

# חברים

## CHAVERIM

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## Counting, Reflecting, and Looking Ahead to Better Days

As Jews and those Jewishly adjacent, our life is built upon many different and often competing experiences: the individual, familial, local, and broader Jewish communal. That means that from time to time, our own life experience might differ greatly to that which is happening with our family, our city, or even the Jewish community. We might be celebrating joyous news, but our Jewish calendar is about to enter Yom Kippur. Or on the reverse, we might be saddened by loss while the Jewish community celebrates the downfall of Haman during Purim, our most joyous day.

I find it most profound when the Jewish calendar and our own personal life experience seem to intersect at similar moments of emotion. Interestingly enough, we are at one of those moments right now, *Sefirat HaOmer*, the Counting of the Omer, the 50 day period between Passover and Shavuot. Traditionally, the Counting of the Omer was a moment where biblical Jews brought barley crops to the Temple in Jerusalem as gifts to the Holy One. It also became a moment of counting, as the people moved from the experience of redemption at Passover to preparing for the gift of the Torah on Shavuot.

Over time, *Sefirat HaOmer* became a sad time in our tradition. There were many massacres that happened during the arrival of springtime after Passover concluded. From the death of Rabbi Akiva at the hands of the Romans, to the Crusades in the Middle Ages, to Hitler's many killings of European Jews, our people throughout the ages saw this period as a time to mourn the past and reflect upon the present. Traditionally, Jews didn't cut their hair during these fifty days and no weddings or communal celebrations occurred. These fifty days became a moment of reflection.

Yet, it wasn't all tears and mourning. *Sefirat HaOmer* was also a moment to look forward to what happens next. The shaggy Jews, some with big beards who didn't cut their hair, and the entire community that refrained from celebrating communally finally arrived on the fiftieth day. Although this was a period of consolation, there was always the hope that each day

brought us one step closer to the fiftieth when we could once again sing, join together, and be joyous!

The challenge for us today, is that we don't know when the fiftieth day will arrive. Each evening, we continue to count another day of coronavirus that has passed, but it's hard to know if there are 20, 60, or even 180 more days of our current situation. Yet we do know that one day, hopefully sometime soon, we will arrive at the fiftieth, when our mourning, consolation, and refraining from being separated will end.

And so, we do what those who came before us did: we count, we reflect, and we look forward to a new day. As a congregation, we continue to do these things during our Friday evening services, during our social gatherings, our Sunday morning Hebrew School, Torah Study, or the early morning Boker Tov Minyan. Although we gather virtually, we still are together in spirit as we comfort and console, as we hope and dream for a better tomorrow.

B'shalom,

*Andy*



BOKER TOV MTNYAN

Join Rabbi Gordon for a morning check-in and meditation experience. We'll gather at 8:00 AM for chanting, prayers of healing, meditation, and time to reflect as the day begins.

Check BSS emails for upcoming gatherings.



## From the President

For many of us during this coronavirus shutdown, home is doubling as an office, gym, restaurant, school, rec center, concert hall, art studio, and more. I am glad for this opportunity to ask how you're managing. Are you and your loved ones well? Has social distancing become any easier? Have you settled into a routine? Have you discovered anything new about yourself, your home, your relationships, your tolerance for sameness, and so on?

Ralph and I miss visiting with our children and grandchildren from the west coast. I miss swimming and seeing friends closer than six feet away. I miss being at Bolton Street Synagogue, although I visit remotely at least twice a week. You may know that Shabbat services are very popular. Sometimes we have more virtual attendees than in our sanctuary.

Our building is secure. Hope Ratner and Justine Abel cover the front office from their respective homes. Robin and David Kantor and Abe Wasserberger are making sure that flowers, plants, grasses, and trees flourish and don't overrun their gardens. Rabbi Gordon would probably say he's working no less hard than usual. Jillian Manko's energy is contagious, even by Zoom, and the Religious School staff and families are so grateful. As for me, I'm attending a lot of Board and committee and community meetings by Zoom and doing the usual tasks of a synagogue president. Thank you to everyone who's stepping up as participants and leaders.

Nancy Riess and her ingenious team have an exciting 2020 Bolton Street Synagogue Virtual Concert & Auction planned, from a gourmet menu to music to one-of-a-kind auction items including handcrafted cedar Adirondack chairs and free university instruction. If you haven't purchased tickets yet or decided on becoming a sponsor, there is still time. Visit <https://event.auctria.com/4eb6e1f1-ec1b-488c-89d0-700b2ece2d22/aa6cd270-8751-11e9-a741-3fcfb35cbb0>.

