Shabbat Shalom!

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Welcome to B'nai Jeshurun Congregation David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary

Our Mission is "To ensure the flourishing of Jewish life through educational, social and Ponservative religious experiences in a warm and dynamic community."



Parashat Ki Tisa פי תּשָא February 22/23, 2019 - 18 Adar I 5779



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Thank you to our Torah readers: Marsha Aronovich, Danielle Shaper, Isaac Zabarsky, Patti Berns, David Shifrin, Miriam Bennett and Jody Katzner. Thank you to Jody Katzner for chanting the Haftorah.



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Cantor Aaron Shifman
Education Engagement Rabbi Josh Foster
Rabbi Emeritus Stanley J. Schachter
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Executive Director Jay Ross

Pour presence adds to the joy of our service!

The flowers are a gift from Mark Rabkin and Orli & Paul Dugan in honor of the Mincha Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Tali Rabkin.



Our Starbucks, Bread & Torah teacher this week is Susan Wyner. Thank you to Cindy Brodsky for preparing the refreshments.

Thank you to our members who prepare the kiddush refreshments: Moris Amon, Murray Berkowitz, Fay Blumenthal, Tova Cohen, Lynn Katz Danzig, Ruth Dobres, Faith Eisenberg, Arlene & Phil Fine, Shirley Haas, Laura Katzner, Harriet Rosenberg Mann, Cathy Randall, Rachel Schwarz, Cheryl Spira, Yaacov Taxer, Nancy Tresser Lipko, Michele Cydulka-Weinstein & Ed Weinstein and Pnina Wiesel.

Thank you to our Board member on the bima Dale Nash, our greeter Sonya Shultz and ushers: David Cohen, Maury Greenstein, Dan Jacobs, Harriet Rosenberg Mann, Paula Schaffer-Polakof and Daniel Umansky.

Following the Benediction, please join us for kiddush in **Gross Atrium**, sponsored by Laura & Michael Bennett, The Canowitz Family, Ruth Dobres, Cindy & Joel Herman, Gregg Levine & Howard Epstein, Christine Mayer, Sue & Jeff Nash, Robin & Mark Rood, Marcia & Jerry Rothschild and Naomi & Rabbi Stephen Weiss in honor of The Meshuganotes.

Meshuganotes Saturday, February 23 • during & after services

Get ready for a musical morning as we welcome back The Ohio State University's a capella group which features our member, Miriam Bennett (daughter of Laura & Michael Bennett). They will perform during the conclusion of our Shabbat morning service and then stay after kiddush for a song-filled show.



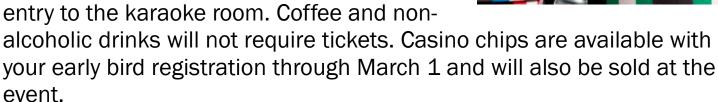


Dinner: \$15/adult; \$10/child 12 & under; FREE child under 4 years; \$48/family max.

Coffee House & Casino Night Saturday, March 16 • 9 - 11:30 pm

Sing the night away and try your luck at our Casino & Coffee House! Open to those 21+. The evening will feature karaoke, casino games, prizes, light appetizers and a cash bar.

Registration includes two drink tickets and



Early bird pricing: \$15 registration only or \$30 registration + \$25 worth of chips. After March 1: \$25 registration (chips available for purchase at the event).

All proceeds will support ATID, BJC's 20's & 30's group.

Ari & Abigail's Passport to Israel Sunday, March 3 • 1:30 - 3:00 pm • Maltz Museum

Local author (and Maltz Museum staffer) Dahlia Fisher and illustrator Amy Jindra will be on hand to launch their book which was created specifically to complement the Museum's Israel: Then

& Now exhibition. Enjoy book-making crafts, create your own travelogue and see yourself as the main character of your own story when a caricature artist draws your image! Free; registration requested at maltzmuseum.org. BJC is a co-sponsor of this event.





