

Annual Torah Reading:
Exodus 6:2 - 9:35
(Eitz Chaim p.351)

**Beit Rayim
Triennial Reading:**
Exodus 7:8 - 8:15
(Eitz Chaim p.357)

Haftarah
Ezekiel 28:15 - 29:21
(Eitz Chaim p.369)

Candle Lighting
4:45 p.m.

Havdalah
after 5:54 p.m.

**Mincha/Kabbalat
Shabbat**
Friday,
January 12
4:45 p.m.
(Theatre at VIVA)

Shabbat Services
Saturday, January 13
Shacharit
9:00 a.m. (GCC)

Mincha/Maariv Service
4:45 p.m.
Multipurpose Chapel

Sunday Morning
January 14
8:30 a.m.
Multipurpose Chapel

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Chezi Zionce

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Eli Bard

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Jaclyn Cepler-Klinitz

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January 12-13, 2018
25-26 Tevet 5778

Parshat Va'era
פרשת וירא

ברוכים הבאים Welcome to Beit Rayim

“Chezi’s Chochma” by Rabbi Zionce

Shalom:

The Torah portion this week is **Va'era**. “Va'era” means “I appeared”, referring to G-d’s appearances to Moshe encouraging him to go down Egypt to redeem the enslaved Hebrew nation.

Many events transpire in this week’s *sedra* including the first seven of the ten *makkot*, or plagues that beset Egypt.

The rabbis ask: why were the ten plagues broken up into two groups and not all listed within one *parsha*, like the ten commandments were in the Torah? Biblical scholar Jonathan Grossman argues that they fall into two separate groups - while the first seven were designed to admonish the Egyptians and enlighten them as to G-d’s existence, might and will, the last three were also designed to enlighten Israel as to the same. As the plagues intensify, the goal is to get the Israelites involved in the salvific act and not expect G-d to complete all the work of redemption by G-dself. Even with the culminating plague of *makkat bechorot*, the slaying of the Egyptian first-born, Israel still is not redeemed until she participates in her own liberation by offering the paschal lamb, preparing in haste to exit Egypt. From this we learn the wisdom of the adage, “G-d helps those that help themselves!”

My friends, we learn that what allowed our ancient Israelite ancestors to finally leave Egypt was their ability to contribute to their own destiny. This week the Torah reminds us that while help can emanate from many sources, the best way to accomplish anything is to realize what we can do for ourselves!

Shabbat Shalom

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HONOURS:

If you are receiving an Honour/Aliyah, please introduce yourself to the *Gabbai* at the door. Please arrive early to ensure a minyan for *kaddish* at the beginning of the service.



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רפואה שלמה / We wish a *Refuah Shleimah*, a complete and speedy recovery:

Owen Weinstein - *Aharon ben Leah Chaya*

Yita Rochel bat Feiga

Bunim ben Shaina Fruma

Mordechai ben Shoshana

Shmuel ben Reizel

Yerachmeel Pinchas ben Tzipora

Yeched bat Sura

Rifka Sarah bat Tziporah

Howard Snobel - *Svi ben Nahama*

Steffi Goodfield - *Sara Rivka bat Esther Kaila*

Arlene Sivakoff

Eli Bard - *Eliahu ben Luba*

Shalomas Chaya bat Golda

Yisrael ben Nachamah

Yaacov Leib ben Chana

Charlotte Grad - *Chaya bat Tupsha*

Peter Gold - *Pinchas Leib ben Sara Rochel*

Daniel Mordechai ben Tzila

Esther bat Miriam

To add a name to this list, please call the shul office or email admin@beitrayim.org

Announcements

Today's kiddush has been generously sponsored by Lonny Kates and Mitchell Wein in memory of Lonny's father, Michael Kates z'l

This week January 13 - 19, 2018 we remember the following *yahrzeits*:

Mel Craven z'l, father of Leah Craven

Anna Forte z'l, mother of Tina Forte Rosenzweig

Irving Halberstadt z'l, father of Morley Halberstadt

Morris Hamat z'l, father of Richard Hamat

Nathan Janit z'l, father of Selwyn Janit

Michael Kates z'l, father of Lonny Kates

Solomon Katz z'l, father of Eddie Katz

Yermie Siegel z'l, father of Irving Siegel

Sarah Silver z'l, mother of Lou Silver

Kevin Snobel z'l, brother of Ernie Snobel

Eva Sultz z'l, mother of Harry Sultz

Daphne Zarenda z'l, mother of Shelley Sefton

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Next class : January 18th, 7:00 pm



LUNCH & LEARN

WITH **CHUCK TICKER**

AVOIDING DISPUTES IN ESTATE PLANNING:
GUARDIANSHIP, WILLS & ESTATES

Saturday, January 13th at 12:30 P.M.

Room A at the SRC

Babysitting available

Learn how advance planning can help
avoid disputes later



Shabbat Shira

January 27, 2018

This year's presentation will be based on
Pumpkin Flowers by Matti Friedman.

Interested participants and volunteers please contact
brhood@beitrayim.org

Donations are welcome: please contact the office at
905-303-5471



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FAMILY SERVICES

A spiritual experience for the whole family
with Sharon Stern

Join us for our **NEW** Shabbat Family Services in Room A at the JCC from
10:45 am—11:45am. The service will be followed by congregational kiddush.

JANUARY 13, 2018

A special Shabbat welcoming Grade 3 & 4

Shabbat and Yom Tov Parking

Parking for Beit Rayim congregants is free on Shabbat and Yom Tov.

If you require assistance with your parking, please contact the information desk at the Schwartz Reisman Centre.