The Bolton Street Annual Meeting has a new date, Wednesday, June 24. The Annual Meeting is where the

Rabbi, President, and Treasurer present reports to the congregation and where voting for new members of the Board of Trustees take place. The assumption is that we won't be ready to meet in large groups by then, so it'll be a Zoom meeting and vote.

In other words, everything is going smoothly. As for re-opening our building, we'll be following all safety recommendations. Schedules for services, religious school, meetings, social events are fluid, of course, until the coronavirus shutdown is over. *Bolton Street News* is a great source of info. You can always contact me, too (410-491-8370; [president@boltonstreet.org](mailto:president@boltonstreet.org)). Stay tuned. Please stay in touch.

Shalom,

*Alaine*

Cory Hermann officially begins her duties as our Director of Education on July 1, 2020. Over the next few weeks, many in our congregation will have an opportunity to meet Cory virtually, especially our students, religious school families, and our teachers.



Cory has over 25 years experience as Director of Education, Family Educator, and Youth Director. She is a BS in Elementary Education from University of Delaware and an MSW from Adelphi University. She is a graduate of the Leadership Institute, a joint program of HUC-JIR and JTS, funded by UJA Federation of NY. Cory lives in Owings Mills with her husband, Barak, and their three teen/adult boys, Jake, Zach and Jonah. She is thrilled to be joining Bolton Street Synagogue as an educator and is excited to bring her love of Jewish education, joy of song leading and passion for working with families to the Bolton Street Synagogue community.

We are thrilled to welcome Cory and her family into our Bolton Street Synagogue community. We look forward to much



## Religious School News

I knew saying “Goodbye” to this role would be difficult, but I never could have imagined a goodbye like this! I never could have imagined an experience like this. I never could have imagined a community like this. I *certainly* could have never imagined a love and an appreciation like this.

Over these last few weeks where we’ve all been social distancing, I can’t help but feel a sense of sadness that I never got to properly take in all of the things that I will miss about my time here. I had been mentally preparing for the moment at the end of May where I would open up the school by myself; the sun hitting our beautiful stained glass in just the perfect way as it playfully leads me into the empty social hall for the last time. From there, I’d close my eyes to take one last calming breath and envision the chaos that would ensue. I’d unlock the classrooms for the last time, writing a special note on all of the classroom white boards reminding the students, madrichim, and teachers how grateful I am to have had them by my side this past year, and some, the past three years. I’d then prepare for our usual last day.

In our final assembly and last minyan we’d begin with “**Hinei Ma Tov**” and I’d look around at our community singing together “**How good it is, How Sweet it is**” and I’d look up in the sanctuary to the beautiful tented ceilings arching overhead. I’d look at the beautiful hand embroidered ark, and feel a sense of community. At this point, I’d be holding back lots of tears, then, after seeing and hearing all in the room chant these familiar, now instinctive words, I’d inevitably allow some tears to spill.

Yet here I sit, writing this on a gloomy, rainy day from my kitchen, not in the sanctuary, and tears are falling. Tears thinking **How good it is!** because I have gotten to know this outstanding community; proud of our remarkable growth in the past three years, proud of the relationship to Judaism and our sense of community that has been instilled in both our students and their families. Tears remembering **How sweet it is!** how nervous new families and children sat at the table in my office, merely exploring Religious School options, now beam with joy walking proudly through our doors hoping

to be the one holding the Havdalah candle. Tears shed remembering **Hinei Ma Tov!** our first monthly Tot Shabbat, those same Tots who are now old enough to chant Shema and V’ahavta on the bima alongside Rabbi Gordon and Nomi during Minyan on Sunday mornings. More tears thinking **How good it is!** for the support from Kehillah, who helped me work out the kinks and find the supplies to bring my eccentric ideas to life. Tears shed remembering **How sweet it is!** while the teachers collaborated with their Madrichim, lingering (in the best way) long after school had ended to passionately tell me about their new ideas, or something transformative that happened during class. **Hinei Ma Tov!**

Smiling, I now realize this is not the goodbye I had envisioned, but maybe this is the perfect sendoff. Maybe this is exactly how it’s supposed to be, because this really isn’t goodbye. I will carry my love, respect, and gratitude for this community in my heart for the rest of my life.