Join us for Purim!

All events are free and open to the community unless otherwise noted.

Learn more and register at bnaijeshurun.org/purim2019 or contact the synagogue office.

*Fee associated with these events.

Mishloach Manot Sunday, March 10 • 10 am

Deliver Purim bags to those on the Menorah Park campus and Montefiore. A mitzvah opportunity for all ages. We will meet at Menorah Park.

Purim Carnival*

Sunday, March 17 • 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Carnival games, bounce houses, face painting and food for purchase. Wristbands offer unlimited play and one cotton candy. Pre-purchase your wristband at a special rate.

Purim!

Wednesday, March 20

6 pm Purimpalooza:

Pre-party for Young Families

Enjoy a silly magic show, craft and free pizza dinner. Then parade into our family Megillah reading.

Registration is required.

7 pm Family Megillah Reading

Hear the Story of Esther at our family Megillah reading with skits, a parade and lots of noise from the graggers, followed by dancing and hamentashen.

7:30 pm Traditional Megillah Reading

Come to our traditional reading to hear every word from the Megillah. We will then dance and nosh on hamentashen.

8 pm "So You Think You Know It All" Trivia for Teens

8:45 pm "After Hours" Trivia for Adults

See if you can outmaster and outplay your friends and Quizmaster Eric Litvak!

Purim Kinder Shabbat Friday, March 22 • 10:30 am

Dress in costume as we celebrate Purim and get ready for Shabbat. We'll have a Purim parade and music with Mr. Chuck, along with a special treat.

Sisterhood Lunch & Learn: Jewish Delicacies of Eastern Europe Tuesday, February 26 • noon • BJC

Robin Rood will teach us about the history of kugels and other Jewish delicacies from Eastern Europe and the Shtetl. \$10 per person; pay at the door. RSVP to Robin Rood (rroodrd@gmail.com or 440-666-7658).



CPR Training Sunday, March 3 • 8 am

Sisterhood and Hazak will host this vital training that is free and open to all. Contact Eve Phythyon to sign up (330-283-4003) . Space is limited.

Gross Schechter Day School Shabbat March 9

GROSS SCHECHTER DAY SCHOOL

Join us as our Schechter students, family and alumni lead our Shabbat morning services. You will have opportunities to hear and learn about every

will have opportunities to hear and learn about everything Schechter has to offer. At the conclusion of the Torah service, you will have an option to attend the family program, Dive into the Sea of Torah.

Dive into the Sea of Torah Saturday, March 9 10:30 am for Pre-K – 2nd Grade; 11:00 am for 3rd – 6th Grade



Join us for our monthly family Shabbat program as we "dive" into the Torah exploring themes from the week's Torah portion in new and exciting ways! Open to all.

Men's Club Adventure Road: Traveling the World Sunday, March 31 • 9 am Destination: Scandinavia, The Netherlands and Iceland with Rick Martin

Been there? Want to go there? Join us for our monthly Sunday morning continental breakfasts at 9 am,

followed by presentations by fellow members discussing their world travels. Talks will begin at 10 am and break-out sharing groups will start at 10:30 am.

We welcome your children in the Main Sanctuary!

Yom HaShoah Candle Packing Sunday, March 10 Drop-in between 9 – 10 am

We need your help to prepare the candles for distribution. It's not hard work and we would appreciate an hour of your time to make this program successful. Join us at 8:30 am for a continental breakfast (open to the congregation) before we pack. No RSVP needed! Just as importantly, please volunteer to help deliver the candles to homes in your neighborhood. Contact Paul Wolf (paul.s.wolf@alum.wpi.edu or 216-291-0796).

Red Cross Blood Drive Sunday, March 17 • 9 am – 2 pm



Save a life; give blood. Walk-ins welcome. Sponsored by Men's Club.

