### Shabbat Shalom!

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Parashat Tzav/Shabbat HaGadol
April 3/4, 2020 - 10 Nisan 5780
The first reading begins on page 613, Lev. 6:1 - 6:13
The Haftorah begins on page 1296, Malachai 3:4 - 3:24

All prayer services, weekday and Shabbat, are available only by stream. We encourage you to join us to pray together at <a href="https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/streaming">https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/streaming</a> and click on the appropriate box. Friday night and Saturday morning will appear in the window for the David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary. All other services will appear in the window for Nickman Chapel.

Service Schedule:

Weekdays: 7:15 am, 6:00 pm Saturdays: 9:00 am, 6:00 pm Sundays: 8:00 am, 6:00 pm

PDF copies of the prayer book can be downloaded from the Rabbinical Assembly website (<a href="https://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/form-download-e-siddur-0">https://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/form-download-e-siddur-0</a>). We will use the Sim Shalom prayer book for weekdays and Saturday afternoon. We will use the Lev Shalom prayer book for Friday night and Shabbat Morning.

The minyan will always have a minimum of ten participating by stream. Rabbi Weiss has ruled, based on rabbinic and *halakhic* sources, that – on a temporary, emergency basis, and not as a permanent change – a minyan may be comprised of ten Jews at different locations linked over the internet. Therefore, the services will still include those parts that require a minyan and will fulfill that obligation. This includes the mourner's kaddish. Call in at (929) 205-6099 and reference the Meeting ID# below:

Sunday morning minyan: <a href="https://cutt.ly/bjcSundayMorningMinyan8am">https://cutt.ly/bjcSundayMorningMinyan8am</a>
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#### Mazal tov to everyone who is celebrating a birthday this month!



#### Free Jewish Virtual Learning for Adults

We are just a click or a phone call away! Stay connected with BJC! Zoom in via computer or phone at (929) 205-6099, the Meeting ID is the number at the end of each link. We are also utilizing our live streaming capabilities, Facebook and other available technologies.



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### What's NU? with Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria Mondays at 10 am

Topical text study and discussion on the most relevant Jewish topics of the day. <a href="https://zoom.us/j/665686986">https://zoom.us/j/665686986</a>

## Neffesh Ha-Chayyim – The Mystical Secrets of God, Life, the Universe and Everything with Rabbi Stephen Weiss Mondays at 8 pm

Exploring Jewish beliefs and practice through Kabbalah. <a href="https://zoom.us/j/683-716-8354">https://zoom.us/j/683-716-8354</a>.

### Bible Study with Susan Wyner Tuesdays at 10:30 am

Join in for a close reading of the Torah as we make our way through our most central text. We are currently studying the book of Deuteronomy. <a href="https://zoom.us/j/864643841">https://zoom.us/j/864643841</a> or call (253) 215-8782, Meeting ID: 864 643 841, Password: 875861.

### Parshat HaShavua with Prof. Doron Kalir, CSU Tuesdays at noon

Discuss the weekly Torah portion from a liberal viewpoint. In particular, we will examine implications of the text for today's community and the meaning of *emunah* (faith) in the 21st century. <a href="https://zoom.us/j/213131426">https://zoom.us/j/213131426</a>

### Conversational Hebrew with Rabbi Josh Foster Tuesdays at 2 pm

Come join for Hebrew conversation and learning with Rabbi Josh. We will watch and practice through a variety of Hebrew video clips. <a href="https://zoom.us/j/896167443">https://zoom.us/j/896167443</a>

## Mishnah: The New Scripture with Rabbi Alan Lettofsky Wednesdays at 10:30 am

Most Jewish institutions and values, while based on the Bible, were created by the ancient rabbis. The Mishnah and its expansion into the full Talmud are the core texts for our Jewish foundations. https://zoom.us/j/408458674

#### Free Jewish Virtual Learning for Adults (continued)

#### Ethical & Ritual Issues Through the Lens of Conservative Jewish Law with Rabbi Stephen Weiss - Thursdays at noon

Through the study of responsa (Jewish law papers) from the Law Committee of the Rabbinical Assembly, we will explore what Jewish tradition has to say about the most pressing and significant issues of our day. Class is always lively, filled with text study and discussion. <a href="https://cutt.ly/bjcEthicsInJewishLaw">https://cutt.ly/bjcEthicsInJewishLaw</a> Meeting ID# 388326341.

