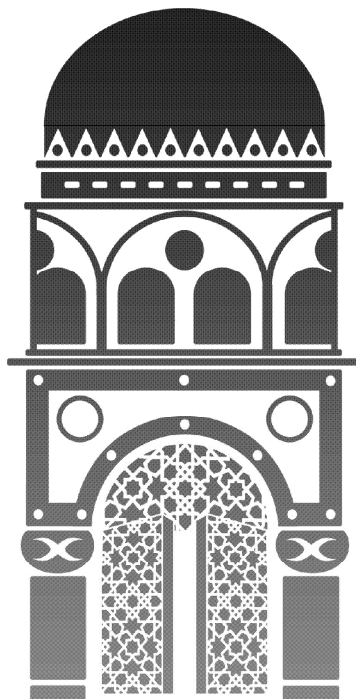


WEST LONDON SYNAGOGUE

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WELCOMES YOU



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SHABBAT SHALOM

6-7 November 2015

25 Cheshvan 5776

SHABBAT SHALOM AND WELCOME TO WEST LONDON SYNAGOGUE

FRIDAY

6.00pm: **Erev Shabbat Service**
Led by Rabbis Julia & Helen
Sermon by Rabbi Julia

7.15pm: **Shabbat Shira**
Led by Rabbi Neil

Wardens: Terry Etherton, David Chapman, Michelle Ross
Beadle: Micky Nathanson

SATURDAY

10.30am: **Coffee Morning**

10.30am: **ShabbaTots**
Led by Rabbi Neil & Avivit

11.00am: **Shabbat Morning Service**
Led by Rabbis Julia, Helen & Neil
Sermon by Rabbi Helen

Wardens: Terry Etherton, David Chapman, Michelle Ross
Beadle: Micky Nathanson

Torah: Genesis 23:1-12
Haftarah: Psalm 15

Please join us in the Stern Hall for kiddush after the service.

The mitzvah of *derech erez-consideration for other people* is really important for us at West London Synagogue, so we would ask you to make sure that your mobile phone is turned off before the service and to leave cameras in your bags. As this is a religious place, we would also ask you to avoid inappropriate clothing or chewing gum during the service. Many thanks for your consideration in following our communal *minhag-traditions*.
The Rabbis and Wardens

Doctor or fully trained first aider?

If you are a doctor or trained first aider please make yourself known to the wardens and beadle.

PARASHAT CHAYYEE SARAH

While Chayyey Sarah may be translated as "Sarah's lifetime," this Torah portion actually tells us about Sarah's death. Abraham seeks to purchase the cave of Machpelah, in Hebron, for her burial. Ephron, the son of Zohar, owns the land, and Abraham bargains with him for the purchase. After the burial, Abraham sends a trusted servant back to his native land to find a wife for Isaac. The servant chooses Rebekah and returns with her to the Land of Israel where Isaac takes her for his wife.

COMMUNITY NEWS

We welcome our guest of honour The Lord Mayor of Westminster Locum Tenens Alderman Michael Brahams and his wife Stephanie

We thank participants of AJEX and WLS, Standard Bearers Lou Myers and Clive Cohen, Bugler Sgt Scott Salker, Hermy Jankel for today's special kiddush, Joan Ansell for her help in organising the service.

We wish Mazal Tov and good wishes to:

- Natasha Barnett and David Jacobs on their Auf Ruf

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 ב וַתָּמָת שָׂרָה בְּקָרִית אַרְבַּע הוּא חֲבֵרוֹן בְּאֶרֶץ כְּנָעַן וַיָּבֹא אַבְרָהָם לְסַפֵּד
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 כ עַם־הָאָרֶץ׃

GENESIS 23:1-12

^{23:1}Sarah's lifetime—the span of Sarah's life—came to one hundred and twenty-seven years. ²Sarah died in Kiriath-arba—now Hebron—in the land of Canaan; and Abraham proceeded to mourn for Sarah and to bewail her. ³Then Abraham rose from beside his dead, and spoke to the Hittites, saying, ⁴"I am a resident alien among you; sell me a burial site among you, that I may remove my dead for burial." ⁵And the Hittites replied to Abraham, saying to him, ⁶"Hear us, my lord: you are the elect of God among us. Bury your dead in the choicest of our burial places; none of us will withhold his burial place from you for burying your dead." ⁷Thereupon Abraham bowed low to the people of the land, the Hittites, ⁸and he said to them, "If it is your wish that I remove my dead for burial, you must agree to intercede for me with Ephron son of Zohar. ⁹Let him sell me the cave of Machpelah that he owns, which is at the edge of his land. Let him sell it to me, at the full price, for a burial site in your midst." ¹⁰Ephron was present among the Hittites; so Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the hearing of the Hittites, all who entered the gate of his town, saying, ¹¹"No, my lord, hear me: I give you the field and I give you the cave that is in it; I give it to you in the presence of my people. Bury your dead." ¹²Then Abraham bowed low before the people of the land.

