

Stanton Street Shul – Congregation Bnai Jacob Anschei Brzezan

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Women in Leadership Positions

- 3 out of 10 board members are women
- The synagogue is planning on employing Drisha interns in the future

Women Speaking From the Amud

- Women may speak from the *amud* after services

Women's Ritual Participation

- Torah is passed to the women
- Women recite *birkhat hagomel* from the women's section

Kaddish

- Women may recite *kaddish*, even if no men are reciting *kaddish*

Women's Tefillah Group

- Occasional WT throughout the year; not regularly scheduled

Life Cycle Events

- Bat Mitzvah: Bat Mitzvah's will be celebrated in the future
- Mothers come forward for *brit milot* and Bar Mitzvah's

Holidays

- Purim: Women's *megillah* reading
- Simchat Torah: Women's *kriyah*
- Sukkot: Separate women's *hakafot*

Mechitzah Structure

- The women's section is in the back half of the synagogue
- Lace curtain *mechitzah*
- Format may change in the near future to a *mechitzah* down the middle

Childcare Available During Services

- No – but there is a play space available downstairs during Shabbat services