Thank you, BSS, for opening your arms to me and my family. Working here has been an absolute joy and a privilege. **How good it is, and how sweet it is to have been so warmly welcomed into this community.**

*Jmanko*

SUNDAY, MAY 17  
@ 10:00 AM

Join us as we gather to  
**CELEBRATE & THANK**  
JILLIAN MANKO

Although we all shall miss her,  
we wish her the very best!



**TOT SHABBAT**  
Friday, May 8 at 5:30pm

Look for Zoom login info in eNews

**TAKING HOLD OF TORAH**

WITH RABBI ANDY GORDON



Saturdays at 9:30 am  
Check weekly e-mail for Zoom links



*Shavuot Tikkun*  
*Thursday May 28th*  
*Time TBD*

The evening of Shavuot is traditionally a time to study until dawn. Join Bolton Street Synagogue and local Reform and Conservative synagogues of greater Baltimore for a Virtual Night of Study. We'll learn, study, and finding spiritual nourishment!

**BSS ANNUAL MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, June 24 at 7:00pm**

By remote participation & voting

Join us as the Rabbi, President, & Treasurer deliver their "State of the Union" addresses and the congregation votes on new Board of Trustees nominees.

***More information to follow.***

## Volunteer and Donation Opportunities

### Bolton Street Community



Our **Caring Committee** has formed a “**Chicken Soup Brigade**” to deliver the nourishing elixir to the door of people who are sick.

- **Volunteers Needed:** If you would like to prepare soup or help out with delivering some essentials or willing to check-in with a congregant by phone once or twice a week, please inform Joy Mandel ([jmandel951@gmail.com](mailto:jmandel951@gmail.com)) who will provide instructions about storage and delivery.
- If you are ill and would like a soup delivery, be sure to contact Hope Ratner ([hratner@boltonstreet.org](mailto:hratner@boltonstreet.org)) or Justine Abel ([jabel@boltonstreet.org](mailto:jabel@boltonstreet.org))
- If you need extra assistance, please reach out and we will try our best to help.

Our Bolton Street Synagogue Board of Trustees has reached out to the congregation by phone or e-mail expressing support during this long stretch at home. If you haven't received a check-in call or are looking for support, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Our opportunities to connect with each other occur almost daily, from familiarly joyful religious services and religious school to lively Torah study to a newly established virtual meeting of Bolton Street members.



### Baltimore Community

Bolton Street Synagogue is known for its members' care for the larger community. Here are ways you can participate in programs established by our friends:

**BUILD** members and staff have launched an **emergency food program** to prepare and deliver meals for 550 Baltimore households in need at a cost of \$1.22 per meal. Meals will be prepared and delivered via several member institutions to neighbors' homes. \$50 feeds 6 families for a week. \$120 feeds 14 families for a week. Use this link to donate through the BUILD general fund: <https://www.buuildiaf.org/donate/>

**JVC, Jewish Volunteer Connection**, an agency of The Associated has been monitoring the evolving COVID-19 pandemic, working closely with social service partners. There are numerous hands-on volunteer opportunities, virtual volunteer opportunities, and donation opportunities: [www.jvcbaltimore.org/covid19](http://www.jvcbaltimore.org/covid19)

East-Baltimore-based, BUILD-affiliated housing non-profit, **ReBUILD Metro**, is delivering **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)** care packages to their 300 residents at a cost of \$9 per package. \$45 provides for 5 families. Use this link to donate through ReBUILD: <https://rebuildmetro.com/donate/>

The **Maryland Food Bank** has seen the need for access to food soar during this crisis. Use this link to donate: <https://mdfoodbank.org/donate/>

If you are interested in sharing your time, the **Baltimore Neighbors Network** is a newly formed alliance of organizations and congregations in Baltimore uniting to offer emotional support to isolated residents. Training will be provided to volunteers who will make calls to those in need. Mental health professionals are also needed for follow-up. To help as a volunteer or to offer professional help, use this link: <https://baltimoreneighborsnetwork.org>

**BUILD** is seeking out stories about families with children in City Schools who lack digital access to continue their education. If you have stories to share, please reach out to Nick Windt, a member of our Bolton Street BUILD team: [nwseldes@yahoo.com](mailto:nwseldes@yahoo.com)

## Annual Fund

During these extraordinary times, we are all looking for ways to emotionally and financially support our families as well as the communities that we are a part of. Many of us are giving of our time and money to individuals and groups that are especially hard hit by Covid-19: city school children, immigrant groups, the food insecure, local restaurants and other small businesses...the list goes on and on.

At Bolton Street, we pride ourselves on looking out for each other and for our beloved but beleaguered city of Baltimore. We will continue to do so individually and collectively.

