

Parashat Va'eira — Mevarchim HaChodesh January 5 - 11, 2019 — 28 Tevet - 5 Shevat 5779

Torah reading — pg 318, Baal Koreh — Jerry Rotenberg Haftarah — Ezekiel 28:25-29:21 pg 1149 — Jacques Ruda

Taste of Torah parashah shiur with Essie Fleischman at 10:00 am in the Gallery Prayer Pearls: Connecting Tefilah with Reb Noam Horowitz at 11:00 am in the Foyer

Rabbi Yaakov Chaitovsky
Ilene Rosen—Executive Director
Jeff Kline— Shul President

Cantor Martin Goldstein
Cantor Emeritus Joel Lichterman
Cantor Emeritus Zachary Kutner



Please join us for Kiddush in the Foyer sponsored by BMH-BJ.

If you wish to sponsor a Kiddush, breakfast, or rent space in the synagogue please call us at 303-388-4203. Please respect the sanctity of our services by refraining from entering or leaving while the ark is open, Mourners Kaddish, Kedusha and Sermon.

Please note that our services are cell free zones.

Thank you to the Ruda, Moskowitz and Hull families who sponsored breakfast after the minyan on Tuesday, Jan 8th, on the occasion of the yahrzeit of their mother, **Sylvia Ruda**, **z"l**

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Andy Schwartz, Jeff Kline, or Ilene Rosen.

Service Times

Saturday — January 5

Daf Yomi 8:00 am Sanctuary: 9:00 am Chapel: 9:15 am Mincha 4:30 pm Havdalah 5:32 pm

Sunday— January 6

Daf Yomi 7:30 am Shacharit, Chapel 8:30 am Mincha/Maariv 4:35 pm

Monday— January 7 Rosh Chodesh Shevat

Daf Yomi 5:30 am Shacharit, 6:30 am Mincha/Maariv 4:35 pm Sefer HaChinuch 8:00 pm

Tuesday — January 8

Daf Yomi 5:45 am Shacharit 6:45 am Mincha/Maariv 4:35 pm

Wednesday - January 9

Daf Yomi 5:45 am Shacharit 6:45 am Rabbi's Class 7:30 am Mincha/Maariv 4:35 pm

Thursday— January 10

Daf Yomi 5:30 am Shacharit 6:30 am Mincha/Maariv 4:35 pm

Friday— January 11

Daf Yomi 5:45 am Shacharit 6:45 am Candle Lighting 4:35 pm Mincha 4:35 pm שבת שלום ומבורך!

Parashah Summary

The Israelites have been a slave people in Egypt for four hundred years when G-d instructs Moses to go down from Midian to negotiate with Pharaoh for their release. Moses, joined by his brother Aaron, follows G-d's instructions. They come before Pharaoh to propose a three-day holiday for the Israelites. Pharaoh angrily rejects their proposal and responds by harshening the work load of the Israelites.

In the *Sidrah*, Moses is instructed to go with Aaron once again. At this second appearance to plead for the Israelites, Pharaoh demands evidence of Moses and Aaron that they are truly G-d's messengers. They perform a remarkable act with a magical rod but Pharaoh is not impressed. His magicians can match the performance. They leave the palace once again disappointed with their mission.

The time for talking with Pharaoh is now at an end and a period of action begins. A series of terrible plagues come upon Egypt, but Pharaoh remains stubborn and does not release the Israelite slaves.

In Today's Haftarah

The *Haftarah* is from the Book of Ezekiel. The Prophet Ezekiel was among the exiles who were taken captive by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylonia in 598 B.C.E. Along with some of his fellow-exiles, Ezekiel settled in Tel Aviv on the Chebar Canal. It was a difficult period for his people. Ezekiel keeps his faith in G-d strong and he shares that faith with the exiles. Ezekiel assures them that G-d will yet bring about their return to Jerusalem.

In the meanwhile, in addition to helping the exiled Israelites in Babylonia, Ezekiel also sends messages to those Hebrews who have remained in the Holy Land. They have made a political alliance with Egypt because they think that Egypt will save them from Babylonian conquest. But Ezekiel warns them strongly to stay away from Egyptian connections. Egypt is not a dependable ally. Ezekiel predicts, too, that Egypt will eventually be conquered by Babylonia, as well.

The theme link between the *Sidrah* and the *Haftarah* is that of Egypt, an undependable land in its dealings with the Hebrews in Moses' time and again in Ezekiel's day.

Clergy Classes—Come Learn!

Kabbalah and Jewish History —Sundays, January 6 — February 10 at 10:45 am in the Chapel A six week course with Cantor Marty. Join us as we continue to explore the basics of Kabbalah and how it is woven into the fabric of Jewish history. We will delve into thought-energy and the power of Love, Kindness and the Sharing aspects of Hashem hat has been channeled through the Human Chariots of the sefirot such as Abraham and Moses. No prior knowledge necessary just and open mind.