PSALM 15

A Psalm of David.

God, who may live in Your tent,
who may dwell
on the mountain of Your holiness?

Those who follow integrity
and do what is right
and speak the truth in their heart.

No malice is on their tongue,
they never do wrong to others,
cast no discredit on their neighbour.

The worthless are rejected in their eyes,
but they honour those who fear God.

They swear to their own hurt,
but do not retract.

They lend no money for unfair gain
and take no bribe
against the innocent.

Such people will never be shaken.

SAVE THE DATE

WLS AmDram Performance

Sunday 8 November, 5.00pm

For the past few months, WLS members have been rehearsing a new play which presents and celebrates the history of our community as part of our 175th anniversary. The group of members are theatre fans, not professionals, and so the process has been one of exploration, learning and a great deal of fun, which we look forward to sharing with the audience. Tickets £5 in advance or £7.50 on the door and include a canapé reception. We hope to see many of you there. Please contact Kathryn on 020 7535 0259 or email kathryn.forro@wls.org.uk

The Lyons Institute Chanukah Mini-Series with Rabbi Neil Janes

6.30pm: Dinner, 7.15pm: Start

Monday 9 November: Beauty, piety and holiness - Judaism?

Monday 16 November: Going public - Judaism in the public square

Monday 23 November: The stories we tell - collective memory and history

Monday 30 November: Commanding voices

Book your place now: Special introductory price £45 for all four sessions, 20% discount for WLS members, under 30s and unwaged - pay what you can. Pre-learning dinner option – £15 per head. Booking is essential at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/lyonsinstitute>

Sunday 22 November

7.00pm: The Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment

The Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment is one of the world's great orchestras.

In its 2015–2016 season it celebrates its 30th birthday, and with it 30 years of shocking, inspiring and mesmerising audiences. As part of West London Synagogue's 175th celebrations, the OAE will perform its first-ever concert in a synagogue.

In the glorious setting of West London Synagogue's sanctuary the Orchestra and renowned violinist Rachel Podger will perform, on period-specific instruments, a programme that will take your breath away. Programme: Haydn Symphony No. 6, Le Matin, Mozart Concerto for flute and harp, Bach Concerto for 2 violins in D minor and Haydn Symphony No. 8, Le Soir. Performed by Rachel Podger on violin/director, Lisa Beznosiuk on flute and Frances Kelly on harp.

Tickets £30: call Ronit on 020 7535 0275 or book online at [ticketsource.co.uk/wls175](https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/wls175)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT SHABBAT

13 Nov	Friday Erev Shabbat Service Erev Shabbat Communal Dinner	6.00pm 7.15pm
14 Nov	Saturday Torah Bagel Breakfast Coffee Morning Shabbat Morning Service	9.30am 10.30am 11.00am

NEXT WEEK

8 Nov	Religion School Youth Club Am Dram Performance	10.00am 12.30pm 5.00pm
9 Nov	Parashat Hashavua	12.30pm
10 Nov	Cancer Support Group	7.00pm
11 Nov	Learn to Lein	7.00pm
12 Nov	Kolnoa-Cinema	7.00pm

REGULAR MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

1st & 3rd Fri	Shabbat Shira	7.15pm
2nd & 4th Fri	ShabbaTots Cafe	10.30am
1st Sat	Torah Bagel Breakfast	9.30am
1st & 3rd Sat	ShabbaTots Service	10.30am
2nd Tue	Young Adults Torah on Tap	7.30pm
1st Thu	Kishkushim	7.30pm
2rd Thu	Kolnoa-Cinema	7.00pm
3rd Thu	Seymour Group Kishkushim	12.30pm 7.30pm
4th Shabbat	Shirah Chadashah Service	11.00am
1st Sunday	Contact the Elderly Tea Parties	3.00pm

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sun:	Religion School Sunday Workout - Adult Education Programme WLS Youth Clubs	10.00am 10.00am 1.00pm
Tue:	Berkeley Lunch Club	10.00am
Wed:	Jewish Preparation Classes Adult Ed	6.30pm 8.30pm