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Shabbat shalom, and welcome to Mishkan.

Mishkan is a spiritual community on a mission to engage, educate, empower and inspire people in Chicago and beyond through dynamic experiences of Jewish prayer, study, music, social activism and community-building. We believe that Judaism is a vehicle for bringing more light, more goodness, more justice, and more joy into the world, and that inspired prayer and inspired living reinforce one another.

The ancient Mishkan was the traveling prayer tent in the desert that brought together Israelites from across the spectrum of the community, and so do we: young, young-at-heart, total novices in prayer and Jewish study alongside people with years of experience, LGBTQ Jews, Jews in interfaith relationships and from all denominational and religious backgrounds. We believe everyone's birthright is to connect to God, Torah and community in this way. The only thing needed is that your heart be in it. You in?

We're so glad you're here, and hope your shabbos with us brings you higher.

Rabbi Lizzi Heydemann

TEFILAH/Reflection: Common Sense Fun Laws

משנכנס אדר מרבין בשמחה

mi'she nikh'nas Adar marbim b'simḥa

When we enter the month of Adar, adopt a posture of joy.

Talmud Bavli Megillah

KEHILAH/Community

Register for all events (unless otherwise posted) @ www.mishkanchicago.org/events

livin' on a prayer • תפילה

Pop-UP Mini-Mishkan @ 2U

TOMORROW, Saturday February 24th, 11:00am, **Second Unitarian**, 656 W. Barry

Join us for an extra joyous Mini-Mishkan this weekend with special guest Rabbi Daniel Novick, candidate for our Director of Family Learning & Spirituality position. Mini-Mishkan is our space for toddlers and their families to explore Jewish spirituality through music, story-telling, prayer and play.

RISE @ Mishkan + Mini-Mishkan

NEXT Saturday March 3rd, 9:30am, **Second Unitarian**, 656 W. Barry

Disconnect to reconnect! Wake up, sing, daven, discuss. Our usual Shabbat morning service, heavy on the intention and light on fluff, followed by a delightful kiddish lunch. **Kids and families** invited for **Mini-Mishkan at 11:15am** upstairs.

Passover: Seder in the Woods

Friday March 29th - Sunday April 1st, all weekend, **Camp Henry Horner**, Ingleside IL

This year, get out into the woods and experience liberation in your body. Join our everybody-friendly Passover retreat for singles, couples, and families, with camp accommodations, delicious food, lots of unstructured time, both of our rabbis, two seders (one traditional, one adventure), and an amazing schedule planned to allow the work of Passover to really work on YOU.

learn • לימוד

DIY Seder: How To Host

Sunday March 4th, 1:30pm - 3:30pm, **Mishkan Space**, 4001 N. Ravenswood 108

In partnership with OneTable, we want to empower YOU to host seder. So you can say, "May all those who are hungry come and eat" and mean it! Go through the steps, talk about alternative haggadot, learn what the whole point of this crazy 4-glass-of-wine-ritual-liberation-fest is all about.

The Z Word: Zionism(s), Israel and What It All Means to Us

Thursday March 8th, 15th & 22nd, 7:00pm-9:00pm, **Mishkan Space**, 4001 N. Ravenswood 108

Join us for an exploration of the many ways that Jews have related to Israel and Zion over the last 100+ years, from Pre-Zionism to Post-Zionism to everything in between - using different lenses to explore our own relationships with the Land of Zion and State of Israel. Open to learners of all backgrounds and political perspectives. Co-organized by Mishkan, BINA, and Habonim Dror Olami. Free for Builders, \$30 total general admission.

S&M Bet Midrash Spring Session

New Learner Orientation: March 13th, 7:00pm - 9:30pm, **Spring Session: March 20th - May 1st**, 7:00pm - 9:30pm, **Mishkan Space**, 4001 N. Ravenswood

SVARA & Mishkan's signature weeknight Bet Midrash is open to absolute beginners and experienced learners alike. The learning is rigorous in a warm and supportive environment. We'll get you all tied up in hardcore, traditionally radical Talmud. Send in your applications now — the bet midrash fills up quickly! And if you're new to S&M learning, also make sure to sign up for the required Orientation for New Learners.

gather • ביחד

The Sangha: Weekly Mishkan Meditation Minyan

Wednesday February 21st & ongoing, 7:00pm - 8:00pm, **Mishkan Space**, 4001 N. Ravenswood 108

Come sit in silent meditation together and to process what's coming up in our practice— challenges, new insights & questions. Newbies can join our beginners intro session the first Wed. of every month, 6:45pm, with in-depth instruction from Rabbi Lauren.

Couples Night Out: WhirlyBall!

Saturday March 3rd, 4:30pm - 6:00pm, **WhirlyBall Chicago**, 1825 W. Webster Ave

Want to meet other couples and expand your social circle? WhirlyBall combines lacrosse, hockey, basketball, and bumper cars in a game of skill and totally silly fun. Grab your partner (21+ please) and register! \$30 per couple.

