

The Newsletter of



Liverpool Reform Synagogue

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Welcome to the spring edition of the Liverpool Reform Synagogue Newsletter which we hope you will find interesting, entertaining, informative and useful. Inside you will find a mixture of news and regular columns on a wide range of topics. Thanks to those of you who have contributed to this issue as these contributions are essential to the newsletter's ongoing success.

In this issue we have an interesting, informative and thought-provoking article from our Rabbi. This documents the story of the 'Windermere Boys', a group of Holocaust survivors who were transported to the Lake District on 14th August 1945.

Also included are articles and photographs of our recent events: Chanukah Party, 90th Dinner Party Celebrations, our Seder celebrating Tu b'Shevat which was held in collaboration with Liverpool's Masorti congregation and our Mental Health Awareness Event. We have also included dates of upcoming services, festivals and events. Please note, times of services will be confirmed via e-mail to all members.

Our Cheder continues to thrive and we are excited to report on the launch of our new Youth Club for young people who are in Years 8 and above (11 – 18 years) which commenced on 15th February.

We are looking forward to the Inter-Faith Delegation to Moravia and arrangements are well underway for this trip.

Sarita Robinson, Director of Community Partnership (North), Reform Judaism has kindly shared a summary of 2018 at Reform Judaism and an introduction to the Holocaust Exhibition and Learning Centre at Huddersfield University.

Susie Gordon introduces 'We Were There Too' which is a unique cross community project created to capture, record and preserve the impact, experience and contribution of Britain's Jewish communities during the First World War.

Please let us know if there are any topics you would like to see covered in the future. We would welcome your contributions so please contact one of the committee members if you would like to include an article or notice of forthcoming events in the next issue.

The Committee would like to wish all members "chag sameach" for the forthcoming festivals and look forward to seeing you at our services and annual seder.

Heartfelt Condolences to: Paul Levinson and his family, on the death of Hershel Levinson aged 90 who passed away on 30th January.

Hershel was a long-term member and past president of the shul and was loved and respected by all.

Standing Together – in Shushan, at Sinai and in Britain

Rabbi Warren Elf

My wife, Simone, and I recently spent a day in the Lake District, starting at Windermere. The weather was cold and wet, not a brilliant day for long walks and enjoying the scenery! After we parked the car we started walking and found ourselves outside the library with a sign saying “From Auschwitz to Ambleside”. We thought that it was an ideal opportunity, as the rain was getting heavier, to have a look.

On the first floor of the library building is a museum that documents the story of “The Windermere Boys”, a group of 260 boys and 40 girls, Holocaust survivors, who were transported after WWII by the Royal Air Force to Windermere. They had all been in extermination and concentration camps during the war and ended up at Theresienstadt.

The British Government had agreed, with pressure from Leonard Montefiore, to accept 1000 Jewish child survivors between the ages of 8 and 15 years old and the first 300 arrived in the Lake District, flown from Prague to Carlisle, on 14 August 1945. The initiative was organised by the Central British Fund in co-ordination with the British Government, the Society of Friends and others.

It is a remarkable story of recovery and resilience, with their journey of rehabilitation focused on shared experiences and the kindness of a community who had never previously met any Jews. The story resurfaced after an exhibition in 2005 commemorating the 60th anniversary of the end of WWII that told the story of the Short Sunderland Flying Boat factory on the Calgarth Estate near Windermere.

Trevor Avery, Director of Another Space and the Lake District Holocaust Project, gave us an incredible introduction to the story, the exhibition and showed us a film they have made shown on BBC of “The Windermere Boys”. This could certainly be part of a synagogue trip to the Lake District if we wanted, so I won't give more away now but it is a fascinating and very moving story. One thing that brought us back to the reality of today was when Trevor told us that recently they have had some negativity and antisemitic activity with SS stickers stuck on the sign outside. In a town where there is little connection with Jews, although one of my colleagues is working to establish a Progressive Jewish community in Cumbria, it is sad to learn that antisemitism reaches these parts too.

