



Parashat Vayigash

December 23-29, 2017 — 5-11 Tevet 5778

Torah Reading — page 250, Baal Koreh — Jerry Rotenberg

Haftarah — Ezekiel 37:15-28 page 1144 — Cantor Lichterman

Rabbi Chaitovsky will discuss "Judah vs. Joseph: How's Your Approach Shot?"

Ten Minutes of Text with Rabbi Chaitovsky at Seudah Shlishit

Rabbi Yaakov Chaitovsky

Cantor Joel Lichterman

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In this *Sidrah* Joseph proposes to his brothers that they leave Benjamin in Egypt as a slave in exchange for their own freedom. Brother Judah pleads with Joseph to let him, Judah, stay on in Egypt instead, and allow Benjamin to go back to their father Jacob. Joseph is very much affected by this and realizes that his brothers have regretted what they did to him. Joseph can no longer hold back and identifies himself to his brothers. They are shocked and afraid. What might he do to them now by way of punishment? But, instead, Joseph quickly assures his brothers that he bears them no grudge for in fact he believes that it was the will of G-d that he should come to Egypt before them so he could save them from the famine at this time.

Joseph urges the brothers to go back to Canaan and bring Jacob and all the clan to Egypt. Pharaoh is pleased for Joseph and offers his family the best grazing land available in Goshen to settle. When Jacob comes down there is a joyous reunion between Jacob and Joseph, and all of the family.

Please join us for Kiddush in the Blitt Learning Hall sponsored by BMH-BJ.

If you are interested in sponsoring Kiddush or renting 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.

Our services are cell free zones.

Service Times

Saturday— December 23

Daf Yomi 8:00 am

Shacharit, Fisher Hall 9:00 am

Shacharit, Chapel 9:15 am

Taste of Torah 10:00 am

Mincha, Chapel 4:20 pm

Havdalah 5:22 pm

Sunday— December 24

Daf Yomi 7:30 am

Shacharit, Chapel 8:30 am

Mincha/Maariv 4:20 pm

Monday— December 25

Daf Yomi 7:30 am

Shacharit, Chapel 8:30 am

Mincha/Maariv 4:20 pm

Sefer HaChinuch 8:00 pm

Tuesday— December 26

Daf Yomi 5:45 am

Shacharit, Chapel 6:45 am

Mincha/Maariv 4:20 pm

Wednesday— December 27

Daf Yomi 5:45 am

Shacharit, Chapel 6:45 am

Cantor's Torah Class 7:30 am

Mincha/Maariv 4:20 pm

Thursday— December 28

Fast of Tevet

Daf Yomi 5:30 am

Fast Begins 5:50 am

Shacharit, Chapel 6:30 am

Ellyn Hutt's Class 11:00 am

Mincha/Maariv 4:20 pm

Fast Ends 5:15 pm

Friday— December 29

Daf Yomi 5:45 am

Shacharit, Chapel 6:45 am

Mincha 4:20 pm

Candle Lighting 4:24 pm

שבת שלום ומבורך!

Haftarah Summary

The Prophet Ezekiel was among the exiles taken captive by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylonia in 598 B.C.E. Along with some of his Hebrew fellow-exiles, Ezekiel settled in a place called Tel Aviv on the Chebar Canal. It was a difficult period for his people. They were a defeated nation in a foreign land. What hope was there for a return to their homeland? Had G-d rejected them forever? Ezekiel is inspired to renew the people's faith in G-d so that He will bring about their return to Jerusalem. The Prophet Ezekiel promises the exiles in Babylonia a great and wonderful time ahead—when they and the Israelites who had been exiled two centuries earlier (722 B.C.E.) from the Northern Kingdom would be brought back and be reunited as a nation once more. Then the people of the world would see and know that G-d and Israel were at peace once more.

The theme link between the *Sidrah* and the *Haftarah* is that of reunion. Joseph is reunited with the House of Jacob and the future will bring a reunion of all of its Jewish exiles.

January 2018 Events

Women's Interfaith Group —Monday, January 8, • 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm in the BMH-BJ Library

Ageless Adversity —Tuesday, January 9 • 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm at Temple Emanuel, 51 Grape Street

What does it mean to do "everything"? Learn to ask questions and make decisions that meet your goals with Dr. Aroop Mangalik, Internist and Hematologist-Oncologist at UNM School of Medicine and Law.

Wednesday Wisdom Series with Rabbi Chaitovsky — Jan 10, 17, 24, 31, Feb 7 and 14 at 10:00am and 7:30pm

Sage Tales: Amazing and Inspiring Talmudic stories about our greatest Rabbis, a six week course.

