevent the Oral Torah from being entirely forgotten. The result: the Mishna exists even today!

4. Midrash Class Wednesday evenings at 8:00 p.m.

This is a unusual analysis of the text of the Torah. Every significant word is analyzed thorough a lively discussion on the page. Disagreements are frequent between these scholars. The result: we all turn out a little wiser with a depth of understanding that is a source of joy; sometimes even a smile.

**5. TaNaCH class: Thursdays, 2:30 p.m.** We read through the text in English and pause to take questions and comments. There's usually a lively discussion. We have just started the Second Book of Kings. As you might imagine, there's plenty of intrigue and political struggle as we read about wise and poor leadership.

## **Shabbat services:**

Friday afternoon, Mincha will begin at 3:00 p.m. on Zoom.

**Fridays at 6 pm** on Zoom, also in person services in the sanctuary Friday evenings when Rabbi Miller is on site: First Fridays of the month traditional Kabbalat Shabbat with Rabbi Mordecai Miller. 2nd and 3rd Fridays, Sing in Shabbat, a music filled service led by Leah Gerber, preceded by a story with Rabbi Miller at 5:45 pm.

Saturday 9:30 am Shabbat Services in person and available on Zoom.

Saturday Mincha, Maariv, Havdalah. Mincha starts roughly an hour before Havdalah, and includes study of the meanings of various prayers.