

Annual Torah Reading
Leviticus 25:1 - 27:34
(Etz Hayim, p.738)

**Beit Rayim
Triennial Reading**
Leviticus 25:39 - 26:46
(Etz Hayim, p.744)

Haftarah
Jeremiah 16:19 - 17:14
(Etz Hayim, p.763)

Candle Lighting
8:14 p.m.

Havdalah
after 9:23 p.m.

**Mincha/Kabbalat
Shabbat**
Services cancelled

Shabbat Services
Saturday, May 12
9:00 a.m. (GCC)

Mincha/Maariv Service
Services cancelled

Sunday Morning Minyan
Services cancelled

Rabbi
Chezi Zionce

Cantor
Eli Bard

Assistant Cantor
Jaclyn Cepler-Klinitz

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Rabbi Sol Tanenzapf, z"l

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May 11 - 12 2018
26 - 27 Iyyar 5778

Parshiot Behar-Bechukotai
פרשת בהר־בחוקתי

**Bar Mitzvah
of
Lucas Kalechstein**



**Welcome to
Beit Rayim
ברוכים הבאים**

“Chezi’s Chochma” by Rabbi Zionce

We send our wishes to Rabbi Chezi for a *refuah shlemah* as he rests and recuperates. For now, please enjoy his *Chochma* from May 2016 / Iyyar 5776

Shalom,

This period of time between the festivals of Pesach and Shavout is a strange one. Biblically it is known as the period of the *Omer*, a happy time of the barley harvest for ancient Israel. But strangely enough this is not a happy time in the Jewish calendar. This is a time of semi-mourning, a time when we are not supposed to listen to music, when we do not conduct weddings. Why? Says the Talmud: because it was during this period of time that the 24,000 students of Rabbi Akiva all died of a plague. Our sages tell us that the reason was “*mipnei shelo nahagu kavod zeh l’zeh*—because they did not show respect to each other.”



The late, great *Lubavitcher Rebee* taught that they didn't show respect to each other's opinions. As students of *Torah*, there are always disagreements, there are always differences of opinions. But that doesn't mean that one should belittle the other's opinions.

I am writing these words on *Lag B'Omer*, the 33rd day in the counting of the *Omer*; a day of rejoicing and celebrating, because on this day the plague stopped. Rabbi Akiva's students stopped dying. And I guess they all stopped being disrespectful to each other, focusing instead on what their teacher, Rabbi Akiva, considered the greatest mitzvah of all: “*V'ahavta l'reicha kamocho*—to love thy neighbor as thyself.”

May we take this lesson to heart, fulfilling the hope expressed by the Psalmist: “May the words of my mouth and the thoughts of my heart find favour before You, O G-d my rock and my redeemer.”

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*

Arlene Sivakoff

Rabbi Chezi Zionce –*HaRav Yechezkel ben Tzipora Feigel*

Yisrael ben Nachamah

Yaacov Leib ben Chana

Eli Bard - *Eliahu ben Luba*

Shalomas Chaya bat Golda

Charlotte Grad - *Chaya bat Tupsha*

Peter Gold - *Pinchas Leib ben Sara Rochel*

Daniel Mordechai ben Tzila

Esther bat Miriam

Susan Dick-Goodman

Sarah Tziporah bat Golda

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

תודה / The Congregation thanks the following families for donating to Beit Rayim:

Chuck & Susan Ticker in memory of Morris Seltzer z”l, father of Roslyn Ticker

Gil & Athena Kay in memory of Gil’s mother, Naomi Kay z”l

Moishe & Linda Grossinger in memory of Moishes’s mother, Rose Grossinger z”l

Ted & Miriam Benyovits in gratitude to the Beit Rayim community for their support of Ted’s book
“Unsung Heroes”

Announcements

Mazal tov to David & Brianne Kalechstein and brother Aidan on Lucas’ Bar Mitzvah

We bid a fond farewell to our office administrator, Shelly Yachaeu, who is leaving Beit Rayim to pursue a new opportunity. It has been a pleasure working with Shelly and we wish her every success in the future.

This week May 12 - 18, 2018 we remember the following *yahrzeits*:

Miriam Rapport z”l, mother of Jonathan Kahane-Rapport

Donald Harold Rich z”l, father of Michele Carmona

Sophie Salkovitch z”l, mother of Stephen Salkovitch

Morris Seltzer z”l, father of Roslyn Ticker

Reuben Stein z”l, father of Larry Stein

Shloima Steinhart z”l, father of Paula Silver

Marla Strauss z”l, sister of Elissa Shnier

Orly Watkin z”l, sister of Tali Smith

תהא נשמתם צרורה בצרור החיים - *May their souls be bound up in the bonds of eternal life*



Israel BBQ

in the park

Wood Valley Park



Join Beit Rayim and Toronto's Shinshinim as we:

- * Enjoy hamburgers and hot dogs fresh off the grill
- * Share Kabbalat Shabbat under the stars
- * Music, fun & games for the whole family



Pre-registration required
Minimum donation is \$36 per family.
Please register at beitrayim.org or call the office 905-303-5471



Please do not engage in conversation in the kiddush area immediately outside our sanctuary. Any noise in this area disturbs the service. If necessary, please feel free to step out to the atrium.

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.



We are so proud of our Hebrew School and students. 10 Beit Rayim students participated in the city-wide Chidon HaTanach contest. We won 2nd place in the grade 5-6 division and 1st and 2nd place in the grade 7-8 division. Kol HaKavod to everyone who participated!



Want to be part of something truly special?

We are looking for two warm and welcoming host families for our next set of *Shinshinim*, arriving in August. Please contact Lorraine Bloom at lorraine.bloom@sympatico.ca or 905-889-4424

for more information about this fabulous opportunity.

*Shabbat
Shal...ohm...
Yoga*

**Connect with community.
Connect with your body and mind.
Open the heart.**



**Saturday Mornings
11:00 - 12:00
Room B**