At a time when there are resignations from the Labour Party over its inability and unwillingness to deal with antisemitism in its ranks, we are very aware that all sorts of prejudice can be found everywhere. I suppose we all have some form of prejudice, whether we are aware of it or not, and it is important that we try to deal with our own prejudices before we challenge those of others. We are approaching our festival of Purim, a time where we read the story of the first anti-Jewish initiative, the attempt to wipe out all the Jews in the empire of Antiochus Epiphanes. Before then we had been the Israelites or the Hebrews. In exile and in the diaspora we became the Jews! Mordecai was the first person in the Bible to be labelled ‘the Jew’.

We celebrate the victory over those who wanted to eradicate us, who hated us because we were ‘different’. It is a fun but in some ways complicated festival, but clearly alerts us to the danger of anti-Jewish sentiment and the potential threat to us, even when things seemed fine and we were integrated into society.

One month later we will be celebrating Pesach, the festival of Passover and the celebration of the exodus from Egypt and freedom from slavery. This is also seen as the start of the Jewish People, with the journey towards the Promised Land, receiving Torah on the way at Mount Sinai (which we will celebrate at Shavuot, seven weeks later).

This freedom and the teachings of Torah have been fundamental to the establishment and development of our religion, our understanding of life and our relationships with others – our neighbour and the stranger. We are commanded to love both neighbours and strangers and we are aware that this sometimes takes effort, occasionally in the most difficult of circumstances.

One of the best ways to deal with prejudice must be to talk to and work with others, getting to know them and sharing our ideals and values, our hopes and concerns and even our fears. We live in an ever more complex world, in which we may feel less in control and perplexed by the way things are unfolding. We can, however, influence our relationships and the way we deal with prejudice.

The Windermere Boys left the Calgarth Estate for lives in London, Manchester, Liverpool and other places around the UK and Europe. They managed to lead successful and positive lives after their short rehabilitation period in the Lake District. Many went on to be able to tell their stories and challenge hatred and prejudice. There are only around 20 of them left alive today, so we must ensure that we continue to challenge the same hate and prejudices which are prevalent in our society and world.

As we approach our spring and summer festivals – Purim, Pesach and Shavuot, may we renew ourselves to lead positive Jewish lives and to help make our society and the world a better place.

EVENTS

Chanukah Party

The Chanukah party was a great success and enjoyed by all.



The 90th Birthday Dinner took place on 8th December and was well attended by members of the Shul. Delicious food was enjoyed by all and the Klezmer band provided unforgettable entertainment



Bat Mitzvah Celebrations

The Bat Mitzvah of Madeleine Allaart took place on 2nd February. Madeleine is the daughter of Tanya Hene and Wolbert Allaart. Madeleine confidently led part of the service and her reading of the Torah was excellent. The congregation joined Madeleine on this special day and enjoyed kiddush with the family following the service. We would like to wish Madeleine and her family Mazal Tov on this special occasion.

A Seder with a Difference
LRS joins hands with Masorti Liverpool to celebrate Tu b'Shevat

Susie Gordon

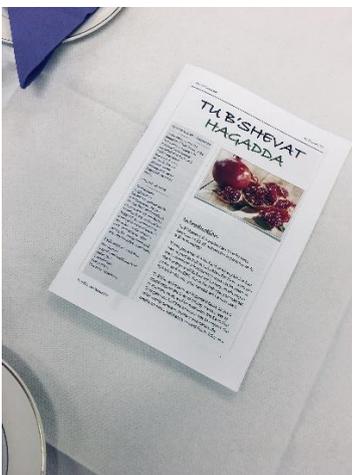
On the afternoon of Sunday 20th January, the Reform shul played host to a seder with a difference. In a collaboration with Liverpool's small but active Masorti congregation, we celebrated one of the winter highlights of the Jewish calendar. Tu b'Shevat – also known as the new year of the trees – is both a harvest festival and an opportunity to think about the environment and how we can treat the Earth more kindly.

