

Welcome Message Community Seder Sale of Chametz Service Schedule Prayer for the Hostages



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Dear Friends,

This year, as we gather around our Seder tables, we will no doubt hold dear in our hearts our brothers and sisters in Israel, while focusing on the release of those held captive. This year, more than ever, reminds us of the ultimate purpose of the Pesach, to be a free people in our homeland, buoyed by tradition, faith, and peoplehood.

As we retell the story and discuss the symbolism attached to each of the items on the Seder plate, our tradition encourages us to reflect on the many blessings in our lives, even during this difficult time. And while Pesach represents our physical liberation, we must be cognizant always of the gift of Torah, our spiritual uniqueness, and our holy mission to repair the world through Hashem's kingship.

I believe our Torah traditions, accompanied by a steadfast, collective commitment to learning, prayer, community, and peace, will help us navigate the holiday and motivate us, as a congregation, to lend our small voices as part of the larger voice for Jewish freedom all over the globe.

At the conclusion of the Seder, when we chant, "Next Year in Jerusalem," let us not take for granted the gift of Eretz Yisrael. Rather, as we chant, let us rededicate ourselves to the sacred mission of hope, peace, justice, joy, unity, and love.

To begin your preparations for Pesach, please see the accompanying materials:

- 1) 2nd Night Community Seder Sign-up Form
- 2) Contract for the Sale of Chametz
- 3) Holiday Service Schedule

Finally, as we enter our busy season of cleaning and preparing, I am joined by the leadership of CBIOTP in wishing each of you a meaningful and joyous holiday and a week filled with song, celebration, matzah, and laughter.

A Sweet and Kosher Pesach, Rabbi Eric L Wasser, EdD.

2nd Night Community Seder



Join us for an interactive community Seder on the second night of Passover!

We will retell the story of our ancestors' exodus from Egypt. We will discuss the symbolism attached to each of the items on the Seder plate. We will reflect on the many blessings in our lives. We will eat a festive meal!

Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Start Time: 6:30PM.

Cost: \$75 per person

Names of Guests:_____

PAID reservations are due to the synagogue office by Thursday, April 11, 2024 @ 5PM.

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Contract for the Sale of Chametz for Pesach 5784

I, _____, hereby appoint Rabbi Eric Wasser to act as my agent and sell all Chametz that will be in my possession as of 10:00AM on Sunday, April 21, 2024.

Address: Location of Chametz: Approximate Value:

I further authorize Rabbi Eric Wasser to act in my stead and empower him to do all that is required to make such a sale valid such that I conform to the Halachic requirements and restrictions regarding the possession of Chametz over Pesach. I hereby also agree to any Agreement of Sale (Shetar Mechirah) that Rabbi may use for this purpose, as part of this authorization.

SIGNED/DATE:

It is customary to include a contribution to the synagogue in an amount equal to or greater than \$18.00 at this time of year.

Optional: _____

I am enclosing/pledging a contribution for Maot Chittim (Passover Charity) to help others less fortunate, to celebrate the holiday.

Amount \$ ____.00

RABBI WASSER MUST RECEIVE COMPLETED CONTRACTS BY FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024

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Passover Service Schedule for 5784/2024



Sunday, April 21, 2024:

After dark: Search for chametz

Monday, April 22, 2024:

7:00pm: Family Seders - No synagogue service

Tuesday, April 23, 2024:

10:00am: Day One of Pesach @CBIOTP & on Zoom 6:30pm: 2nd Seder @ CBIOTP with Rabbi Wasser (RSVP required)

Wednesday, April 24, 2024: 10:00am: Day Two of Pesach @CBIOTP & on Zoom

Saturday, April 27, 2024: 10:00 am: Shabbat Chol Hamoed @CBIOTP & on Zoom

Monday, April 29 – Tuesday, April 30 – Concluding Days: 10:00am: Shacharit @ CBIOTP (Yizkor on Tuesday at 10:45am)

A PRAYER FOR THE HOSTAGES

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