Welcome to
The Liberal Jewish Synagogue Live Stream of our Shabbat Morning Service

עברית שלום
Shabbat Shalom

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The service can be found in our prayer book, Siddur Lev Chadash on page 105 and will be led by Rabbi Igor Zinkov

If you don't possess our Siddur, we invite you to listen to the prayers and music. We hope that in a few days we will have an online version of the Siddur and you will be able to follow our service over the next few weeks.

The first part of this service is divided into four sections:

- **Birchot Ha-Shachar** - Morning Blessings asking God to help us direct our thoughts to God’s service
- **Pesukei d’Zimra** - Verses of Song that include blessings and psalms of praise
- **Shema** and blessings - the central affirmation of our faith is preceded by two blessings on the theme of creation and the centrality of the Torah in Jewish life and followed by a blessing that extols God who redeemed us from slavery and oppression
- **Tefillah** - the central daily prayer, composed of seven blessings of praise and thanksgiving.

This section ends with a few moments for our own silent prayers
The service that introduces the Torah reading can be found on page 481 and will be read by Rabbi Alexandra Wright

Torah Reading: Exodus 40:28-38

Then he [Moses] put up the screen for the entrance of the Tabernacle. At the entrance of the Tabernacle of the Tent of Meeting he placed the altar of burnt offering. On it he offered up the burnt offering and the meal offering - as Adonai had commanded Moses. He placed the laver between the Tent of Meeting and the altar, and put water in it for washing. From it Moses and Aaron and his sons would wash their hands and feet; they washed when they entered the Tent of Meeting and when they approached the altar - as Adonai had commanded Moses. And he set up the enclosure around the Tabernacle and the altar, and put up the screen for the gate of the enclosure. When Moses had finished the work, the cloud covered the Tent of Meeting, and the Presence of Adonai filled the Tabernacle. Moses could not enter the Tent of Meeting because the cloud had settled upon it and the Presence of Adonai filled the Tabernacle. When the cloud lifted from the Tabernacle, the Israelites would set out, on their various journeys; but if the cloud did not lift, they would not set out until such time as it did lift. For over the Tabernacle a cloud of Adonai rested by day, and fire would appear in it by night, in the view of all the house of Israel throughout their journeys.

Chazak, chazak v'nit'chazeik

Be strong, be strong and let us strengthen each other

[These are the words that are recited when we conclude each of the five books of the Torah]
Haftarah - 1 Kings 19:3-12
Introduced and read by Rabbi Igor Zinkov

Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, while he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness. He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. ‘I have had enough, THE ETERNAL ONE,’ he said. ‘Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.’ Then he lay down under the bush and fell asleep.

All at once an angel touched him and said, ‘Get up and eat.’ He looked around, and there by his head was some bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again.

The angel of the THE ETERNAL ONE came back a second time and touched him and said, ‘Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you.’ So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he travelled for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God. ‘There he went into a cave and spent the night. And the word of the THE ETERNAL ONE came to him: ‘What are you doing here, Elijah?’

He replied, ‘I have been very zealous for the THE ETERNAL ONE God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.’

The THE ETERNAL ONE said, ‘Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the THE ETERNAL ONE, for the THE ETERNAL ONE is about to pass by.’

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the THE ETERNAL ONE, but the THE ETERNAL ONE was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the THE ETERNAL ONE was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the THE ETERNAL ONE was not in the fire. And after the fire came a a still small voice (a gentle whisper).

Prayers for the Royal Family, Community and Israel, page 484

A prayer for those affected by the coronavirus written by Rabbi Elli Tikvah Sarah

Sermon: Rabbi Alexandra Wright

Aleynu and Kaddish, page 520

Concluding Song, Adon Olam, page 525
We are so grateful to the musicians from the LJS Choir who have come into the Sanctuary to lead the music this morning.

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Announcements

**Services:** For the foreseeable future we will be live streaming our services, please check on our website [www.ljs.org](http://www.ljs.org) or on our Liberal Jewish Synagogue Facebook page for details of forthcoming services.

**The Learning Circle:** Adult education classes. Please consult our website and Facebook page for details of Tuesday Texts, Hebrew classes on Tuesday evenings and on Shabbat mornings. ‘The Gospels and Rabbinic Judaism’ continues with the second in a series of six sessions on ‘The Synagogue’. Speakers: Rabbi Dr Michael Hilton and Reverend Dr Nathan Eddy. A ‘Zoom’ link will be uploaded to our website and Facebook page.

**Pesach Services and Communal Seder:** Details will be available soon about how to live stream these events: Thursday 9 April (First Day Pesach) at 11.00 am and Thursday 9th April (an online Seder for all our members).

We very much regret that our weekly and occasional social and congregational gatherings have been cancelled for the time being.

Thank you so much for joining us this morning. We hope you enjoyed the service.

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