By the time the seder began at 3:30pm, the shul hall was full of people, including families with young children, community stalwarts, and familiar faces from other synagogues around the city. The service was led by Rena Pearl from Masorti Liverpool, reading from a hagaddah she had put together herself. Paul and Su Schwartz, also from Masorti Liverpool, were responsible for the festive decorations as well as the fruit and wine, with help from Reform members to set up and coordinate.

Rena's hagaddah followed the Kabbalistic tradition, with four segments punctuated by wine and fruit. The segments mirrored the four levels of Kabbalistic consciousness: Assiyah (actions), Yetzirah (formation), Briyah (creation), and Atzilut (nobility). As with the Pesach seder, each section involved readings by members of the gathering, and meditations on the meaning of the celebration.

As well as the fruit and grape juice, there was plenty to keep the children engaged. Rena had prepared a special hagaddah for the younger members, including pictures to colour and an "environmental bingo" card to fill in. The festive atmosphere was helped along by Vivi Norris playing Tu b'Shevat songs on her charango (an Andean stringed instrument), and the evening culminated in a round of Israeli dancing.

The seder was a great example of both community collaboration and ecological awareness, and will hopefully set a precedent for many more to come.



What is Tu b'Shevat?

Tu b'Shevat is the Jewish new year for trees. Its origins are found in Vayikra 19:23-25: "When you enter the land and plant any kind of fruit tree, regard its fruit as forbidden. For three years you are to consider it forbidden; it must not be eaten. In the fourth year all its fruit will be holy, an offering of praise to Hashem. But in the fifth year you may eat its fruit. In this way your harvest will be increased."

The festival appears in the Mishnah in Tractate Rosh Hashanah as one of the four new years in the Jewish calendar. In the 16th century, the Kabbalists of Tsfat began to mark it with a seder loosely modelled after Pesach, drinking four cups of wine and eating symbolic foods, guided by a hagaddah.

Today, both in Israel and the diaspora, we add an ecological context by planting trees and working towards *tikkun olam*.

Mental Health Awareness

Mental Health Awareness Shabbat took place on 12th January 2019 and Liverpool Reform Shul along with communities across the country supported this occasion. Liverpool Reform Shul chose to host an informal workshop to help us look at our health and wellbeing. The event was led by Simone Cohen and Lynne Saville of 'Inspired You' and was attended by a small but enthusiastic group of members. Lively discussion took place as to what contributed to our wellbeing and Simone and Lynne led the discussion on topics including diet and healthy alternatives to our favourite foods, exercise and how to achieve quality sleep. We also discussed the value of Shabbat to our wellbeing and how trying to incorporate some enjoyable / relaxing / sociable aspects in the day can be very beneficial. The group enjoyed healthy and delicious chocolate protein balls and fruit provided by Simone and Lynne and all agreed that the evening had been thoroughly enjoyable and look forward to the next event.



Health Eating Recipe – Date and Nut Balls

Ingredients

200g pitted dates
50g goji berries

250g raw mixed nuts
2 tsps cocoa powder

1/4 tsp chilli powder

Put all the ingredients into a food processor and process on the highest setting to produce a smooth dough like texture.

Roll into small balls, about 2-3 cm in diameter, and refrigerate for 1-2 hours.

Store in the fridge in an airtight container.

Makes about 16

Children's Services

In January we introduced a special service for the children led by Rabbi Elf which takes place at the same time as the adult service conducted by Martin Herr. The children's service takes place in the Shul hall whilst the main service takes place in the sanctuary. The children join the main service for reading of the Torah and are able to stand on the bimah joining in the blessings before and after reading of the Torah. The aim is for this to take place on a monthly basis and dates for Children's Services will be confirmed via e-mail.

Erev Shabbat Chavurah Suppers led by Martin Herr

The congregation is invited to the Chavurah Supper which takes place on the first Friday of each month (the date is confirmed by e-mail as occasionally the supper is cancelled).

