

BMHBJ

Shabbat Vayishlach

December 14 - 20, 2019 — 19 - 22 Kislev 5780

Daf Yomi 8:00 am, Shacharit — Daniel Neustadt

Torah reading — Gen. 32:4-36:43; pg 170, Baal Koreh — Jerry Rotenberg

Haftarah — Obadiah 1:1-21; pg 1141 — H. Michael Miller

Taste of Torah parashah shiur with Essie Fleischman at 10:00 am in the Gallery

Junior Congregation (grades 3-8) with Joel Rozansky at 10:30 am in room 113

"The Maccabee Within Us" guest presentation by Rabbi Gerson at 11:30 am in the Sanctuary

Rabbi Yaakov Chaitovsky

Ilene Rosen—Executive Director

Jeff Kline—Shul President

Cantor Martin Goldstein

Cantor Emeritus Joel Lichterman

Cantor Emeritus Zachary Kutner

The Week Ahead

Saturday— December 14

Shacharit (Sanct.) 9:00 am

Shacharit (Chapel) 9:15 am

Mincha/Maariv 4:15 pm

Havdalah 5:18 pm

Sunday— December 15

Daf Yomi 7:30 am

Shacharit 8:30 am

Dreidels and Donuts 9:30 pm

Mincha/Maariv 4:30 pm

Monday— December 16

Daf Yomi 5:30 am

Shacharit 6:30 am

Mincha/Maariv 4:30 pm

Sefer HaChinuch 8:00 pm

Tuesday— December 17

Daf Yomi 5:45 am

Shacharit 6:45 am

Mincha/Maariv 4:30 pm

Wednesday— December 18

Daf Yomi 5:45 am

Shacharit 6:45 am

Rabbi's Class 7:30 am

Mincha/Maariv 4:30 pm

Conversational Hebrew 7:00 pm

Thursday— December 19

Daf Yomi 5:30 am

Shacharit 6:30 am

Senior Chavurah 1:00 pm

Mincha/Maariv 4:30 pm

Friday— December 20

Daf Yomi 5:45 am

Shacharit 6:45 am

Candle Lighting 4:18 pm

Mincha 4:30 pm

שבת שלום ומבורך!



Please join us for Kiddush in the Social Hall 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.

Life & Legacy - Live On. Make a difference in your lifetime by making a difference in our future. For more information or to learn how to be a part of Life & Legacy contact one of our committee members: Brian Story, Lisa Engbar, Rabbi Chaitovsky, Andy Schwartz, Jeff Kline or Ilene Rosen.

Parashat Vayishlach (Gen. 32:4-36:43; pg 170)

The *sidrah* tells of Jacob's return to his home in Canaan. After having spent two decades away to avoid Esau's wrath he must confront him. Jacob sends messengers to forewarn his brother and Esau comes to meet him with four hundred men. In an attempt to avoid a battle fueled by revenge, Jacob sends many peace-offerings. The night before they meet, when Jacob is waiting alone, he is attacked by a mysterious stranger who he wrestles with until the break of dawn. When Jacob prevails, he tells the stranger "I will not let you go until you bless me." In the course of the blessing, Jacob is given a new name—Israel, meaning "He who strives with G-d." 'For you have struggled with G-d and with men, and you have won.'

At daybreak Jacob goes to meet Esau. He approaches slowly, bowing to the ground. Suddenly a man rushes toward Jacob and embraces him joyfully. It is Esau! He has, after all these years, forgiven Jacob. The meeting is a happy reunion between the two brothers, but Jacob's happiness on his return to Canaan is not to last. Soon his beloved wife, Rachel, dies. Then his old, sickly father, Isaac, dies too. Together, Esau and Jacob bury their father in the Cave of Machpelah in Hebron. The two brothers are united in sorrow.

In Today's Haftarah (Obadiah 1:1-21; pg 1141)

The *haftarah* from the book of Obadiah is the shortest in the *Nevi'im* (Prophets) consisting of one chapter. In it, Obadiah criticizes Edom, the southern neighbor and longtime enemy of Israel. Edom's worst betrayal of Israel took place soon after 586 B.C.E. when Jerusalem and the Temple had been destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar of Babylonia. The Edomites looted and massacred the defeated and weakened Judeans. What particularly angered the Prophet Obadiah against Edom was the fact that this traitorous neighbor was descended from Esau. In his condemnation of Edom, Obadiah was also protesting the hatred between nations. It is Obadiah's strong belief that G-d demanded justice of all the nations. The theme-link between the *sidrah* and the *haftarah* is the struggle between Jacob and Esau and later between their descendants.

