



**Congregation Beth Shalom of Traverse City
Jazz Shabbat Service
Friday, August 18 ~ 7:30 pm
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Congregation Beth Shalom of Traverse City, with generous funding from the Ravitz Foundation Initiative for Small Michigan Jewish Communities, extends an invitation to join us on Friday, August 18 for an evening of worship and wonderful music. The service is a collaboration between Traverse City's popular jazz musician Jeff Haas and Beth Shalom's Rabbi Arnie Sleutelberg. The evening promises to be a unique and engaging spiritual experience and you don't have to be Jewish to enjoy it.

Jeff Haas has composed new original music for the August 18 Jazz Shabbat that he has scored for clarinetist Laurie Sears, Jack Dryden on double bass, Rob Mulligan on hand percussion and Jeff at the grand piano.

Jeff has also reharmonized many of the traditional Shabbat prayers. What does that mean?

“Think of it as taking your favorite painting and having it reframed,” explains Haas, “it looks the same but different. The melodies for the traditional prayers will remain exactly the same but I have changed the chord structure of the songs.”

Haas and Rabbi Sleutelberg have chosen psalms and prayers, picked familiar melodies and will add new ones, and will perform a musical sermon during the service.

The Jazz Shabbat service will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6726 Center Road, Traverse City, MI 49686. The service begins at 7:30 pm with an *oneg* (desserts and refreshments) to follow hosted by Beth Shalom members.

Reservations are requested due to limited seating. To reserve your free tickets visit <https://jeffhaasshabbat.eventbrite.com>

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