"Tell Me More..." —Tuesdays at 7:15 pm in the Gallery beginning January 15
From Creation to the Second Temple—a crash course in biblical literacy. A fast-paced, guided tour of the characters, contents, and important ideas of every book of the Bible/Tanach.

Daily/Weekly Torah Learning

- ▶ Daf-Yomi one hour before Shacharit
- Rabbi Fleischmann
- ► Law, Legend & Lore daily after Mincha
- Rabbi Chaitovsky
- ► Sefer HaChinuch Mondays at 8:00 pm
 - Rabbi Stern
- ► "Tell Me More..." Tuesdays at 7:15 pm
 - Rabbi Chaitovsky (beginning 15 January 2019)
- ► Verse by Verse through the Torah

Wednesdays at 7:30 am - Rabbi Chaitovsky

► Conversational Hebrew Class

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm - Roberta Feinsmith

- ► Women's Parasha Shiur Thursdays at 11:00 am
- Ellyn Hutt (there is NO class on 10 January 2019)
- ► Taste of Torah Shabbat at 10:00 am
- Essie Fleischmann
- ▶ Prayer Pearls Shabbat at 11:00 am
 - Reb Noam Horowitz
- ► Ten Minutes of Text Shabbat at Seudah Shelishit
- Rabbi Chaitovsky
- ► Kabbalah & Jewish History Sundays at 10:45 am
 - Cantor Goldstein (first class on 6 January 2019)

Birthdays Renee Leventhal, Nicole Feldman, Stephen Shraiberg, Ori Barsheshet Saltzman, Gabrielle Penn, Ama Rosen, Heath Jonscher, Eli Diamant, Edward Wiener, Marvin Cooper, Aaron Zapiler, Greg Jackson, Hillel Goldberg, Jeannette Furer (80!), Ruth Potashnick, Ethan Veta, Harriet Saliman, Greg Jackson, Joseph Warren, Mordecai Magencey

Anniversaries Farrel & Elizabeth Sher (51) Joel & Stacy Rozansky (8)

Refuah Sheleima/Speedy Recovery Chaim Binyamin ben Sara, Sara Behmoaras, Deborah Dunn (Devorah Leah bat Ita Liba), Linda Fox, Max Furer, Dr. Stuart Gottesfeld, Crystal Hickman, Doniel Kaye, Dr. Mickey Mandel, Jerry Marcus (Hillel David Chaim ben Miryam), Aileen Marcus (Amalia Ester bat Chana), Mark Millenson, Tamar bat Phoebe, Toby Mower, John Peterson, Lionel Richman, Harriet Saliman, Lilian Schaeffer, Ben Streltzer, Beth Rosen (Shifra bat Ethel Brindel), David Weinstein, Terry Wolf

Yahrzeits

Shabbat, January 5, 2019 / 28 Tevet 5779 Ekaterina Abraham, Harry Bobrick, Louise S. Cohen, Joseph Cooper, Aliza Eilon, Samuel Eisen, Gizella Farkas, Paul Fischer, Izak Fisherowitz, Richard D. Friedman, Elaine Glickman, Isaac Goodman, M. Ray Gottesfeld, Lillian Kagan, Louis Keller, Ida Lampert, Louis Landow, Hyman Litvin Levin, Harry Lightstone, Esther Lonstein, Leo Lubliner, Evelyn Mervis, Bessie Miller, Kurt Philipp, Anna Reed, Ann Reinstein, Harry Rogers, Bertha Rosenberg, David E Schaefer, Frances Slatken, Yetta Sommer Sunday, January 6, 2019 / 29 Tevet 5779 Bessie Berkow, Sanford A. Berkowitz, Helen Buchwald, Oscar Geisler, Morris Griss, Edith Held, Sophia Hersh, Muriel Huttner, Marilyn Huttner, Goldie Koscove, Bernard Liebman, Eva Mozes, Mollie Radetsky, Loren Schottenstein