#### The How & Why of Jewish Rituals with Cantor Aaron Shifman Fridays at 10 am

We will discuss kaddish, mikvah, tallit and tzizit, brit milah, Shabbat and havdallah and more using Medrashim and Talmudic resources. https://zoom.us/j/524068297

#### Come Learn Torah Trope with Rabbi Josh Foster Fridays at 2 pm

Have you ever wanted to learn to chant from the Torah? Join us as we learn the melodies of the cantillation notes so that you can take on this sacred role in our services. https://zoom.us/j/642708239

#### Starbucks Bread & Torah with rotating teachers Saturdays at 9 am

Gain fresh insights into the Torah, and study with great teachers! This week will be led by Rabbi Alan Lettofsky. https://zoom.us/j/979212512.

#### Kosher Fitness Workout with Rabbi Michael Ungar Mondays - Fridays at 10 am

Request to join the Facebook Group page of "kosher-fitness".



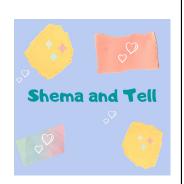
#### Kinder Shabbat Fridays • 10:30 am

Have fun with us on Facebook (Mishpachot - B'nai Jeshurun Young Families), Zoom in at <a href="https://zoom.us/">https://zoom.us/</a> **EINDER SHABBAT** 1/233169518 or (929) 205-6099, Meeting ID# 233169518 as we welcome Shabbat with your favorite songs with Mr. Chuck and prayers with the clergy, too!

#### Shema and Tell Monday, April 6 • 6:30 pm

Join us for a virtual goodnight in your pajamas! Say hello to friends that you miss and get ready for bedtime. Bring a special friend (teddy bear, doll, etc.) to show everyone, hear a story, and say the Shema all together.

Zoom: http://zoom.us/s/954688923.



<u>MISHABERAH</u> AARON ELI BEN TOIBA LEAH JAYDEN BARBER RIFKAH BAT BASYA FRUMA BAT JANETTE SHALOM MENASHE BEN NECHA MATANA DVORAH BAT SARAH YAKOV BEN HANA SORA DINA RIVKA BAT LEAH ZEV YITZCHAK BEN RISYA GITTEL CHANA BAT ESTHER MEIR FEIVEL BEN SARAH DEVORAH MASHA TSIRIL BAT BASHA BLUMA ZISSEL BAT RACHEL YAKOV BEN MIRIAM HASKEL TZVI BEN MALKA RONI BEN RACHEL MARIE BAT MARIE RAISEL MALKA BAT FREDA TZIVIA AVIVA BAT MINDEL HANA TOVA BAT SARAH GITTEL MINDEL HANNA BAT RACHEL AVRUM REUVAIN BEN NAOMI WAYNE EHRMAN YAKOV BEN SARA CHAYA RAZEL BAT LEAH DANIEL BEN LEAH CHAIM BEN PNINA ZELDA BRACHA BAT MINA **GERSHON BEN HANA** ZALMAN SHMUEL DOV BEN CHANAH BAT SARAH HANOCH YITZHAK BEN SARA **RUVENA SHIFRA** MESHELEM BEN RACHEL ADAM DEAL ADIRA BAT RUCHEL MASHA BAT PESHKE AVRAHAM BEN SARAH HAYA DEVORA HANA BAT SORA BLUMA EZRA SHAMIR BEN SIMCHA EPHRAIM CHAYIM BEN ITA CHANA SURA TOBA BAT JOSEF ZWI AVRAHAM BEN SHOSHANAH RACHEL LEAH BAT DEVORAH REUVEN BEN HELAYNE REUVEN BEN ADELINE AVRAHAM SHMUEL BEN ZENDEL MALKA BAT RAISA LAZER BEN MATILDA MORT YUSSEL BEN RIVKA LEAH BAT RUCHEL AVRAM DAVID BEN DINAH YECHIEL YITZHAK BEN FEIGEL BEN-TZION PESACH BEN YAKOV BEN AIDA SHAINDEL CHAYAH SHALOM BEN GOLDA SHANDEL BRACHA BAT ESTHER DAVE PERKINS NOAH BEN ZELDA MASAHIRO UENO HADAR MIRIAM BAT ESTHER ASHER REUVEN BEN LILA MICHAL VERED TOVA BAT SARAH GILA REUVEN LEIB HAKOHEN BEN SARAH GILA BAT LEAH ESTHER MIRIEL PINHAS SIMCHA BEN PNINA FAYGIE ELKE BAT RUCHEL ADIN RONEN BEN SARAH GILA MALKA LEBA BAT MINDEL SURA HARAV SHIMON YEHOSHUA BEN SARAH HAYA TZIPPORAH BAT ITTA MASHA BAT HEINCHA **BRIAN VALENTINO** PEREL SARAH BAT DVORAH MIRIAM ESTHER BAT MALKA LEBA MALKA BAT BATYA HALLEL ADINA BAT HARAV RIVKA GITTEL MORDECHAI DOVID BEN LEAH RIVKA YETTA BAT ZELDA JONATHAN BEN RUCHEL LEAH MIMI DORF SHAINA LIEBE BAT CHAVA MIRYAM RUT TAMAR BAT ORAH ZLATE FEIGA BAT CHAYA AARON BEN CHAYA YENTEL SURAH BAT MARIAM PESSEL PINCHAS BEN ROCHEL RAPHAEL BEN MASHA GOLDA ZIVIA BAT CHANNAH MARY ELIZABETH GREENE YEHUDIT DVORAH BAT RACHEL YONKEL MOSHE BEN LEAH MOSHE ABBA BEN BRACHA HAYA SORA BAT LEAH YOSEF MI-CHAL BEN MIRIAM HINDA ITTA BAT ESTHER SHLOMIT YAKOVAH BAT ZELDA DAVID SHIMON BEN RENAH **JEAN BAT JANET** SARAH BAT ROIZA JD OLIVER

