

## Parashat Mikeitz, Shabbat Chanukah, Rosh Chodesh December 8-14, 2018 — 30 Kislev - 6 Tevet 5779

Torah reading — pg 222, Baal Koreh — Jerry Rotenberg

Haftarah — Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7 pg 1210 — Cantor Goldstein

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

Cantor Martin Goldstein
Cantor Emeritus Joel Lichterman

# חנוכה שמח!

## **Community Chanukah Concert**



Sunday, December 9 at 6:00 pm, General Admission \$25

Cantor Marty and his daughter, rising star "Shilo Gold", will be performing a concert full of your favorite songs on the last night of the holiday. The concert will also feature an all-star band of some of Denver's finest musicians. A community candle lighting will start off the gala event. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Please join us for Kiddush in the Social Hall sponsored by BMH-BJ. Ice cream enhancement by Debbie Friedman in honor of her husband Rob Friedman's 65th birthday.

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.

#### **Service Times**

Saturday— December 8
Daf Yomi 8:00 am
Shacharit, Sanctuary 9:00 am
Shacharit, Chapel 9:15 am
Mincha, Chapel 4:15 pm
Havdalah 5:17 pm

Sunday— December 9
Daf Yomi 7:30 am
Shacharit, Chapel 8:30 am
Mincha/Maariv 4:20 pm

Monday— December 10 Daf Yomi 5:30 am Shacharit, Chapel 6:30 am Mincha/Maariv 4:20 pm Sefer HaChinuch 8:00 pm

Tuesday— December 11 Daf Yomi 5:45 am Shacharit, Chapel 6:45 am Mincha/Maariv 4:20 pm Rabbi's Class 7:15 pm

Wednesday— December 12 Daf Yomi 5:45 am Shacharit, Chapel 6:45 am Rabbi's Class 7:30 am Mincha/Maariv 4:20 pm

Thursday— December 6 Daf Yomi 5:30 am Shacharit, Chapel 6:30 am Mincha/Maariv 4:20 pm

Friday— December 7
Daf Yomi 5:45 am
Shacharit, Chapel 6:45 am
Candle Lighting 4:19 pm
Mincha 4:20 pm
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Brian Story, Lisa Engbar, Mel Engbar, Rabbi Chai, Andy Schwartz, Jeff Kline, or Ilene Rosen.

### **Parashah Summary**

Torah Reading 1.

The *Sidra* continues to follow Joseph's experiences in Egypt. Joseph had proven himself a successful interpreter of dreams while in prison, and when Pharaoh has dreams that even his wisest men cannot explain, his chief butler remembers Joseph and recommends him. Joseph comes before Pharaoh and interprets his dreams to mean that there will be seven good years ahead for the Egyptian empire, to be followed by seven bad years. Satisfied with the interpretation and with Joseph's suggestions to avoid disaster, Pharaoh appoints Joseph as his chief economic planner. Sold into slavery by his brothers when he was seventeen, Joseph at thirty, is now Pharaoh's valued adviser. The thirteen years of ups and downs have made Joseph, the cocky young fellow of Canaanite days, into a mature man in Egypt.

The seven prosperous years pass quickly, and Egypt enters into the period of famine. Hunger affects all of the ancient Middle East, including Canaan where Joseph's family still lives. Jacob urges his sons to go down to Egypt o buy grain for the clan. When Joseph's brothers appear before him, he recognizes them, but the brothers have not the slightest idea who the important Egyptian official is. Joseph has mixed feelings about his brothers. On the one hand, he is excited by this first meeting, after twenty years, with members of his family. On the other hand, a feeling of anger is awakened in Joseph as he recalls the treatment his brothers had given him. Joseph needs time to decide whether to make peace with his brothers or to take vengeance for the past. He plans to test them to see how they feel about their wrongdoing of long ago.

Torah Reading 2 for Rosh Chodesh pg 890

Torah Reading 3 Maftir pg 768

The supplementary Torah reading reports on the offerings brought by the tribal leaders of ancient Israel. Each day during the period in which the altar of the Sanctuary was dedicated, a tribal leader brought the day's sacrifice. The Torah emphasizes the selflessness of each leader. No one attempted to outdo his neighbor in the value of his gift to the Sanctuary.