8th - 12th graders are invited to hear Israeli Graffiti Artist Elinoy Kisslove Monday, March 11 • 6 pm • The Temple – Tifereth Israel



Students are invited to join us for dinner and this special program. Elinoy uses graffiti to express her political and social messages as a response to issues in Israeli daily life that many times are forgotten. Free. RSVP to Rabbi Foster.

Located at 26000 Shaker Blvd, Beachwood.

Cub Scouts Tuesdays, March 12 & 26 • 6 pm • BJC

Did you know B'nai Jeshurun has a Cub Scout Pack? Pack 196 is one of only two Cub Scout Packs chartered by Jewish organizations in NE Ohio and is open to boys in grades K - 4. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. We are always looking for new boys to join and we welcome any parents who would like to help as leaders. Please co



parents who would like to help as leaders. Please contact Pack 196 Committee Chairman Benjamin Altose (benjamin.altose@ gmail.com) for more information.

While Pack 196 does not yet have a den for girls, one can be established if there is interest and a parent to serve as den leader.

D'var Torah: Brokenness & Forgetting Rabbi Shoshana Cohen, Conservative Yeshiva Faculty

Following completion of the Mishkan this week's parashah focuses on the sin of the Golden Calf and its aftermath. In 32:15 Moshe is descending from Mt. Sinai holding the original God-given Luchot HaBrit - the Tablets of the Covenant - when he hears what has happened. These original tablets "were the work of God; the writing was the writing of God, engraved on the tablets." But upon hearing the news he throws down the tablets, smashing them at the foot of the mountain.

What follows is a long back and forth between God and Moshe as to whether and how each side of the triangular God-Moshe-Israel relationship can be repaired. In the end, of course, there is a reconciliation and a new set of tablets. But as we see in chapter 34 the new tablets are different - it is Moshe who does the carving and inscribing.

According to an account of this event in Deuteronomy 10 both sets of tablets, the original broken tablets and the second set, are placed in the Ark of the Covenant. (Interestingly according to Deuteronomy's retelling the second tablets were constructed by Moshe but the writing was God's). In a midrash found in the Babylonian Talmud Bava Batra 17b (and various other texts), we see that the sages understood the inclusion of the first tablets as divine endorsement of Moshe's having smashed them. Reish Lakish goes so far as to say that God congratulated Moshe saying, "yashar koach that you broke them!"

What does it mean that God congratulated Moshe for breaking the tablets? R. Yitzchak Hutner, a 20th-century rabbi who spanned the Hasidic and Lithuanian traditions and served as the rosh yeshiva of the Rav Hayim Berlin yeshiva for many years, connects this midrash on the broken tablets to another found in the Babylonian Talmud Eruvin 54a. There Rabbi Eliezer says that because they had been inscribed directly by God, "had the first tablets not been broken, the Torah would never have been forgotten from the Jewish people."

At first glance it seems like Rabbi Eliezer is saying a bad thing - that is if it hadn't been for the sin of the Golden Calf and the breaking of the tablets Israel would have a clear and direct picture of God's will in the world. However if we read these two midrashim together - "yashar koach for breaking" and "Torah would never have been forgotten" we are forced to reconsider.

There are times, explains Rav Hutner, that the forgetting of Torah is actually the way that it survives. He connects this idea to Hanukkah, when, according to the Al haNisim prayer the Greeks came to make the Jews "forget the Torah." He points out that it was at the point in Jewish history that the Oral Torah came into being. This happened because people began to forget the Torah and they needed to debate and reconstruct its content.

While this is an interesting and important historical point it also can give us more insight on Torah learning and on brokenness. Real

creativity and learning most often happen from a sense of deep need. When something is missing we are most inspired to delve deep and apply our God-given intellect to create new and innovative ideas. Moreover, in places of darkness and confusion, when we recognize that something is missing we are most likely to turn to others to help us make sense of the world and fill the void with wisdom.