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May He who blessed our ancestors and is the source of all healing bless and heal those who are ill. May the Holy One Praised Be He mercifully restore them to vigor and lift the burden of anxiety from their loved ones and friends. On this (Sabbath, Festival, Judgment or Penitence) day we pray that they be spared further pain. May God grant them health of body and health of spirit and mind. May we speedily be privileged to greet their return to good health by welcoming them once again into our midst. Let us say: Amen.

Anyone wanting to add a name to the list should contact Diane Dronzek (216-831-6555 ext. 104 or dianedronzek@bnaijeshurun.org) by Thursday afternoon at the latest for inclusion in that Shabbat's program. We will also pause during the prayer for people to recite additional names. from their seats.

# Join Rabbi Weiss for our Online Virtual Second Seder Thursday, April 9 • 6:30 pm

We will connect over Zoom to be together for an evening of prayer, song, study and discussion as we share in a joyful journey through



the Haggadah in celebration of the holiday. We will provide the Haggadah; you will need to provide your own wine, food and seder items.

To join the seder, you must register by Monday, April 6. A new Zoom link and Meeting ID# will be provided. If you already signed up through the synagogue office, please register again or we will reach out to you. Register at <a href="https://cutt.ly/BJC-Second-Seder-Registration">https://cutt.ly/BJC-Second-Seder-Registration</a>.

#### Siyyum B'Chorim

Firstborns, normally required to fast the day before Pesach, are relieved of this requirement by attending a Torah study session (*Siyyum*) on the morning before the holiday. This year's *Siyyum* will be held on **Wednesday**, **April 8**, at the conclusion of the *Shaharit* service. **There will be just one minyan beginning at 7:00 am in Halpern Hall**. Please join us via live stream at <a href="https://venue.streamspot.com/db7fa4c1">https://venue.streamspot.com/db7fa4c1</a>, Zoom at <a href="https://zoom.us/j/413413630">https://zoom.us/j/413413630</a> or call in at (929) 205-6099, Meeting ID #413 413 630.

### D'var Torah: What is Shabbat Hagadol? Dr. Joshua Kulp, Conservative Yeshiva Faculty & Rosh Yeshiva

Leading up to Pesah there are five special Shabbatot: Shekalim, Zakhor, Parah, Hachodesh, and Shabbat Hagadol. Of all of these special Torah readings/Shabbatot, Shabbat Hagadol is the only one not mentioned in the Talmud.

The origins of the term and concept Shabbat Hagadol seem to be in the Middle Ages, probably in France/Germany. It is first mentioned in a work called Sefer HaOreh which is a collection of halakhic rulings issued by Rashi's students (11th century, Germany). There we find:

People are accustomed to call the Shabbat before Pesah "Shabbat Hagadol (the Great Shabbat)," but they don't know why it is greater than any other Shabbat. The reason seems to be that the Israelites left Egypt on the fifth day of the week, which means that they would have set aside their paschal lamb on the tenth of the month, which was the Shabbat before Pesah. They (the

Israelites) said "how can we sacrifice that which is an abomination to the Egyptians before their eyes and not have them stone us?" (Exodus 8:22). God responded to them: Now you will see the miracle that I perform for you. They went and set aside a lamb to keep it until the fourteenth of the month.