Monday, January 7, 2019 / 1 Shevat 5779 Peter Austin, Edith Backstein, Walter Black, Mary Bodow, Bernard Cohen, Stanley Cook, Joseph Fowler, Anne Brownie Goldberg, Sol J. Grazi, Leslie Grey, Maxine Hailpern, Benjamin David Katchen, Murray Kopilow, Fannie Kornfeld, Jennie Lazarus, Minna Levitt, Lazaro Medina, Jennie Melnick, Fanny Menkofsky, Mano Newman, Paul Numerof, Lena Solomon Oppenheim, Esther Prezant, Eva Rogell, Sarah Safer, Stephen Silver, Ada Soltz, Harry Stepsay, Libby (Lillian) Tanger, Jacob Tepper, Mary Waldman, Cantor Herman Wanger, Harry Weiss, Joseph Witkin, Rose Zall, Samson Zwiebel Tuesday, January 8, 2019 / 2 Shevat 5779 Arnold Averch, Daniel Bilker, Aaron Bronstein, Jerry Feld, Joe Frank, Samson Geltser, Marjorie Goldberg, Nathan Goldstein, Richard Gould, Albert Cohen Hemsi, Charlotte Herold, Sheldon Hank Hyatt, Rosa Kats, Polina Kleyman, Benjamin Ledder, Benjamin Levin, Devid Mayo, Laura Mermelstein, Hyman L. Meyer, Rose Wolkow Miller, Hilda Pavell, Annette Preece, Josie Rosenweig, Sylvia Sara Ruda, Phil Saffil, Abraham Schneider, Samuel M. Segal, Henry W. Shur, Irwin Simon, Harry Slatkin, Sol Stern, Morris Susman, Michael Tarlie, Stanley Wolfgang, Morris Aaron Wolin Wednesday, January 9, 2019 / 3 Shevat 5779 Yosef Abramovich, Dora Alex, Florence Bilett, Nathan Block, Tillie Boxer, Jack Cohan, Anna Cohen, Celia Coopersmith, Sidney Cornfield, Ann Lynn Cytron, Fannie Gluckstern, Dr. Isadore Goldbloom, Dennis Gorkin, Koby Rani Gruenwald, Shalom Heller, Gisa Klinger, Dr. Howard Kominsky, Morris Kurchick, Tillie LeNoble, Anna Levy, Aron Litvak, Samuel Benjamin Miller, Abe Nadler, Ida Pailet, Sam Primock, Sylvia Ritter Richards, Rose Rosen, Martha Stein, Sarah Stein, Jack Strauss, Minnie Toltz, Nathan Urofsky

Thursday, January 10, 2019 / 4 Shevat 5779 Sophie Beck, Vilma Bernstein, Henry Bronstein, Schlomo Yehuda Dym, Gertrude Frank, Shmuel Frenkel, Betty Goodside, Morris Hoffman, Sarah Janowitz, Jack Janowitz, Edith Kern, Ruvin Khaikinson, Benjamin David Lesser, Sophie Mae Lumer, Barry Alan Mozer, Rabbi Arnold Richter, Jennie Ruttner, Anne Schachet, Clinton Schwartz, Donna Shafton

Friday, January 11, 2019 / 5 Shevat 5779 Galena Bichuya, Lazarus Bricker, Abraham Brooks, Sam (Boots) J. Cohen, Harry O Cohn, Sam H. Edelman, Dorothy Greenberg, Harry Hayutin, Ben Hoffman, Israel Jultak, Manya Khurgina, Benjamin Ledder, Margaretta Lichtenthal, Dorothy Lutz, Lena Mozer, Matthew O. Seamans, Ann Oberfeld, Joseph Perlov, Celia Richman, Ben Samett, Jacob Seewald, Alan "Skip" Sigman, Barbara Handler Silverman, Dora Singer, David Paul Smith, Bessie Tyor, Albert Weisbly, Sam Weiss, Devora Wolarsky

Happenings @ BMH-BJ

Women's League Hamentaschen Baking — every Sunday, January 6 — March 17 at 9:30 am *Join us! Baking for Purim begins in January and we need volunteers weekly in the Dairy Kitchen.*

Women's Empowerment Shabbat — January 12

BMH-BJ will be hosting a Women's Empowerment Shabbat to honor the women of our community. Ellyn Hutt will be speaking to our congregations after services with a talk titled "A Real Women's March: Jewish Women's Through History."

Israel, President Truman, and a Taste of Bourbon —Sunday, January 13 at 6:30 pm

B'nai B'rith Colorado President, Frank Goldman, will be speaking about his grandfather's experience as President of B'nai B'rith International working with President Truman to recognize Israel as a state. Frank brings the story to life with a taste of bourbon for all participants.

Register at https://www.bmh-bj.org/event/IsraelTrumanBourbon

Shabbat Shira and New Member Shabbat —January 19

We will be honoring our new congregants at our New Member Shabbat on Shabbat Shira, January 19, 2019. Shabbat Shira, a musical highlight of the year, will feature the singing of old favorites as well as a new melody or two, all designed to raise our spirits in honor of Shabbat. Following services, both minyanim will join together for Kiddush, where we can all socialize and celebrate as a community.

Fourth Friday Shabbat Dinner — January 25 at 6:15 pm

The Fourth Friday Shabbat Dinner Series returns in January with a Tu'beshvat Shabbat. During a dinner with extra fruit and vegetables, Rabbi Chai and Cantor Marty will lead a Tu'beshvat sedar. Sign up at https://www.bmh-bj.org/event/Jan4Shab

BMH-BJ Goes to Dior —Sunday, January 27 at 11:00 am

The Young Professionals at BMH-BJ are heading to the Denver Art Museum to check out their latest exhibit, Dior: From Paris to the World. We are asking everyone to buy their tickets directly through the Denver Art Museum at https://tickets.denverartmuseum.org/DateSelection.aspx?item=1944 for the 11:00 Show. We will meet at 10:30 am in front of the

museum for bagels and cream cheese.



Purim Carnival Volunteers Needed!

The Purim Carnival is one our preschool's biggest fundraisers of the year. We need volunteers to help run games and activities, assist with food stations, and