The broken tablets in the ark remind us of the power of brokenness, of forgetting, to spark innovation and the building of intellectual and spiritual community. In the words of Leonard Cohen, "there is a crack in everything, that's how the light gets through."

Parashat Ki Tissa Self-Study Vered Hollander-Goldfarb, Conservative Yeshiva Faculty

We open with a few more instructions for the Mishkan (Tabernacle) and then move on to see what the people are doing while Moshe is up on the Mountain receiving the tablets. Here comes the story of the Golden Calf!

- 1) Each person from age 20 had to give half a shekel of silver as a way of counting the people. The silver was given for the work of the Tent of Meeting (Tabernacle), possibly maintenance and public sacrifices. It would be considered an atonement for each person giving the silver (30:11-16). Why do you think that this was considered an act of atonement? Why were people forbidden to give more or less than the specified amount?
- 2) A special fragrant ointment will be used to anoint the Tent of Meeting and its furnishings, as well as Aharon and his sons who will be set aside as Kohanim. No one is allowed to make any ointment like it (30:22-33). What physical sense is this employing? Why should no one else make any ointment like it? (Consider the effect of smell on memory.)
- 3) The Mitzvah of observing Shabbat is listed at the end of the instructions for the Mishkan, described as a sign between God and the people that God makes us holy (separate), for God created the Heavens and Earth in 6 days and ceased and rested on the Seventh (31:12-17). How might the instructions for the Mishkan be connected to Shabbat? Why is a sign of God as the Universal Creator be relevant here?
- 4) A large part of this parashah is dedicated to the story of the Golden Calf. Before descending the mountain Moshe is notified by [a very angry] God of the actions of the people. Nonetheless, when he arrives and sees the calf and the dancing, he throws the tablets down and smashes them (32:7-19). Do you think that Moshe's action was spontaneous or well thought through, and what would be its purpose?
- 5) When Moshe goes up to receive new tablets he is instructed that no one should be seen on the mountain. He will be alone (34:34:1-4). His first ascent was preceded by a national ceremony (chapter 24). What has changed? What is the message in this setting?

<u>MISHABERAH</u> JAYDEN BARBER FRUMA BAT JANETTE YISRAEL BEN MEIRA

MATANA DVORAH BAT SARAH

DINA RIVKA BAT LEAH

GITTEL CHANA BAT ESTHER MASHA TSIRIL BAT BASHA

YAKOV BEN MIRIAM RONI BEN RACHEL

RAISEL MALKA BAT FREDA TOVA BAT SARAH GITTEL AVRUM REUVAIN BEN NAOMI

YAKOV BEN SARA DANIEL BEN LEAH

ZELDA BRACHA BAT MINA ZALMAN SHMUEL DOV BEN

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REUVEN BEN ADELINE

LEAH BAT ETYE MALKA BAT RAISA

MORT YUSSEL BEN RIVKA AVRAM DAVID BEN DINAH BEN-TZION PESACH BEN

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MASAHIRO UENO

HADAR MIRIAM BAT ESTHER

MICHAL VERED TOVA BAT SARAH GILA

SARAH GILA BAT LEAH

PINHAS SIMCHA BEN PNINA ADIN RONEN BEN SARAH GILA

HAYA TZIPPORAH BAT ITTA YAKOV ELIYAHU BEN GALIA

MASHA BAT HEINCHA

PEREL SARAH BAT DVORAH

MALKA BAT BATYA

MORDECHAI DOVID BEN LEAH

MIMI DORF

SHAINA LIEBE BAT CHAVA MIRYAM

ZLATE FEIGA BAT CHAYA

YENTEL SURAH BAT MARIAM PESSEL

RAPHAEL BEN MASHA GOLDA

MIRIAM BAT RUCHEL

MARY ELIZABETH GREENE YONKEL MOSHE BEN LEAH

HAYA SORA BAT LEAH

LIBBY GOLDIE BAT SHAINA MALKA

ITTA BAT ESTHER

SHLOMO FEIVEL BEN KAYLA DAVID SHIMON BEN RENAH LEIBUSH BEN SHPRINTZE LEAH

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RIFKAH BAT BASYA YOCHEVET BAT FRIEDA

