

# Shabbat Shalom



**This will be my last weekly email. It has been my pleasure keeping you all up to date on all school happenings, synagogue happenings, holiday videos, and the parsha of the week. I hope you have enjoyed my weekly emails these so many years. Michelle Krain, the new principal, will start to send out weekly emails starting August (please look out for them). In addition, she will be mailing the school packets for the school year 2023-2024 in early August. The book forms are due back by August 20<sup>th</sup> to insure we have the books by the first day of school. Michelle is excited to getting started and getting to know all the families. I know you all will welcome Michelle with open arms. We all look forward to working with her!**

*The board of Education and I would like to wish Jennifer Smith a wonderful retirement!!! This Friday June 23<sup>rd</sup> is her last work day at Temple Beth Ahm. Jenn has been such a wonderful, dedicated, and really efficient office accounts manager. It was my pleasure to work with her all these years. I thank her for all her hard work and all she did for the religious school and the synagogue. Jenn, all the best in all your future endeavors. You will be missed by us all!!*

**Parents, please send in the registration form by June 30<sup>th</sup> (this week) for school year 2023-2024**

**Important!!!!**

**All students should be practicing Hebrew a few minutes a few times a week during the summer. If you feel your child needs tutoring in the summer let me know.**

<https://www.kveller.com/5-ways-to-foster-jewish-learning-and-fun-all-summer/>

## [5 Ways to Foster Jewish Learning \(and Fun!\) All Summer](https://www.kveller.com/5-ways-to-foster-jewish-learning-and-fun-all-summer/) [Kveller](https://www.kveller.com/5-ways-to-foster-jewish-learning-and-fun-all-summer/)

Two weeks ago, I watched my 6-year-old daughter run around the lawn of our temple, celebrating the end of the religious school year. The kids left the picnic with face paint and dirty knees, my daughter hugging her friends goodbye. As we got into the car, it struck me that summer was possibly going to [...]

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Summer doesn't have to mean a break from Hebrew. Share these resources with students to help keep their language comprehension skills sharp. Digital Resources On our Play & Learn page Find plenty of free resources for students to use over the summer. Hebrew learners of all ages can: - [store.behrmanhouse.com](https://store.behrmanhouse.com)

**Delicious Honey Cake for the Holidays!**  
**The first day of Rosh Hashanah is Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Orders are due by 8/25/23**  
**Firm date so please order early**

**We will be distributing the cake on Wed. Sept 13th and  
Thursday Sept. 14th**

**Baked by: Mark's Bakery (Mark Leveene - TBA member) in  
our synagogue's kitchen**

**Help Support Temple Beth Ahm by purchasing delicious Honey  
Cake for the Holidays!**

**We are offering Home Made Pareve Honey Cake  
(1) 8 Inch Loaf Cake - \$12.00**

**Cakes will be available for pick up at Temple Beth Ahm on  
Wed. Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> and Thurs. Sept 14<sup>th</sup> 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

**To order fill out the form below and return it ASAP to:  
Temple Beth Ahm – 550 Lloyd Road, Aberdeen NJ 07747  
ATT: Honey Cake Order**

**Orders must be received no later than 8/25/23**

**Orders must include your check made payable to Temple  
Beth Ahm.**

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**Honey Cake for the Holidays – Due Aug. 25, 2023 – Firm date –  
Please order early!!!**

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Phone # \_\_\_\_\_**

**8 Inch Loaf Cake - # of Loaves \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$12 each.**

**Total amount Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**GLUTEN FREE HONEY CAKES FOR THE HOLIDAYS** – Mark's Bakery is offering GLUTEN FREE Honey cakes for the holidays. Cakes will be made with King Arthur's gluten-free 1+1 flour instead of all-purpose flour. All of the rest of the ingredients are the same as the regular honey cakes. Cakes will be made on equipment previously used to make items made with all-purpose flour. Cakes are \$40.00 for 3 (you must buy 3 or multiples of 3). Cakes may be frozen and will last in your freezer for up to 6 months. To order, send an email to Mark Leveene at [mleveene@hotmail.com](mailto:mleveene@hotmail.com) before August 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Mark's Bakery Now has Specialty Cookies**  
**Order for your private use. They are delicious!!**