This consists of sitting round the table, singing some Shabbat songs followed by Kiddush, eating, chatting and benching after the meal.

The doors of the Shul will be open at 6.30pm for everyone to help to prepare the room and put the food out. Please bring along something that is either kosher/non-meat or vegetarian (sweet or savoury) to share on the night.

Inter-Faith Delegation to Moravia

Liverpool Reform Synagogue is a custodian of a Czech Scroll from Prerov which is a town in Moravia 20 minutes from the regional capital and location of the Jewish community in Olomouc. The Torah was completed in 1822.

As part of Jennifer Verson's Doctoral Research at The Centre for Trust, Peace, and Social Relations at Coventry University, she is developing inter-faith services in Liverpool and Moravia, inviting members of our Liverpool community to join two delegations to Prague, Olomouc and Prerov in March 2019 with departures on 6th and 7th March returning on 10th and 11th March.

It is intended that the trips develop new knowledge and understanding of how communities that care for Czech Scrolls can engage with local Czech communities to build inter and intrareligious peace.

Members of our community will travel to Moravia in March to take part in this event. Prior to taking part in this event members of the Shul looked at some of the musical scores for the melodies used in Moravian synagogues as well as music, poems, psalms and liturgies that were meaningful to members of the Prerov community. They have attended creative sessions to develop a public ceremony to present using texts that are sacred to both the Liverpool and Czech communities. The event remembers the Moravian Jewish Community and includes songs and prayers from the Jewish liturgy in the 1800's, Psalms in English, Hebrew and Czech, poems in English and Czech and songs in Hebrew and Czech.

LEHRHAUS COURSES FOR SPRING 2019 - LEO BAECK COLLEGE

LIVE ON-LINE COURSES:

Liat Aharonovich- [Modern Hebrew: Beginners](#) - 8-week ON-LINE course, Tuesday 5.30 - 7.30pm, Dates: 07 May- 25 June 2019

Liat Aharonovich- [Modern Hebrew: Intermediate](#) - 8-week ON-LINE course, Tuesday 3.15 - 5.15pm, Dates: 07 May- 25 June 2019

Professor Melissa Raphael: [Reflections on Women in Modern Jewish Philosophy, History and Art](#) - 4 week live ON-LINE course, Sunday 11.00am- 12.30pm, Dates: 3, 10, 17, 24 March 2019

Rabbi Dr Deborah Kahn-Harris and Rabbi Robyn Ashworth-Steen: [Radically Re-Thinking the Exodus Story](#) - 4 week live ON-LINE course, Thursday 7.30 - 9.00pm, Dates: 28 March, 4,11,18 April 2019

COURSES IN LONDON:

Dr Ben Williams: [From Tanakh to Midrash: Interpreting the Bible in Late-Antiquity](#) – 4 week course at Leo Baeck College, Thursday 7.30-9.00pm, dates: 21, 28 March, 4, 11 April 2019

Professor Victor Jeleniewski Seidler: [Buber's Ethics: Listening and Learning](#) – 6 week course at Leo Baeck College, Thursday 7.30-9.00pm, dates: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 May, 6 June 2019 (soon on our website)

For more information about these courses please click on the title links. The payment can be done on-line or by sending a cheque made payable to Leo Baeck College, or by phone using a credit/debit card.

If you have any questions, please contact Jarek: Lehrhaus@lbc.ac.uk, 020 8349 5600



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Summary of 2018 at Reform Judaism

2018 has been a busy year at Reform Judaism, over 200 people attended Chagigah, our biennial celebration weekend, which took place from 22-24 June near Nottingham. Reform Judaism's 41 communities made significant commitments on mental wellbeing, financial sustainability and the environment. A new initiative focusing on synagogue finances was launched and endorsed with a vote from delegates. 'Money for Values- Re-thinking Synagogues' Finance' is designed to help synagogues consider new models of financial stability looking at membership models, fundraising and budgeting that reflect the priorities and values of the community.