To date we have raised \$76,100 in gifts or pledges towards our Annual Fund goal of \$80,000. In the coming month, we will be sending reminders to members who pledged in the fall and still owe money on their pledge. If you are in a position to make a new or an additional gift, please be a part of the collective strength of our community. Donations can be made through the Bolton Street website or checks can be mailed directly to the synagogue. Thank you!

The following members have already shown their commitment to Bolton Street with a generous gift or pledge. (Contributions or pledges as of April 28, 2020.) For more information contact Nancy Savage, [nandsav@gmail.com](mailto:nandsav@gmail.com).

Greg Abel & Jennifer Mendelsohn  
Abe Wasserberger & Lissa Abrams  
Rebecca Alford & Andrew Ross  
Frank Baitman  
Robert & Susan Baron  
Leah Barron & Nick Tomasino  
Judy Bass & Fernando Goes  
Randi Reichel & John Benner  
Susan Bennett  
Scott & Gail Berkenblit  
Bernard Berkowitz  
Lewis Berman  
Peter Berns & Melissa Zieve  
Peggy Brennecke & Mark Hyman  
Gary Felser & Debra Brown-Felser  
Robert & Karen Brown  
Stuart Caplan & Rachel Levine  
Jay Steinmetz & Claire Carberry  
Doug & Nancy Carrey-Beaver  
Louis & Danielle Citron  
Irving Reti & Dexter Clark  
Andy & Dawn Cohen  
Vicki Cohen  
Steven Cohen & Jeffrey Williams  
Joel Cohn  
David & Amanda Conn  
Caroline Dennis  
Jeffrey & Joan Dier  
Marion Ehrlich

Scott Feeser & Elisabeth Liebow  
Noam & Paige Finkelstein  
Mark Giuliano & Cathy Raab  
Andy Gordon & Brian ten Siethoff  
Judith Gottlieb  
Lois Gould & Joe Hunt  
Barbara & David Greene  
Michael & Gail Green  
Marc & Amy Halushka  
David & Anne Hamburger  
Alison Hartman  
Marc & Chris Hartstein  
Edward Herskovits & Mary Louise Stover  
Sandra & Thomas Hess  
Cheryl Hindes & Steve Snyder  
Eric & Ingrid Holzman  
Larry Wissow & Nancy Hutton  
Dana Johnson & Salem Reiner  
David & Robin Kantor  
Ken & Jeannette Karpay  
Harold Weisbaum & Sharon Krevor-Weisbaum  
David Sternberg & Reagan Lake  
Paul Levine  
Miriam Lupien  
Stanley Scherr & William Magruder  
Joy Mandel & Tim Nehl  
Russell & Leslie Margolis  
Collin McFall & Rachel Niedermayer

John McGready & Roni Neff  
David Meyers & Roberta Strickler  
Douglas & Alexis Mogul  
Reed & Sheila Morrison  
Jeffrey Stern & Joyce Moskovitz  
Felipe Munoz-Castillo  
Richard & Donna Neuworth  
David & Julie Newman-Toker  
Theresa Nicol  
Abe & Ling Novick  
Ralph Raphael & Elaine Richman  
David & Lauren Rauseo  
Jordan Thomsen & Cara Richman  
Adam & Nancy Riess  
June Sachs  
Elisabeth Sachs & David Sheehy  
Nancy Savage  
Aaron Schneiderman & Sarah Sette  
Adam & Marisa Sheingate  
Sara Slaff  
David & Diana Speer  
Danie & Diane Stillman  
Sheila Thaler  
Carol & Rob Van Besien  
Mitch & Penny Wald  
Alex & Jordan Walker  
Bayla Weisbart  
Marc Wernick  
Ethel Zelenske

### Electronic/Digital Communication

While we continue to work remotely from home, we will be taking the opportunity to move most of our communications to electronic/digital form. This, in turn, will also serve as a way to conserve resources as well as save money. Starting in May, we will be sending acknowledgement letters that serve as tax receipts (such as contribution and thank yous) by email.

We appreciate your patience as we work out the kinks remotely with our contract database managers. The email is being sent from Justine. At this point in time, the sender address will look like this:  
[jabel@boltonstreet.org](mailto:jabel@boltonstreet.org) via [amazonses.com](https://amazonses.com).

As a rule, the thank you emails will be emailed to the first person in each family in our records. If someone else should receive the emails, or if you need a hard copy of an acknowledgement letter, please let Justine know ([jabel@boltonstreet.org](mailto:jabel@boltonstreet.org)).