### In Today's Haftarah

The *Prophet Zechariah* was one of the returnees from Babylon when Cyrus of Persia issued his Decree of Restoration to the exiles, in 537 B.C.E. But those who returned to Palestine were soon discouraged by the problems which they encountered. Here Zechariah, whose faith remained strong, brings a message of hope to the people. If only they will continue with their effort to reestablish the homeland which God has intended for them, there will be better times ahead. Zechariah urges them to "sing and rejoice" for God is among them. Not only will Zion be glad, but many nations will join with her in rejoicing. The vision of the Menorah in the *Haftarah* serves as the special link to Chanukah.

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**Hebrew Reading Class** — Mondays at 11:00 am November 5—December 17

A seven-week beginning Hebrew Reading course taught by Reb. Noam Horowitz. To join the next Hebrew Reading Class in Winter 2019 contact Programs@bmh-bj.org or call the office.

**Conversational Hebrew Class** — Wednesdays at 7:00 pm with *Roberta Feinsmith*. *Open to all levels*.

## **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
- ► Verse by Verse through the Torah

Wednesdays at 7:30 am - Rabbi Chaitovsky

- ► Women's Parasha Shiur Thursdays at 11:00 am
- Ellyn Hutt
- ► 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 (will recommence in January 2019)

#### Mazal Tov!

to Channa and Alex Schweid on the birth of their son, Zachary Marvin Schweid. Proud grandparent are Shelley and Jerry Rotenberg and Denise and Steve Schweid.

to Gary and Marsha Blum on the birth of a granddaughter, Ruth, last Sunday to their daughter and son-in-law, Alyce Blum-Guerrero and Habib Guerrero. Big brother is Santi.

to Fanny Starr on the publication of a new book "Neverless, We Persisted" 48 Voices of Defiance, Strength, and Courage — which includes her personal story of surviving the Holocaust.

**Birthdays** Daniel Wiener, Sanford Metzel, Maya Rachel Friedman, Julie Rosen, Marc Geller, Lili Weiner, Esther Chana Bat Moshe Simcha, Debbie Weiner, David Drucker, Robert Friedman, Linda R. Greene, Kellie Goldberg, Sura Veta, Corinne Brown, Samuel Miller, Hilary Frank, William Lipsitz, James Lustig, Feyga Katsenelson, Bill Lipsitz, Barbara Burry, Sandra Schiff, Benjamin Miller

**Anniversaries** Steven & Shirley Radetsky (42) Theodore & Sandra Pomeranz (60)

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, Beverly Marcove, Jerry Marcus (Hillel David Chaim ben Miryam), Aileen Marcus (Amalia Ester bat Chana), Mark Millenson, Toby Mower, John Peterson, Sam Platner, Lionel Richman, Elaine Rosen (Ethel Brindel bas Chava Shaindel Brocha), Harriet Saliman, Lilian Schaeffer, Beth Rosen (Shifra bat Ethel Brindel), David Weinstein, Terry Wolf

#### **Yahrzeits**

<u>Shabbat, December 8, 2018 / 30 Kislev 5779</u> Morris Binstock, Ruth Ray Cohen, Jacob David Devine, Rose Frieda Glassman, Sylvia Greenberg, Bessie Greenberg, Minna Jacobs, Doris M. Karsh, Pesya Kopelevich, Jack Kushner, Max Lutz, Natalie Moses, Sara Belle Pepper, Zalman Rubinchik, Helen Wildfeuer

Sunday, December 9, 2018 / 1 Tevet 5779 Valeriy Aylyarov, Richard Bluestein, Maurice Duman, Dan Garner, Charles Glass, David Gochman, Rose Goldberg, Goldie Goldberg, Mary Goldberg, Albert Greenberg, Anne E. Greenblatt, Leah Bat Yitzchak HaKohane, Betty Itkin, Evalyn Rose Kalish, Phillip S. Kauvar, Ben Krim, Edith Krivitzkin, Shayna Avery Lazarus, Bess Rogell Lazere, Nathan Levitt, Towia Liberman, Hyman Litvak, Andrew Lowinger, Abraham Melnick, Dorothy Oppenheimer, Sara Robbins, Sam Rosen, Zoya Rubinchik, Jake Sarobnick, Sam Schmerman, Marvin Slatkin, Irene Miller Stein, Sam Swengel, Abe Weiner