Entering the next phase of the Communities that Care initiative launched at Chagigah 2016, Reform Judaism committed to adopting the NHS's recommended five steps to mental well-being. During the next two years, Reform congregations have committed to making communities safe, welcoming and open to all people with mental well-being problems and to partnering the Reform Movement on the journey to being a mental well-being friendly movement using the NHS's recommended steps.

Communities voted to make a stand on reducing single use plastic containers. The target is to cut single use plastic by 50% by Rosh Hashanah 2018 and 90% by Rosh Hashanah 2019.

We are leading the way on loneliness with our Communities that Care Initiative. Our ground-breaking Combatting Loneliness and Isolation Conference in March brought together 100 delegates and experts from across the Jewish and professional spectrum for the first time to tackle these issues. The initiative has launched tea parties and telethons reaching out to our synagogue members – including one in Liverpool organised by Anna Cohen.

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The Holocaust Exhibition and Learning Centre - Huddersfield University

The opening of this centre was the culmination of many years of planning, research and hard work by a dedicated team - and what an outcome.

This centre is much more than an Exhibition and Learning Centre, for what visitors are presented with covers a wider spectrum. I believe it is, additionally, an important museum and archive thereby leading into/assisting the 'Learning' objective.

Available to investigate, research and learn from are stories, not figments of imagination or fiction, but the real history

- of murder, loss of families, belongings and livelihoods
- of survival, courage and resilience of individuals and families thrown out of their homes and rejected by their neighbours and erstwhile friends
- of strength, determination, hard work and the will to rebuild lives and contribute to society in the country which gave sanctuary and hope for a new beginning
- of evidence of lives rebuilt since the end of WW2 and their continuing contribution to the economy of the UK

Especially at this time when anti-Semitism is on the increase it is important to demonstrate that the Jewish flame will not be extinguished as was hoped for between the early 1930s and 1945 by the NAZI regime and that we will continue to contribute and rebuild humanity to achieve a safer world for future generations.

My involvement with this project began in 2008 when I had a meeting with Tracy Craggs who at that time was Project Director for an HSFA initiative called 'Building Bridges'. Over the years we have had several meetings which have, for me, been a terrific exercise for it gave me the chance to revisit my 'life' and remind myself of what my parents, grandparents and relatives lost as a result of the rise of NAZI power and how lives were dramatically changed. Additionally, I was reminded of how my parents and maternal grandparents sheltered my brothers and myself, the opportunities they gave us and how they shaped our futures. Together with my family in Leeds Tracy was and still is the driving force for me and I am sure she is for other members of the AJR and the HSFA in recording for posterity what happened to us and how we coped with, in many cases, dramatic life changing events.

There are so many family histories available to research and learn from that for Sinai members, many of whom are the children and grandchildren of survivors and refugees who probably were among the founder members of the Synagogue, the Huddersfield Centre is a very worthwhile place to visit. I would suggest such a visit should be built into the Bar/Bat Mitzvah curriculum so that the Shoah** and its consequences are never forgotten.

For more information contact Centre Director Emma King on 01484 365302, mobile: 07928 669020 or E.King@hud.ac.uk; or visit the website at www.holocaustlearning.org.uk

** 'The mass murder of Jews under the German Nazi regime during 1941-5' as defined in <https://en.oxforddictionaries.com/definition/shoah>

AJR: The Association of Jewish Refugees

HSFA: The Holocaust Survivors Friendship Association

Dates for Your Diary



REFORM JUDAISM

Shirei Chagigah

Reform Judaism's Biennial Music Conference

11-14 July 2019

Alyth, London, NW11 (home hospitality available)

Do you love music? Then Shirei is for you whether you are in a choir, a musician, lead services or just love to learn new melodies for the shower or shul. Sessions are numerous and tailored for both professionals and music lovers.