## Temple Beth Ahm Religious School Cookie Extravaganza

Baked by: Mark's Bakery (Mark Leveene - TBA member) in our temple's kitchen

Help support Temple Beth Ahm Religious School by purchasing delicious cookies for yourself, guests, friends, parties, office workers or anytime you want to give a special gift.

All cookies are dairy. All cookies are nut-free. Quantities are approximate

<u>Autumn Spice Cookies</u>	4 dozen/\$15.00
Pumpkin spice cookies with oatmeal, chocolate chips, raisins, pumpkin seeds, coconut	
<u>Caramel Shortbread Bar Cookies</u>	3 dozen/\$15.00
Shortbread bar cookies covered with caramel and a chocolate glaze	
<u>Chewy Chocolate Chip Cookie Bars</u>	24 bars/\$14.00
Bar cookies with brown sugar and chocolate chips	
<u>Chunk Wild Cookies</u>	5 dozen/\$15.00
Oatmeal cookies with white and dark chocolate chips, brown sugar	
<u>Chocolate Crinkle Cookies</u>	3 dozen/\$12.00
Dark, fudge-like cookies with powdered sugar topping	
<u>Chocolate Mocha Chunk Cookies</u>	3 dozen/\$14.00
Chocolate Mocha cookies with chocolate and espresso chocolate chips	
<u>Dalmatians</u>	4 dozen/\$18.00
Shortbread cookies with chocolate mini-chips	
<u>Granola Oatmeal Cookies</u>	3 dozen/\$18.00
Oatmeal cookies with house-made granola, raisins, chocolate chips	
<u>Thick and Chewy Triple Chocolate cookies</u>	4 dozen/\$15.00
Chocolate cookies made with 3 types of chocolate	
<u>Whole Wheat Apple-cinnamon Cookies</u>	2 ½ dozen/\$10.00
Whole wheat oatmeal-apple cookies with cinnamon, nutmeg	

Fill out the form below and return it to: TBA Religious School office ATT: Bake Sale

Please include your check made payable to Temple Beth Ahm.

**CHECK MUST ACCOMPANY ORDER!!!!!!**

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pick-Up Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

REVISED October 2022

I asked all of you on the last day of school to show your child the following parasha video clips weekly. They are interested when we talk about the parasha in school and when I showed these clips during Sunday virtual learning.

## ***Parasha - Korach - He was a Levite who rebelled against Moshe***

<https://vimeo.com/5263304>



### Parshat Korach

Ready for a rumble? It's Korach versus Moses ONE NIGHT ONLY! the TABERNACLE! Who will prevail as the leader....who will face G fury? This is Episode...

vimeo.com

**Shabbat begins Friday evening 6/23/23 at 8:13 PM**

**Shabbat ends 6/24/23 at 9:23 PM**

• 5Tammuz 5783

### • **Parashat Korach**

- The name Korach means *baldness, ice, hail, or frost*, and is the second word, and the first distinctive word, in the parasha. It tells of Korach's failed attempt to overthrow Moses.

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- **Fifth parasha in the fourth book of the Torah**  
**"Numbers" (BaMidbar-In the desert)**
- **Torah Reading:** Numbers: 17:25-18:32 (p. 869)
  - Haftarah: 1 Samuel 11:14-12:22 (p.877)

**In person Kabbalat Shabbat service on Friday 6/23/23 at  
6:00 pm  
at the home of Elly and Mark Rosenthal (rain or shine)  
An oneg will follow!  
All welcome!!!**

**In person Shabbat service 6/24/23 at 9:30 am  
Maariv and Havdalah 6/24/23 - 9:30 pm on  
Zoom 550 999 2020 Passcode 309875**