***Thank you for your patience and understanding.***

## Yahrzeits

### May 2020

5/1/2020	Elinor S. Conn, mother of David Conn
5/2/2020	Donald Kreshtool, brother of Barbara Anderson
5/4/2020	Harold Klivans, father of Sandra Hess & grandfather of Nancy Savage
5/5/2020	Doris Rubin Bennett, mother of Susan Bennett
5/6/2020	Shirley Simon, mother of Eleanor Simon
5/7/2020	Herman Reichel, father of Randi Reichel
5/7/2020	Barbara Gerstenberg Prasse, aunt of Marion Ehrlich
5/8/2020	Jerome H. Horowitz, grandfather of Aviram Giladi
5/10/2020	Sophia H. Cohen, mother of Helene Breazeale
5/14/2020	Louise Myerberg, mother of Wendy Jachman
5/17/2020	Albert Weiner, grandfather of Leslie Margolis
5/19/2020	Kevin Kamenetz, uncle of Daniel Kamenetz
5/20/2020	Florence Novick, mother of Abe Novick
5/22/2020	Albert Richman, father of Elaine Richman
5/22/2020	Constance F. Tallarico, mother of Pat Gilstein
5/23/2020	Sam Blank, grandfather of Louis Blank
5/24/2020	Stanley Krohn, uncle of Lissa Abrams
5/25/2020	Goldye Selig, mother of Linda Blonsley
5/28/2020	Howard Jachman, husband of Wendy Jachman
5/29/2020	June Finkelstein, mother of Noam Finkelstein
5/30/2020	Babette K. Stern, mother of Jeffrey Stern

### June 2020

6/1/2020	Mary Ann Siedner, mother of Karen Brown
6/3/2020	Henry H. Krevor, father of Sharon Krevor-Weisbaum
6/4/2020	Maurice Rubin, father of Amy Rubin
6/5/2020	Bernice Herz, sister-in-law of Bernard Berkowitz
6/6/2020	Geoffrey MacLellan, friend of Louis Blank
6/7/2020	Jacques Zielinski, cousin of Ethel Zelenske
6/8/2020	Vickie Brown, friend of Lyn Watner
6/9/2020	Chaim Zielinski, father of Ethel Zelenske
6/10/2020	Haen Kobell, mother of Rona Kobell
6/12/2020	Edwin Raab, father of Cathy Raab
6/14/2020	Lenore Berman, mother of Lewis Berman
6/14/2020	Fanita Damie Stillman, mother of Damie Stillman
6/16/2020	Lee Hammel, brother-in-law of Abe Novick
6/17/2020	Frank Siedner, father of Karen Brown
6/19/2020	Ruth Friedman, grandmother of Louis Blank
6/19/2020	Timothy Kelleher, father of Lauren Kelleher
6/19/2020	Nanette Raab, mother of Cathy Raab
6/20/2020	Phyllis Lippman, grandmother of Dena Shaffer
6/23/2020	Evelyn Reichel, mother of Randi Reichel
6/23/2020	Marion Wishnie, grandmother of Melissa Zieve & great-grandmother of Rose Berns-Zieve
6/26/2020	Phyllis Lippman, grandmother of Dena Shaffer
6/27/2020	Herbert Weil, father of Alexandra Weil
6/30/2020	Greta Gutwillig, grandmother of Allison Gutwillig
6/30/2020	Bobbe Karpay, mother of Ken Karpay
6/30/2020	Timothy Kelleher, father of Lauren Kelleher
6/30/2020	Nathan Seid, grandfather of Leslie Margolis