There is no charge for this class, but please RSVP via our website www.bmh-bj.org

BMH-BJ Senior Chavurah—Thursday, January 11 at 1:00pm in the Gallery

Dr. David Marsh presents: "Historic Highways, Finding the Heart of America on U.S. Highway 50."

Chesed Group Meeting —Tuesday, January 15 at 7:15pm in the Library

Please join us as we continue our efforts to help members of our shul community. Everyone is welcome.

For information or to volunteer contact Karen Douglass at 303-324-7384 or karencashdouglass@gmail.com

Family PJ Shabbat Service for Tots —Shabbat, January 20 at 10:30am in the Gallery

This is the opportunity for your little ones to have a Shabbat of fun. This is an interactive Shabbat experience with food, songs, art projects, and games. Kids may wear pajamas. Join us! Free event, RSVP requested.

Shalom/Salaam Women's Group meeting — Thursday, January 25 • 7:00 - 9:00 pm

The Saga of Sarah and Hagar. The Matriarchs of two great nations. Presented by two great mothers:

Essie Fleishman and Nuran Yimaz. *Mosaic Foundation. 10855 E. Bethany Drive. RSVP to light2u@comcast.net*

Shabbat Shira—23rd Anniversary —Saturday, January 27 at 9:00am

Join us for the mitzvah of hearing and participation in the Song of the Sea as we raise our voices together to create harmony through music in a journey in prayer and songs of joy.

Raisins and Almonds: A Tu B'Shvat Celebration —Sunday, January 28, 2018 at 5:00pm at the HEA

The Colorado Hebrew Chorale and Kol Nashim present a concert with festive foods and local vendors.

Tu B'Shvat all-day Preschool Event — Wednesday, January 31, 2018

South Africa Trip Planning Meeting — Wednesday, January 10 at 7:00 pm in the Gallery

Informational meeting on an exiting trip to South Africa with a Jewish flavor, May-June, 2018.

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

► **Sefer Shemot** Wednesdays at 7:30 am

- Cantor Lichterman

► **Women's Parasha Shiur** Thursdays at 11:00 am

- Ellyn Hutt (class resumes Dec. 28th)

► **Taste of Torah** Shabbat at 10:00 am

- Essie Fleischmann

► **Ten Minutes of Text** Shabbat at Seudah Shelishit

- Rabbi Chaitovsky

► **Wednesday Wisdom** - 10:00 am and 7:30 pm

- Rabbi Chaitovsky (on break till January)

Birthdays Hally Bregman, Yonatan Buckman, Jacob Eskanos, Michael Freiheiter, Justin Kimel, Raymond McLean, Meir Ephraim Neustadt, Sara Nieder, Jeffrey Parris, Ben Simler

Anniversaries Bernard & Ellen Spilka (64) Michael & Batzion Goodman (36)
Jeffrey & Sharon Waldman (52) Ronald & Audree Saliman (49)

Refuah Sheleima/Speedy Recovery Gloria Abrams, Sara Behmoaras, Francine (Feige Esther bat Ita Liba) Greenberg, Linda Fox, Elisa Panser Garner, Hazel Gensberg, Koby Gruenwald, Eleanor Hailpern, Crystal Hickman, Paula Hutt, Burton Kaplan, Doniel Kaye, Jerry (Hillel David Chaim ben Miryam) Marcus, Valerie Miller, Arlene Moss, Mark Reinhardt (Moshe b"Rachel Leah), Lilian Schaeffer, Scott Smith, Shana bat Mavis, Warren Toltz, David Weinstein, Cantor Maurice Weiss, Rosa Hilde Wolf

HaMakom Yenacheim Etchem

Roselyn Ash and Jocelyn (Jeffrey) Kraus and families on the loss of their husband and father,
Irving Ash, z"l.



Yahrzeits

Shabbat, December 23, 2017 / 5 Tevet 5778 Meyer Averch, John Gawerc, Hyman Gerskovitz, Mary Goldman, Lily Halpern, Emil Hecht, Sam Horwitz, Bertha Jacobs, Lev Katsnelson, Jean Z. Kolinsky, Heinz Kotlarczyk, Jacob Lewin, Gerald Merenstein, Sophie Miller, Mona Milzer, Libbie Steinberg, Arthur Wald, Belle Weinberg, Diana G. Weinstock, David Zahn

Sunday, December 24, 2017 / 6 Tevet 5778 Blaine Lee Block, Betty Epstein, Phyllis Frank, Earl E Friedland, Boris Fruman, Hazel Gardenswartz, Benjamin Ginsberg, Minia Gorelik, Abraham Grossman, Alfred Gunn, Elsie Haber, Arnold Held, Faye Kaatz, Vera Kessler, Lester Leight, Irving Lesser, Rose Litvak, David Jacob Paillet, Frank Quicksilver, Bessie Rabinowitz, Carl Richman, Abraham Rubin, Esther Seligson. Sarah Stern - Fox, Thelma Zeppelin