**DVAR TORAH**

**Summary**

**Prepared by Rabbi Joseph Prouser**

**The Torah's prototypical dissenter, Korach, supported by Dathan and Aviram, and leading a force of 250 men, incites a rebellion against Moses, assailing his claim to unique leadership. A dismayed Moses challenges his detractors to a cultic confrontation. Both the impudent rebels and Aaron are to bring offerings of incense on**

fire pans; Moses explains that “the man whom the Lord chooses, he shall be the holy one.” After Korach gathers the community to witness the decisive event, a frustrated God threatens to destroy the entire nation. Moses intervenes, praying: “God, Source of the breath of all flesh, when one man sins, will You be wrathful with the whole community?” God relents, ordering Moses to instruct the Israelites to distance themselves from Korach’s band. In accordance with Moses’ explicit warning, the earth opens up and swallows Korach, his ringleaders, and their households; fire consumes the rebels offering the incense, and the horrified and panicked community of Israel flees in fear. Eleazar collects the fire pans that the rebels had used – unauthorized but now deemed sacred – to be used to cover the altar, as a reminder of the terrible consequences of this – or similar – uprisings. Despite the vindication of Moses and the dire fate of his detractors, the Israelite community begins to “murmur,” to complain against Moses and Aaron. This ill-advised sedition is met with further divine wrath: 14,700 Israelites perish in a punitive plague, which is curtailed by Aaron’s expiatory intercession. Further divine proof is offered to substantiate the leadership of Moses and Aaron. Twelve staffs are provided, each inscribed with the name of a tribal chieftain; one staff is



inscribed with Aaron's name. Aaron's staff miraculously sprouts, and it is placed beside the Ark as a reminder to other would-be rebels. Following a fearful lament by the Israelites about the lethal power of God's sanctuary, the Levites and priests are charged specifically with all that pertains to the sacred precincts and with the responsibility of keeping unauthorized parties from compromising its sanctity. The sacerdotal mission of the tribe of Levi is met with a number of perquisites: sacrificial emoluments – “the best of the new oil, wine, and grain, the choice parts that Israelites present to the Lord” – as well as tithes, are assigned to the priests and the Levites.

Shabbat Shalom,

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**CHIEF RABBI**

**Rabbi Efriam Mirvis**

**Who turned On off? At the beginning of Parashat Korach, On, the son of Peleth is presented to us as being one of the key agitators who supported Korach in his rebellion against Moshe and Aharon.**

**But as the story unfolds, On's name doesn't appear again. What happened to him? The Midrash**

**explains, that On came home to his tent, reported to his wife his intentions to join Korach, and she gave him a piece of her mind. “It is going to be disastrous,” she said, “And in addition to that, you won’t get any personal gain.” He was convinced by her words. However, he said “I am a man of my word, I gave my commitment to them so therefore tomorrow morning I am going to present myself to Korach, and I’m going to support him.”**

**In order to protect him, she gave him something strong to drink. As a result he didn’t wake up that morning. She and her married daughter then uncovered their hair, sat at their entrance to their tent. When Korach’s emissaries came round the camp in order to summon his followers to join them, they didn’t come close because they saw the women there in that state. And On carried on sleeping. He woke up later that morning to discover, that the calamitous rebellion was already over.**

**Here we find, a strong connection between the previous Parasha of Shelach Lecha and this week’s Parasha of Korach. It is all about influence. In Shelach Lecha we saw the extent of the potential influence that the spies would have over Joshua and over the people. In Korach we see, how those who lived close to Korach, were influenced by his**

**words and his charisma. And we discover the positive influence that On's Wife had over him. The Torah wants us to know, that with regard to influence, we should always choose wisely. We should choose where we live, who our friends are – and most importantly of all, who our spouse will be – with wisdom. Not everybody is lucky enough to be On, whose wife turned him off.**

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