Register your interest and find out more at
www.reformjudaism.org.uk/events/shirei-chagigah-2019/



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Save the date!
Northern Chagigah*
1-3 November 2019
The Hawkhills, Easingwold

*Yes it is for you *Of course your non-Jewish partner is welcome *Yes there is children's programming *No you don't have to be active in your community to enjoy it *Yes you can come on your own *Yes there is financial assistance *Yes everyone is friendly *No you don't have to go to any sessions *Yes there are good walks, newspapers & quiet spaces *Yes there is lots of good food!

Still unsure? Get in touch with Sarita@rjuk.org or 020 8349 5716

Register your interest at www.reformjudaism.org.uk/events/northern-chagigah/



CHEDER NEWS



As a synagogue we aim to provide opportunities for our children and young people within a wide social and educational framework for their early and teenage years. These include activities that are person-centred, experience-oriented, and interactive.

We provide activities that both promote a learning and experiencing community, a culture of education, and content that engages, and includes Jewish education and a curriculum focusing on the lifestyle and the identity of being Jewish.

Our curriculum is designed around and based on Jewish values and the values of the Reform Movement, whilst also recognising that the young people are part of a wider British community.

Cheder takes place 10.30am – 12.00pm on the 2nd Sunday every month during term time (King David, Liverpool Term dates).

- 10th March
- 14th April
- 12th May
- 14th July

We run age-based sessions, pre-school, infant and junior groups. The session consists of:

- Hebrew reading & writing 30 mins
- Parsha reading and exploration 30 mins (Religious & Moral education)
- Jewish life session 30 mins (covering areas such as Kashrut, customs and practice)

If you have any questions please call Zarah on 07990573652.

YOUTH CLUB

We are delighted to announce that we have launched a weekly youth club for young people who are in Years 8 and above (11 – 18 years) which commenced on 15th February 7 – 9pm.

The club will run every Sunday at 7 – 9pm. Membership fee is £2.00*; all Jewish children from across Liverpool aged 11+ are invited, they can bring 1 non-jewish friend.

The youth club provides activities and a place to chill for young people. The club is staffed by trained education and youth workers, and a support team of volunteers.

The club offers a range of activities as we have been lucky to secure extra funding from the Movement for Reform Judaism.

Activities will include:

- Table tennis
- Tuck shop
- Arts activities
- Cinema nights
- Cookery
- Film & media editing
- Chill out
- Sports
- PSP gaming

Please let your children and grandchildren know, and share with friends.

If you have any questions, or you would like to volunteer at the club then please feel free to contact Zarah or Steven on 0799 057 3652,

* if the membership fee is too much then speak to us in confidence.

**BRITISH JEWS IN
THE FIRST WORLD WAR**
We Were There Too

Do you have a relative who fought in the First World War?

'We Were There Too' is a unique cross community project created to capture, record and preserve the impact, experience and contribution of Britain's Jewish communities during the First World War era.

Whatever your age or knowledge of the First World War, if you think you have a family member who lived in Britain during the war, or are interested in researching a name in the British Jewry Book of Honour, on a Synagogue Memorial Board, a gravestone, or a host of other memorials, then we will help you to find out more about them and build a Personal Record.

In keeping with Jewish tradition, the site will enable visitors to memorialize their ancestors permanently, so that their passing can be commemorated annually.

If you would like more information about the project or the website, please email contactus@jewsffw.uk or talk to Susie Gordon who is acting as a volunteer researcher on the Liverpool branch of the project.

LIVERPOOL REFORM SYNAGOGUE

PURIM GAME NIGHT

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Treats for Purim and Passover

Chocolate-Filled Funfetti Hamantaschen for Purim

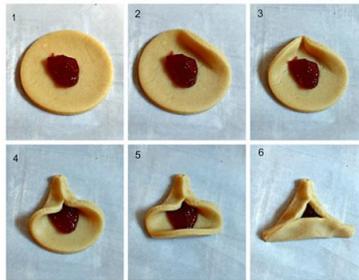
Ingredients

- 2 eggs
- ½ cup sugar
- ¼ cup oil
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 2 cups flour
- 1½ tsp. baking powder
- 1/3 cup sprinkles
- 1 bar of chocolate (or 1 cup chocolate chips)