## Contributions 2/22/2020 through 4/23/2020

### Leadership Development Fund

Ralph Raphael & Elaine Richman in honor of Leslie Margolis's birthday

### Library & Lifelong Learning Fund

Linda Blonsley in memory of Zel Selig

Russell & Leslie Margolis in memory of Paul Seid

### Melvin Cohen Social Action Fund

Jeffrey & Joan Dier in memory of Philip Dier

Alison Hartman in memory of Adam Fishman

Alison Hartman in memory of Tony Lupien

Russell & Leslie Margolis in memory of Helen Margolis

### Mishkan T'filah Bookplate

Beth Raymond

June Sacks

### Music and Worship Fund

David & Anne Hamburger in memory of Robert Weitz

Russell & Leslie Margolis in memory of Agi Rado

Russell & Leslie Margolis in memory of Tillie Seid

Ethel Zelenske in honor of Leslie's Margolis's birthday

### Operating Fund

Abe Wasserberger & Lissa Abrams in memory of Sidney Abrams

Bonnie & Harvey Bennett in honor of Lily Warren's bat mitzvah

Bernard Berkowitz in memory of Max Berkowitz

David & Amanda Conn in memory of Elinor S. Conn

Marc & Chris Hartstein in memory of Evelyn Bash

David Hyman & Farah Jimenez in honor of Peggy Brennecke

Miriam Lupien in memory of Tony Lupien

David Meyers & Roberta Strickler in memory of Leon & Shirley Meyers

Joyce Moskowitz & Jeffrey Stern in memory of Ida Moskowitz

Damie & Diane Stillman in memory of Solomon Brandt

Sheila Thaler in honor of Peggy Brennecke

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Louis Blank

Jeffrey & Joan Dier in memory of Sylvia Dier

Lois Gould & Joe Hunt in gratitude for Lois Gould and Joe Hunt's wedding

Miriam Lupien in appreciation of Rabbi Gordon's leadership in these times

Russell & Leslie Margolis in memory of Edward Margolis

Ruth Rosenberg in memory of Anna & Samuel Sterling

Nancy Savage

### Mike Zabner Youth Education Scholarship Fund

Marissa Feinsilver & Joseph Urban in memory of David Feinsilver

Lisa Zabner in memory of Mike Zabner

Ethel Zelenske in memory of Gayle Hafner

**May 2020**

1	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service with Rabbi Andy Gordon & Cantor Karen Webber
2	9:30 AM	Taking Hold of Torah
3	9:00 AM	Religious School
5	4:00 PM	<b>60's+ Baltimore City Elections Meeting</b>
6	7:00 PM	School Parents Meet and Greet with Cory Hermann
7	12:00 PM	Lunch & Learn: Psalms
8	5:30 PM	Tot Shabbat
	7:30 PM	Shabbat Service with Rabbi Gordon, Mark Giuliano, & Leslie Seid Margolis
9	9:30 AM	Taking Hold of Torah
	7:00 PM	Spring Fundraiser
10	9:00 AM	Religious School
15	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service with Rabbi Andy Gordon & Keith Adams
16	9:30 AM	Taking Hold of Torah
17	9:00 AM	Religious School - Last day
	10:00 AM	Celebration of Jillian Manko
21	7:00 PM	Membership Engagement Committee meeting
22	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service led by Rabbi Andy Gordon & Cantor Karen Webber
23	9:30 AM	Taking Hold of Torah
27	7:00 PM	Board of Trustees meeting
28	7:30 PM	Baltimore Virtual Shavuot Tikkun
29	7:30 PM	Shabbat Service led by Rabbi Andy Gordon and Keith Adams
30	10:00 AM	Shavuot Festival Service and Yizkor

**Please check your e-mails for more upcoming Lunch and Learns, social programs, and gatherings for all ages that will be happening remotely in May and June.**

**June 2020**

3	7:00 PM	Social Action Committee meeting
3	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service led by Rabbi Andy Gordon & Cantor Karen Webber
6	9:30 AM	Taking Hold of Torah
12	7:30 AM	Shabbat Service led by Rabbi Gordon & Keith Adams
13	9:30 AM	Taking Hold of Torah
19	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service led by Rabbi Gordon & Shir Chadash
20	9:30 AM	Taking Hold of Torah
24	7:00 PM	Annual meeting
26	7:30 PM	Shabbat Service led by Rabbi Gordon & Keith Adams

**BSS 60's+ Groups**

As a sizeable portion of our membership is of a certain age, now seemed like a good time to start the BSS 60's+ group. Since so many of us are at home and need an excuse to get out of our night time pajamas and into our daytime jammies, we started programming that is currently meeting weekly. We expect to meet bi-weekly or monthly in the future.

The first sessions have included/will include:

- Lewis Berman playing the piano for us and we discussed the importance of music in our lives.
- A discussion about the books we are reading during our time at home right now.
- A wine tasting discussion led by Elaine
- A discussion of the upcoming city elections.

We would love to hear from you:

- What types of programming would you like to see or hear?
- Do you have an area of interest you would like to talk about?
- Do you have suggestions for a better name?

Please contact Joy Mandel ([jmandel951@gmail.com](mailto:jmandel951@gmail.com)) or Elaine Richman ([President@boltonstreet.org](mailto:President@boltonstreet.org)) with your ideas.

Hope to "see" you soon!!