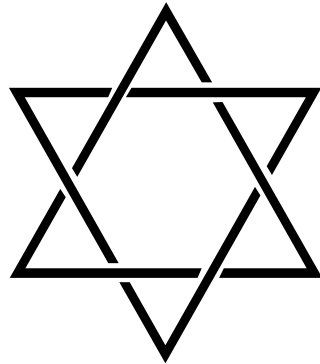


WELCOME



ברוכים הבאים

Congregation Beth Israel is a warm, welcoming egalitarian community affiliated with The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. Our synagogue focuses on Jewish core values: studying Torah, joining in communal prayer, and engaging in acts of loving kindness. We encourage life long learning and seek to strengthen our connection to the Jewish people and to the State of Israel.

Rabbi Steven Schwarzman
Cantor Elise Barber
Kenneth Turkewitz, Executive Director
Me'ir Sherer, Director of Congregational Learning
Joel Baker, President





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Name(s) to use on mailing labels: _____ Date: _____

Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone () _____ Home Fax () _____

E-Mail _____

Adult #1

Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Informal Name: _____ Business Name: _____

Jewish? Yes No (see note below) Work Address: _____

Hebrew Name (Hebrew and transliterated, e.g. "Zalman son of Shmuel & Sarah") City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

_____ Work Phone: () _____

_____ Work Fax: () _____

Birth Date: _____ Marital status (optional): _____ E-Mail _____

Anniversary Date (if applicable): _____ Cell Phone: () _____

Adult #2

Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Informal Name: _____ Business Name: _____

Jewish? Yes No (see note below) Work Address: _____

Hebrew Name (Hebrew and transliterated, e.g. "Miriam daughter of Kalman & Shulamit") City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

_____ Work Phone: () _____

_____ Work Fax: () _____

Birth Date: _____ E-Mail _____

Marital status (optional): _____ Cell Phone: () _____



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Children

First Name: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

Last Name: _____ Enroll in Cong. Beth Israel Hebrew School?
 Yes No

Address (if different from yours): _____ Zip _____

Phone (if different): () _____ E-mail address (if you want your child to receive e-mail from the synagogue): _____

Birth Date: _____

Sex: M F

Hebrew Name (Hebrew and transliterated, e.g. "Dinah Daughter of Zalman & Miriam")

First Name: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

Last Name: _____ Enroll in Cong. Beth Israel Hebrew School?
 Yes No

Address (if different from yours): _____ Zip _____

Phone (if different): () _____ E-mail address (if you want your child to receive e-mail from the synagogue): _____

Birth Date: _____

Sex: M F

Hebrew Name (Hebrew and transliterated, e.g. "Dinah Daughter of Zalman & Miriam")

First Name: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

Last Name: _____ Enroll in Cong. Beth Israel Hebrew School?
 Yes No

Address (if different from yours): _____ Zip _____

Phone (if different): () _____ E-mail address (if you want your child to receive e-mail from the synagogue): _____

Birth Date: _____

Sex: M F

Hebrew Name (Hebrew and transliterated, e.g. "Dinah Daughter of Zalman & Miriam")

Note: Names, addresses, phone numbers, and children's names and ages will be included on our community list. If you do not want any of these items to be listed, please let us know.



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Special Interests:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption | <input type="checkbox"/> Shabbat Learners' Services (for adults) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Singles Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible, Text Study | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hebrew School | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Interfaith Families | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shabbat & Holiday Services | _____ |

Skills & Experiences

	(Adult #1 name)	(Adult #2 name)
Previous Jewish education (Hebrew school, day school, high school, college)		
Reading Torah (please list portion(s) that you already know)		
Reading Haftarah (please list portion(s) that you already know)		
Artistic skills (singing, musical instruments, arts or crafts, etc.)		
Computer skills (database, Web site design, other)		
Fund-raising experience		
Other		

Synagogue Committee Interests

(Please indicate which person is interested in each committee you select):

- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Hebrew School | <input type="checkbox"/> Ritual |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bikkur Holim (visiting the sick) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hazak (55+ Group) | <input type="checkbox"/> Seating |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Endowment & Investment | <input type="checkbox"/> Hesed | <input type="checkbox"/> Sisterhood |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brotherhood | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Resource | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Synaplex |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing & Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Ways & Means (fundraising) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Activities |



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How did you learn about Congregation Beth Israel?

Yahrzeit Information

If you would like to be reminded of the anniversary of the death of a loved one:

Name of deceased	Related to whom?	Relation-ship	Date of death	Died before sundown?*	Hebrew name (transliterated, e.g. "Shmuel son of Avi and Dinah")

**Note: The time of death (before or after sundown) is needed to determine the date of death on the Jewish calendar.*

It is our practice to share information with other Jewish agencies in the community.