Monday, December 10, 2018 / 2 Tevet 5779 Devorah Bolshoun, Lucie Cohen, Samuel Fisher, Frances S. Glickman, Seymour Gumbiner, Rose Jacobstein, Genia Kavalerchik, Yitzchak Julius Kimel, Annette Korn, Boris Lerman, Irwin Levine, Naoum I. Paley, Lawrence Rosenberg, Abraham Rothberg, Kenneth Schoninger, Herbert Weinfeld Tuesday, December 11, 2018 / 3 Tevet 5779 Rose Belleli, Morris Bernstein, Froma Charles, Theodore Epstein, Jacob Feder, Sarah Goldstein, Ida Goralnik, Keri Hale, Henry L. Hendler, Sonia Hora, Joseph Jackson, Bessie Kantrowitz, Shirley Kasztl, Ethel Katz, Joel Scott Kline, Rosa Leah Lehrman, Rabbi Jerome Lipsitz, Sarah Littman, Gertrude Marcove, Lena Mintz, Zalman Pollak, David Primock, Morris Rifkin, Lena Robinson, Mary Rosenthal, Dora Schneiderman, Eileen Sclarow, Eli Tawil, Deborah Wine-Kramer

Wednesday, December 12, 2018 / 4 Tevet 5779 Gloria Abrams, Rose Altberger, Rabbi Abram M Brener, Rebecca Chutkow, Walter Felsenburg, Lorraine Gardenswartz, Morris Ginsberg, Mary Goldman, Sam Greenstein, Marvin J. Kippur, Elsa Klaiman, Jennie Krasner, Harold Lustig, Joseph Mandel, Nathan Mendelsberg, Thersea Millenson, Goldie G. Rabinowitz, Elaine F. Rothenberg, Rose Schatz, Robert Schiff, Morris Schwartz, Anne N. Wittow, Isaac Wolf Thursday, December 13, 2018 / 5 Tevet 5779 Meyer Averch, John Gawerc, Hyman Gerskovitz, Mary Goldman, Lily Halpern, Emil Hecht, Louis Hellerstein, Sam Horwitz, Bertha Jacobs, Lev Katsnelson, Jean Z. Kolinsky, Heinz Kotlarczyk, Jacob Lewin, Gerald Merenstein, Sophie Miller, Mona Milzer, Libbie Steinberg, Arthur M. Wald, Belle Weinberg, Diana G. Weinstock, David Zahn

<u>Friday, December 14, 2018 / 6 Tevet 5779</u> Malcolm Albert, 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, Donald F. Kaatz, Vera Kessler, Lester Leight, Irving Lesser, Rose Litvak, David Jacob Pailet, Frank Quicksilver, Bessie Rabinowitz, Carl Richman, Abraham Rubin, Esther Seligson, Sarah Stern - Fox, Thelma Zeppelin

## "Tell Me More..."

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### Tuesdays, Dec 11 and 18 Read All About It - The Books of Judaism

Give Me Five. The World's Best Seller. Heroes and Heroines. Stories with a Message. Not a Non-Prophet Organization. Too Sexy for the Bible. Oral Hygiene. Don't Write it Down. The Mission of the Mishna. Ping Pong and the Gemara. 2 Rabbis 12 Questions. The Rest is Commentary. Monsters in the Closet. Can You Keep a Secret? Strong Hands and Prepared Tables. Deed and Creed.

#### Chanukah with the Colorado Hebrew Chorale—December 16

The Colorado Hebrew Chorale is holding multiple concerts open to the public in December. For more information contact Carol Kozak Ward at info@coloradohebrewchorale.org or (303) 355-0232.

**Senior Chavurah Jazz Trio**—Thursday, December 13 at 1:00 in the Gallery

A jazz trio will visit our December Senior Chavurah. In keeping with the long tradition of jazz piano trios, the band will perform standards from the American Songbook and beyond.

Chesed Group Meeting —Tuesday, December 18 at 7:15 pm 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 Cash at 303-926-6953 or karencashdouglass@gmail.com

**Jewbille Bash** — Monday, December 24 at 9:00 pm at Club Vinal

Come dance the night away with Jewish young adults from across the Denver community. Buy tickets at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/jewbilee-bash-denver-tickets-52246492666

Christmas Mitzvah Project—December 25 various times and locations

The Christmas Mitzvah Project has been a tradition in the local Jewish community for over 20 years. Volunteers will prepare meals, feed animals, visit patients, facilitate activities, and staff gift shops at local non-profits. Register at https://www.classy.org/event/christmas-mitzvah-project-2018/e210186

Combined Shabbat Service—December 29 in the Chapel

For the final Shabbat of year, services will be joined together in Shari Simcha due to maintenance in the Sanctuary that week.