Monday, December 25, 2017 / 7 Tevet 5778 Rae Butterman, Bessie Cohen, Sam Eagle, Alan Feuer, Phillip Figa, Saul Galansky, Harry Greinetz, Boris Gurelich, Ralph Korklin, Anna Lackner, Rose M Levin, Jake Levitt, Beryl Lustigman, Helen Maier, Pauline Schechtel, David Silverstein, Morris Thaler, Harry Wasko

Tuesday, December 26, 2017 / 8 Tevet 5778 Sam Appleman, Morris Boxer, Ida Davis, Margaret Eskanos, Sarah Finkelstein, Adella Finstein, Ruvin Gershovick, Isaak S. Lerman, Fanny Mutnick, Rose Zaler Olken, Myndel Schneiderman, Ida Schnitzer, Ben Siegel, Samuel Sontag, Jessie Sosny, Sol Stahl, Ellis R. Weis

Wednesday, December 27, 2017 / 9 Tevet 5778 Irene Alexander, Naomi Bat Avraham, Jeanne Cohan, Max Dym, Sam Fireman, Max ben Peisah Frenkel, Morris Glavins, Ruth Glick, Ruth Goldberg, William F. Gross, Jacob Hailpern, Morris Hayutin, Joseph G. Karsh, Basya Kononov, Leatrice Lewis, Bonnie Seldin Margolin, Bernard Novicoff, Rita Sandler Raiter, Dorothy Rollnick, Gladys Rosenthal, Rose Rotenberg, Albert Rubin, Jennie Ruderman, Sarah Schoenberg, Abraham Sheftel, Norton Singer, Maurice I. Solomon, Augusta Steinhardt, Augusta Steinhardt, Pauline Tepper, Bessie Vean, Myer Wolfgang

Thursday, December 28, 2017 / 10 Tevet 5778 Ben Altman, Benjamin Fine, Miriam H. Goldberg, Dorothy Gottlieb, Harry W. Hoffman, Senta Klebe, Herbert Klebe, Lina Klebe, Josef Klebe, Miriam Klebe, Phil Levine, Dave Manassee, Gwendolyn Mandel, Mayme Miller, Elaine S. Ochman, Lynne Ochman, Louis Ramer, Bettie Pasternak Richtel, Jacob Rosenbach, Barbara Robinson, Frieda Schwartz, Nathan J. Shwartz, Nettie Tepper, Samuel Tepper, Anna Zapiler

Friday, December 29, 2017 / 11 Tevet 5778 Max Bomash, Eleanor Buckstein, Ruth Carsh, Louis E Cohan, Pesya Frenkel, Henry Gluckstern, Lillian Goldstein, Philip Katzman, Tillie Kaufman, Abe Markman, Henry L Michael, Morton L. Miller, Dee Joyce Norwick, David D. Right, Philip Saltzman, Bernard Schaffner, Cyril Shraiberg, Betty Slatkin, Simon Snyder, Max (Muttie) Wedgle, Esther Zalevsky, Betty Zouber

WEDNESDAY WISDOM SERIES WITH RABBI CHAITOVSKY

10:00 AM & 7:30 PM IN THE GALLERY

SAGE TALES: AMAZING & INSPIRING
TALMUDIC STORIES ABOUT
OUR GREATEST RABBIS

January 10

Wow! He's Everywhere: Elijah and The Talmud

January 17

So...You Want to Be a Rabbi

January 24

Moses at a Lecture of Rabbi Akiva

January 31

A Rabbi and A Roman Walk Into a Bar

February 7

It's So Simple a Caveman Could Do It

February 14

Rabbis Behaving Badly

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

Finding The Heart Of America:
U.S. Highway 50



Time magazine calls U.S. Highway 50 the "main street of America" as it extends from Maryland to Sacramento passing through Washington, D.C., Cincinnati, St. Louis and Kansas City. We will explore seven themes about the nature and heart of America using Highway 50 as an anchor, prompt and story board. Our "route" will follow the path of America's founding, early development, civil war and westward expansion to our current life together. Presented by Professor Emeritus David Marsh from University of Southern California in L.A.

Thursday, January 11 - 1:00 pm at BMH-BJ

RSVP: Karen Douglass,
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May-June 2018

"Trip of a Lifetime"

Final informational session will
be held on Wednesday, January 10

7:00 pm in the Gallery



Shabbat Shira

23rd Anniversary
Saturday, January 27, 2018
9:00am

Creating Harmony Through Music:
a Journey in Prayer & Songs of Joy



The mountains and hills
shall burst into song before you.

ההרים והגבעות יפצחו לפניכם רנה.