In the continuation of the midrash, the Egyptians see the Israelites setting aside lambs in order to slaughter them and the Egyptians want to kill the Israelites as an act of revenge. God afflicts the Egyptians with diseases and protects the Israelites. The midrash concludes, "In remembrance of this miracle performed for Israel on the Shabbat before Pesah, the Shabbat before Pesah is called Shabbat Hagadol." In summary, what makes this Shabbat "gadol" – great – is what God has done for us.

However, in other sources there is a somewhat different explanation for Shabbat Hagadol. In a work called Sefer Abudraham written in 13<sup>th</sup> century Spain we find, "It is called Shabbat Hagadol for it was on this Shabbat that the Israelites performed their first mitzvah." Using the same chronology as above, the Israelites left Egypt on Thursday, making the tenth of the month, Shabbat, the day they set aside the lamb that they would eventually sacrifice (see Exodus 12:3). We celebrate Shabbat Hagadol not in remembrance of what God did for us, but what we did for God by performing our first mitzvah.

These two different explanations for Shabbat Hagadol (God's miracle or first mitzvah) foreshadow the process that we begin on Pesah and complete on Shavuot. The first explanation of Shabbat Hagadol focuses on God. On the Shabbat before Pesah, God performed a miracle for the Israelites, one that allowed them to observe a critical commandment. On Shavuot we accept upon ourselves the mitzvot, which through their performance ensure God's continued presence among the people. This is, indeed, the essence of the covenantal relationship: God manifests God's bond to us by protecting us, and by making God's presence known when we are performing the commandments. The two acts are inseparable, both this week in Shabbat Hagadol, and in the inseparability of Pesah from Shavuot.

### Parashah Study: Gratitude - Do We Practice It? Vered Hollander-Goldfarb, Conservative Yeshiva Faculty

The Thanksgiving (Todah) offering is part of the Shlamim (peace/wellbeing) offerings. It is offered voluntarily by an individual, not by the community. The HaGomel blessing that individuals say today is somewhat parallel to this offering.

#### Text: Vayikra 7:11-15

This is the ritual of the peace offering that one may offer to the LORD: (12) If he offers it for thanksgiving, he shall offer together with the offering of thanksgiving unleavened cakes... unleavened wafers... and cakes of choice flour.... (13) And with cakes of leavened bread added he shall offer his offering along with his thanksgiving offering of peace... (15) ... [it] shall be eaten on the day that it is offered; none of it shall be set aside until morning.

- How do we see in the text that the offering is given by an individual and it is voluntary?
- Why do you think that a person might choose to bring a thanksgiving offering? Why is thanksgiving important? How do/should we express it today?

#### Commentary: Rashi Vayikra 7:12

If he is bringing it as a Thanksgiving-offering: i.e., if [he is bringing the offering] to give thanks for a miracle that had happened to him, for instance, those who made a sea-voyage or journeyed in the desert, or those who had been imprisoned, or a sick person who recovered. All these are required to give thanks, for regarding them, it is written, "They shall give thanks to the Lord for His kindness and for his wonders to the children of men. And they shall slaughter sacrifices of thanksgiving" (Ps. 107)...

- Under what circumstances does a person offer a Todah offering?
- Based on this, why is this an offering that is brought by an individual? Why should it be voluntary?

#### Commentary: Ha'Amek Davar: The Natziv of Volozin Vayikra 7:13

The Torah expanded the bread and decreased the time of eating the Todah (Thanksgiving offering) [compared to] all the Shlamim offerings. So that he will [gather] many acquaintances for one dinner on the day of offering and so the story of the miracle will be told before many people... It is a thanks for his well being (Shalom) as he was released from a perilous situation.

- According to the Natziv, why was so much food given so little time to be consumed?
- Based on this comment, what is the central element of expressing thanks?
- What religious and social practices of expressing thanks do we have today that function with a similar idea in mind? How careful are we to practice this?

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#### Condolences to:

Lee Markowitz & family on the death of his mother, Rose Markowitz

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