LIMMUD/learning: Remembering to Forget to Remember

ואתה תצוה את בני ישראל ויקחו אליך שמן זית זך כתיב למאור להעלות נר תמיד

20 And you shall command the people of Israel that they bring you pure beaten olive for the light, for the lamp to burn always.

Exodus 27:20

זכור, את אשר-עשה לך עמלק, בדרך בצאתכם ממצרים יח אשר קרך בדרך, ויזנב בך כל-הנחשלים אחריך--ואתה, עיר ונגע: ולא ירא, אלהים יט והיה בהנחם י-ה-נ-ה אלהיך לך מכל-איביך מסביב, בארץ אשר י-ה-נ-ה-אלהיך נתן לך נחלה לרשתה--תמחה את-זכר עמלק, מתחת השמים: לא תשכח

TORAH: Remember what Amalek did unto thee by the way as you came out of Egypt; how he met you on the road, and struck those of you at the back, all that were weak in thy rear, when you were tired and worn down-- and he did not fear G!d. **19** Therefore it shall be, when G!d gives you rest from all your enemies around you, in the land which the LORD thy G!d gives you for an inheritance to possess it, that you shalt blot out the memory of Amalek from under heaven. Do not forget!

MISHNA: A man may neither go out on Shabbat with a sword, nor with a bow, nor with a shield, nor with an *alla*, nor with a spear. And if he unwittingly went out with one of these weapons to the public domain he is liable to bring a sin-offering. Rabbi Eliezer says: These weapons are ornaments for him-- so just as a person is permitted to go out into the public domain with other ornaments, he is permitted to go out with weapons. And the Rabbis say: *They are nothing other than reprehensible and in the future they will be eliminated, as it is written: "And they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation will not raise sword against nation, neither will they learn war anymore"* (Isaiah 2:4). - Mishnah Shabbat 63a

TALMUD: Rabba and Rabbi Zeira prepared a Purim feast with each other, and they became drunk to the point that Rabba arose and slaughtered Rabbi Zeira. The next day, when he became sober and realized what he had done, Rabba asked God for mercy, and revived him. The next year, Rabba said to Rabbi Zeira: Let the Master come and let us prepare the Purim feast with each other. He said to him: Miracles do not happen each and every hour, and I do not want to undergo that experience again. - Talmud Bavli Megilla 7b

PURIM 5778: Party Hard, STAY WOKE

THIS Wednesday February 28th • 6:00pm - 10:00pm

Dovetail Brewery • 1800 W Belle Plaine Ave

Last year, we declared Vashti-like resistance on the incivility of life in Achashverosh's kingdom. This year, it's all about staying awake! **Join us for the full Megillah, snarky spiel, drinking, dancing, adult party games, and a conceptual costume throw down.** Cover includes an open bar (with non-alcoholic options) and food! \$25 (\$15 for Builders), \$30 at the door. Doors at 6, Spiel at 6:30 then....party!

****THERE WILL BE ASL (American Sign Language) interpretation at Purim.****

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HESED & HODA'AH/love and gratitude

Mazal tov to **Rebecca Mervis** and big brother Eli Mervis on the birth of Julian Hai Mervis, brought into the covenant this week. And another **mazal tov** to Mishkan Leadership Fellow and indie rocker **Ezra Furman** as he kicks off his world tour!

Very Happy Birthday (this week) to: **Leah Burstein, Tom Ginsburg, Sandi Yatvin, Rachel Horowitz & Laura Miller.**

Love Teamers ON tonight: **Rachel Bryan, Doug Winkelstein, Sam Steiber, Rachel Brustein & Scott Hirsch.** THANK YOU for your hands, hearts & smiles.

Hungry for Discussion? Join **James Evans** for a discussion on **Parsha Tetzavveh: Turning Mundane Tasks into a Spiritual Practice** during dinner.

Don't be a wilde chaya (that's Yiddish, for wild animal). We love sharing shabbos dinner with you. **Please help us by cleaning up after** yourself. Want to contribute toward the cost of a meal for the community, for a special occasion or just because you're feeling generous? Write Natalie admin@mishkanchicago.org.

Here for the first time? Come say hello to **Ellie Spitz** or any of our staff, or **Love Team** on so we can shower you with love! Get on the Mishkan email list at www.mishkanchicago.org and get in our FB group and follow us on Instagram too. **Congrats? Condolences? Want to let us know that someone needs a little love?** Contact Hillary Gimpel at support@mishkanchicago.org. **Be a Lover!** Contact James Evans at LoveTeam@mishkanchicago.org hear about the Love Team.

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La'Yehudim hayita orah v'simcha v'sasson v'ikar. Ken tih'yeh lanu.

For us, let there be light, joy, gladness, and righteousness. Yes, yes, let it be.

- Megilla 8:16

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