Directions

- Mix the eggs, sugar, oil and vanilla.
- Add 1 cup of flour and the baking powder. Mix.
- Add the second cup of flour until the dough forms a soft, but not sticky ball. You may need 2-3 more tablespoons of flour if your dough is sticky.
- Gently knead in the sprinkles.
- Roll out the dough and cut out circles.
- Put a piece of chocolate, or 3-4 chocolate chips in the center of each circle.
- Gently fold the sides and pinch shut tightly.
- Bake for 10-12 minutes on 160°C (fan oven). Ask an adult to help you put the pan in and out of the oven.



Pizza for Passover

Ingredients

For the pizza:

- 1 sheet of matzo
- ½ cup tomato sauce
- ½ cup shredded mozzarella, Cheddar, or jack cheese (or a combination of cheeses)

Passover-friendly toppings (Pick and choose to your liking):

- Sliced tomatoes or cherry tomatoes
- Sliced artichoke hearts
- Fresh chopped basil
- Roasted red peppers
- Jalapeno peppers
- Sliced mushrooms
- Sliced onions
- Spinach leaves
- Red chilli pepper flakes
- Oregano or rosemary

Directions

- Preheat oven to 170°C. Place matzo sheet on foil-lined baking sheet. Spread matzo with the tomato sauce, and then sprinkle it evenly with the cheese. Place any toppings you like from the list above evenly across the top of the cheese.
- Bake in the oven for 5-7 minutes until the cheese melts. Take out of the oven and serve. You can slice the matzo into 4 triangles to make for easier eating.

DETAILS OF SERVICES FOR PURIM, PESACH and SHAVUOT PLUS OTHER EVENTS TAKING PLACE

Times of services will be confirmed via e-mail prior to the date.

PURIM	
Wednesday 20 th March	Erev Purim
Thursday 21 st March	Purim Morning
PESACH	
Friday 19 th April	Erev Pesach – 1 st Seder Night
Saturday 20 th April	Pesach 1 st Day – 2 nd Seder Night (Led by Rabbi Elf)
Friday 26 th April	Pesach 7 th Day
ADDITIONAL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
Thursday 2 nd May	Yom HaShoah – Holocaust Memorial Day
Wednesday 8 th May	Yom HaZikaron – Memorial Day
Thursday 9 th May	Yom HaAtzmaut – Israel Independence Day
Saturday 8 th June	Erev Shavuot
Sunday 9 th June	Shavuot Morning
Sunday 11 th August	Tish'ah B'Av
Sunday 29 th September	Erev Rosh Hashanah
Monday 30 th September	Rosh Hashanah Morning

We would like to welcome you to our services which are held each Shabbat

Erev Shabbat: Once per month we gather for our Shabbat Evening service and Chavurah Supper, starting at 6.30pm. Usually this takes place on the first Friday of the month, but this may change from time to time. Dates will be published on the web site and members will be notified via e-mail.

Shabbat Morning: 10.30am.

The service ends at 12.30pm with a Kiddush where the congregation come together to share wine, challah and other foods.

Liverpool Reform Synagogue – re-launched on the web

The Web page has now been updated and can be accessed at <http://www.lrshul.org>

The Web page will continue to be updated and new items of interest added on a regular basis. If you have any suggestions or wish to contribute to the web page please contact Stuart Becker at Email: webmaster@lrshul.org

Guidance following the death of a member of the Liverpool Reform Synagogue

Liverpool Reform Synagogue appreciates how difficult the death of a loved one can be and in order to assist members at this time a booklet has been developed which provides guidance and relevant important information. The booklet can be found on the LRS web page at <http://www.lrshul.org/death-and-mourning/>. Paper copies are also available in the synagogue.

If you are in need of advice, please telephone Anna Cohen on 07729 562 174

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