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 (in the Gallery)
- ▶ **Verse by Verse through the Torah**
Wednesdays at 7:30 am - Rabbi Chaitovsky
- ▶ **Conversational Hebrew Class** Wednesdays at 7:00 pm
- Roberta Feinsmith (in the Library)
- ▶ **Women's Parashah Shiur** Thursdays at 11:00 am
- Ellyn Hutt (in the Gallery) (*on break until Jan 9th)
- ▶ **Taste of Torah** Shabbat at 10:00 am
- Essie Fleischmann (in the Gallery)
- ▶ **Ten Minutes of Text** Shabbat at Seudah Shelishit
- Rabbi Chaitovsky
- ▶ **Junior Congregation Schedule** at 10:30 am
- Joel Rozansky on Dec 14, Jan 11 & 25 (in room 113)



DAILY
MINYAN

Please use our new online sign-up portal through SignupGenius to help ensure our minyan takes place as it should twice daily so that those who need to say kaddish are able to do so. We ask every male member of our congregation to commit to coming to a weekday service once a month. This small individual commitment will make a large impact in our shul and community. You can schedule your minyan attendance online from now until the end of December by visiting: <http://bit.ly/BMHBJDEC>.

Mazal tov to Simcha Sarett and Lexie Last on their engagement!

Birthdays Barbara Burry, Benjamin Miller, Sandra Schiff, Mara Vinnik, Max Rosen, Lev Gershovich, Eunice Finer, Michael Paff, Gus Joshua, Shane Menter, Cantor Zachary Kutner, Michael Mechanik, Elvio Sadun

Anniversaries Stephen & Kay Shraiberg (47) Bob & Dianna L. Goldberg (47)
Jeffrey & Marsha Mechanik (52) Robert & Diane Hochstadt (53) Doug & Julie Averch (21)

Refuah Sheleima/Speedy Recovery Avrom ben Moishe, Bracha bat Basha, Daniel ben Batya, Esther bat Chana, Sara Behmoaras, Hally Bregman (Tzvi Arye ben Devorah), Eliya Feivel ben Miriam, Linda Fox, Frimette bat Miriam, Bobbi Furer, Paula Hutt, Pip Goldstein, Elaine Greenberg, Francine Greenberg (Feige Esther bat Ita Liba), Hilda Kass, Yitzchak ben Beile (Isaac Krajalnick), Shraga Feivel ben Sima (Fabian Krajalnick), Dona Mandell, Menucha bat Bayla Zelda, Mark Millenson, Rabbi Larry Moldo (HaRav Tzvi Liev ben Nechama), Mordechai ben Ida, Mordechai ben Pauline, Barbara Oxman, Lilian Schaeffer, Renee Shraiberg (Rivkah bat Ita), Jay Stark, Tamar bat Phoebe, Terry Wolf, Tziviya Trana bat Rivka, Yitzchak ben Feige, Clifford Weller, Pam Zeldin

Yahrzeits

Shabbat, December 14, 2019 / 16 Kislev 5780 Fred Cohen, Alex Epstein, Ida Freedberg, Philip Geller, Mary Gertz, Esther Heller, George Kaatz, Tibor Lebowitz, Milton Lipson, Rose Loup, Jack Abe Mandelbaum, Nancy Medvedy, Cecelia Meyer, Margaret Milstein, Toni Neumann, Sophie Phillips, Max Shendelman, Max Sorkin, Jerome Zohn

Sunday, December 15, 2019 / 17 Kislev 5780 Rose Asarch, David Damashek, Ida Davis, Ida B. Fladerman, Morris Fogel, Phil Greinetz, Louis Hoffberg, Sadie Karchmer, Tillie Kirschbaum, Sol L. Kruger, Bernard Barclay Levitt, Lillian Lieb, Jean Methner, Irwin Pepper, Sophie Rubenstein, Hile Sheldon, Jennie Dresner Starr, Jack Steinberg, Gordon Larry Wenner

Monday, December 16, 2019 / 18 Kislev 5780 Jeffrey Becker, Avraham Solomon Bloom, Abe Cohen, Jessie Fry, Nathan Gardenswartz, Gerald Gardenswartz, Joe Gordon, Ella Gross, Adeline Grossman, Ida Hellerstein, Bessie Hittelman, Beatrice Jultak, Hazzen Gregory Kwartin, Martin Leszman, Ike Lipsitz, Isadore Makovsky, Mary McCrensky, Goldie Naimark, Max Schwartz

Tuesday, December 17, 2019 / 19 Kislev 5780 Mary Aarons, Reuben Axler, Dr. Leonard E. Berk, Leah Bomash, Yefim Burda, Herbert Burdick, Mary L. Diamond, Sarah B. Epstein, Ernest Frolichman, Ida Goldfarb, Carrie Goldhammer, Sylvia Goodman, Elizabeth Grazi, Frances Gulinson, Manfred B. Joshua, Abraham Kamph, Sylvia Kaplan, Clara Kassov, Becky Katz, Fannie Katz, Israel Kortz, Shirley Nathanson, Zhare Perez, Norma Shirley Peterman, Morris S. Pomeranz, Frances Rosen, Dr. Jack J. Wasserstein