SHALOM MENASHE BEN NECHA

AARON BEN YEHUDIT BATYA YAKOV BEN HANA SORA ZEV YITZCHAK BEN RISYA

LEAH BAT ZEESALA BASSI BAT SHIFRA

MEIR FEIVEL BEN SARAH DEVORAH

BLUMA ZISSEL BAT RACHEL HASKEL TZVI BEN MALKA

MARIE BAT MARIE

TZIVIA AVIVA BAT MINDEL HANA MINDEL HANNA BAT RACHEL

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CHAIM BEN PNINA

SHALOM LEIB BEN SIMA

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SARA BAT AIDL

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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 Shalom (216-831-6555 ext. 104 or dianeshalom@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.

At The Crossroads: Jewish Law for Our Time Weekly Lunch & Learn Commerce Park IV (corner of Chagrin and Green) Room 130 Thursdays • 12:10 - 1 pm

Bring a brown bag lunch and join Rabbi Weiss or Rabbi Rudin-Luria for a lively study of Talmud and Responsa (Jewish Law) examining what Judaism has to say about contemporary issues. Topics covered include personal, business, legal and medical ethics as well as areas of Jewish belief and ritual. Each session is complete in itself. To be on the group's mailing list, please contact David Shifrin (semaninc@ameritech.net).

DAILY MINYAN

MONDAY - THURSDAY 7:00 am & 7:30 am & 6:00 pm

FRIDAY 7:00 am & 7:30 am & 6:00 pm (unless otherwise noted)

SATURDAY 9:00 am & 6:00 pm SUNDAY & HOLIDAYS 8:00 am & 6:00 pm

What's Coming Up

Tuesdays 10:30 am Torah Study with Susan Wyner Fridays 10:15 am Kinder Shabbat & Open Playroom Saturdays 9:00 am Starbucks, Bread & Torah

Saturday, February 23

9:00 am Service; Meshuganotes 5:30 pm Tali Rabkin Mincha Bat Mitzvah

Tuesday, February 26

12:00 pm Sisterhood Lunch & Learn

Friday, March 1 - Shabbat on the Circle Congregational Shabbaton 6:00 pm Service; Birthday Shabbat

Saturday, March 2 - Shabbat on the Circle Congregational Shabbaton 9:00 am Service

Sunday, March 3

8:00 am CPR Training

1:30 pm Jewish Genealogy Society Meeting with Peter Haas, The Clubs: What Excelsior and Oakwood Tell us about Jewish Life in Cleveland @Park East

1:30 pm Passport to Israel @Maltz Museum; free

Tuesday, March 5

7:30 pm Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, March 6

4:00 pm Purim Hebrew Storytime @CCPL Beachwood

Thursday, March 7 - Rosh Hodesh Adar II

Friday, March 8 - Rosh Hodesh Adar II 7:00 pm Service; Zamir Choir

Saturday, March 9

9:00 am Service; Gross Schechter Day School Shabbat 10:30 am & 11:00 am Dive into the Sea of Torah

Sunday, March 10 - Daylight Savings Time (Spring Forward)

9:00 am Men's Club Yom HaShoah Candle Packing

10:00 am Mishloach Manot Deliveries (meet in Menorah Park lobby)

6:00 pm Motown Megillah Meal & Spiel

Monday, March 11

6:00 pm Elinoy Kisslove @The Temple

Please respect the sanctity of our services and those around you by turning off your mobile devices.

Condolences to: Wendy Goldstein & family on the death of her mother, Norma Klein

Yahrzeits: February 23 - March 1, 2019

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If you would like a name read from this week's yahrzeit list and have not already informed the office, please notify one of the ushers.

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