If you wish to opt out of this practice, please check here. _____

Can we share your name with the Jewish Federation of Central MA's Shalom Newcomer? _____



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Note: We welcome non-Jewish partners and family members and encourage them to participate in the life of our community. If you have questions or concerns in this area, please talk with Rabbi Steven Schwarzman.

DUES PLAN

Each member of our congregation supports the activities of our synagogue in accordance with his/her ability to pay. All members receive the same privileges of membership regardless of the dues which they are able to pay.

The philosophy of Congregation Beth Israel is to welcome all Jews as members of our synagogue, regardless of their ability to pay his/her dues. In cases of unusual hardship, adjustments can be arranged by written application made to the Abatement Committee.

In order to welcome each new member into our synagogue, the first and second year's dues are reduced.

Family Membership: Such membership shall be extended to couples and shall entitle them and their dependent children to all membership privileges.

Individual Membership: Such membership shall be extended to individuals and shall entitle the member and the member's dependent children to all membership privileges.

Please circle your Dues Category

Single Membership New Member First Year	\$ 455
Single Membership New Member Second Year	\$ 910
Single Membership	\$ 1,365
Family Membership New Member First Year	\$ 638
Family Membership New Member Second Year	\$ 1,275
Family Membership	\$ 1,915
Associate (with membership at another congregation)	\$ 610

Energy Surcharge 4%

Payment plans and special arrangements available upon request.



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2011-2012 Religious School-Year Information

Weekly Schedule

Shabbat 9:30 AM ~ 12:00 PM (all grade levels: kindergarten through seventh grade)
 Mondays 4:00 PM ~ 6:00 PM (second through fifth grade)
 Wednesdays 4:00 PM ~ 6:00 PM (second through seventh grade)

The weekly schedule is complemented by a host of special programs and celebrations throughout the year, including family-education programs that our students and families are encouraged to attend.

Religious School Tuition

Parents are asked to commit to a payment plan which is both convenient for them and which ensures an adequate cash flow to the school. Please speak with Ken Turkewitz, Executive Director, if you have any questions or concerns. No child will ever be turned away due to a family's inability to pay. The synagogue will work, in a discrete and confidential way, with families who need financial assistance.

Tuition

Rates are for each registered child.

Kindergarten and First Grade	\$450
Second through Fifth Grade	\$745
Sixth and Seventh Grade	\$555

Snack Fee

To alleviate the burden of each family purchasing snack three – four times during the school year, the Religious School will make all snack arrangements.

Book Fee

Each year there is a fee to help defray some of the cost of books and materials.

Pre-K, Kindergarten and First Grade	\$50
Second through Fifth Grade	\$100
Sixth and Seventh Grade	\$100

Kindergarten and First Grade	\$60
Second through Fifth Grade	\$180
Sixth and Seventh Grade	\$120



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UNITED SYNAGOGUE OF CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM

Beth Israel is a member of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ). USCJ provides many services to the Conservative Jewish movement and our synagogue.

FRIENDS OF THE SEMINARY

The members of all United Synagogue congregations are urged to participate in a voluntary contribution in support of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. The Seminary, located in New York City, is the training ground for Conservative Rabbis and Cantors who serve the Jewish community throughout the world. It also trains Jewish educators as well as grants Masters and Ph.D. degrees in a variety of Judaic disciplines. There is also an undergraduate program, List College of Jewish Studies, which offers joint degrees with either Barnard College or Columbia University. The highly successful Camp Ramah program is run by the Seminary. Each member is encouraged to contribute \$54.00 per year. Your monthly statement will reflect your participation in this program.

MERCAZ

*The members of all United Synagogue congregations are urged to participate in a voluntary contribution in support of **MERCAZ**. **MERCAZ** is the Zionist membership organization of the Conservative Movement, the voice of Conservative Jewry within the World Zionist Organization, the Jewish Agency for Israel, the American Zionist Movement and the Jewish National Fund to support religious pluralism in Israel and strengthen the connection between Israel and the Diaspora. Each member is encouraged to contribute \$36 for a single membership and \$54 for a family membership.*

CAN WE HELP?

Please indicate any special needs you or a family member might have so that we may best accommodate them. In order for the synagogue to best be responsive to your needs, we ask that all issues or concerns be written and directed to the synagogue office. It is our goal to respond to you as quickly as possible.

Our synagogue is committed to meeting the varied needs of our members and our community. We offer not only opportunity for religious fulfillment, but for the development of social and personal relationships.

As a new member you will be contacted to discuss your needs and interests.

We look forward to welcoming you into our Beth Israel family.

Applicant Signature _____

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