Wednesday, December 18, 2019 / 20 Kislev 5780 Paul Abrams, Esther Felsen Bergida, Ann Pepper Cohen, Henry Goldhammer, Richard Karner, Ellen Gibal Karsh, Isaac Kopilow, Lea Lore Lissauer, Gertrude Novitch, Margo Pokempner, Lilian Richman, Moishey Sandler, Sarah Goldberg Schwartz, Nathan Striker, Robert Donald Susman, Samuel Weinberg, Jack Zwiebel

Thursday, December 19, 2019 / 21 Kislev 5780 Yetta M. Berkens, James M. Butler, George Gelfand, Sophie Goldstein, Abraham Gruntfest, Moses Hellerstein, Motel Shmuel Hoffman, Benjamin Hurvitz, Regena Kippur, Gertrude Levinson, Charles Mozer, Gertrude Pepper, Sam Rubinson, Leah Spungin, Frances Tannenbaum, Max Yaker, Louise Zelinger, Aaron Arkie Ziskin

Friday, December 20, 2019 / 22 Kislev 5780 Ernest Abramson, Ralph Albi, Stefany Berkly, Mildred Gold, Sam Goldfogel, Eva Hendler, Matthew Hume, Michael Hume, Burton Kaplan, Jack Levine, Earl Lewis, Benjamin Lieberman, Robert Lustig, Molly Margulies, Esther Miller, Eva Pitler, Leopold Richards, Randi Ellen Schoen, Rose Silverman, Fred Sollender, Elis Fishbach Spitzer, Naomi Rothstein Sydney, Abe Weber, Ruth Schuster Weiss, Deena Zinn

Happenings @ BMH-BJ

Senior Chavurah, Musical Magic with Eric Roberts — Thursday, December 19 at 1:00 pm in the Gallery
Eric Roberts, local Denver musician and former member of Rocky Mountain Jewgrass, will perform a variety of musical styles for your listening pleasure. Come, enjoy and bring a friend!

Mini Rockin' Havdalah and Chanukah Crafts — Motzei Shabbat, December 21 at 6:00 pm
Families with preschool and elementary aged children are invited to kickoff their Chanukah celebrations. The evening will begin with a mini Rockin' Havdalah service where children play instruments and sing. Following the service, families will participate in a fun craft project to get ready for The Festival of Lights.

Christmas Mitzvah Project—December 24 & 25 at various times and locations
The Christmas Mitzvah Project has been a tradition in the local Jewish community for 24 years. Volunteers will prepare meals, collect gifts, answer phone calls, feed animals, visit patients, help at shelters, facilitate activities and staff gift shops at local non-profits. Register for your time slot and task of choice at <https://events.idonate.com/2019christmasmitzvahprojectvolunteer>

Mincha, Maariv, Havdalah changes— December 21 & 28, January 4 & 11
Mincha will take place on four Shabbatot at 12:30 pm — please stay after Kiddush to join us. Seudat Shlishit, Maariv and Havdalah will not be taking place at the shul on those dates.

Joint Shabbat Morning Service — Shabbat, December 28 in the Adelman Chapel
Due to maintenance projects taking place the week of December 23 our Sanctuary and Social Hall will be unavailable for Shabbat services. We will have a joint Shabbat service in the Adelman Chapel.

Junior Congregation with Joel Rozansky — January 11 & 25 at 10:30 am in room 113
Children grades 3-8 are invited to join Joel Rozansky for this fun and educational prayer service.

We are accepting care package donations by the front office now through February
Packages of water bottles, personal care products and snacks will be prepared and delivered to Denver's homeless population. Help us gather items for these packages and make a mitzvah for the needy.

**Kavod on the Road and
the BMH-BJ Senior Chavurah presents**



Musical Smörgåsbord with Eric Roberts

Enjoy a variety of music, including traditional classical guitar, jazz standards, Brazilian bossa nova, nuevo flamenco, original tunes and some of your favorite Hanukkah songs! Eric Roberts, a local Denver musician, has played in Broadway shows, backed up name entertainers and is a former member of Rocky Mountain Jewgrass.

Thursday, December 19 at 1:00 pm

RSVP: Rebecca 720.382.7848, RGershten@KavodSeniorLife.org
or KavodSeniorLife.org/signup

BMH-BJ
Women's League
Gift Shop

Chanukah 2019
Begins Sunday, December 22nd

A collage of Chanukah-themed gift items including a dreidel, a menorah, a latke, a box of candles, and a book titled 'PIN THE REBEL ENORAH STORY. 10 SONGS'.

Hours:
Monday - Thursday 10 am - 4 pm
Friday 10 am - 1 pm
Sunday 9:30 am - 1:00 pm
303-951-8238

We stock gift items for every occasion!