



Parashat Behar-Bechukotai, Shabbat Mevarchim

May 12 - 18, 2018 — 27 Iyar - 4 Sivan 5778

Blue and White Shabbat

Pesukei d'Zimrah — Sam Plattner, Torah reading — pg 696, Baal Koreh — Josh Flaum

Haftarah — Jeremiah 16:19—17:14 pg 1179 — Dick Miller

Welcome to our Scholar-in-Residence, Rabbi Francis Nataf

“Would Ruth’s Conversion Be Accepted Today?” 11:30 in the Sanctuary

Rabbi Yaakov Chaitovsky

Cantor Joel Lichterman

Ilene Rosen—Executive Director

Jeff Kline—President



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.

Service Times

Saturday— May 12 (Omer 42)

Daf Yomi 8:00 am

Shacharit, Sanctuary 9:00 am

Shacharit, Chapel 9:15 am

Taste of Torah 10:00 am

Mincha, Chapel 7:40 pm

Havdalah 8:46 pm

Sunday— May 13 (Omer 43)

Yom Yerushalayim

Daf Yomi 7:30 am

Shacharit, Chapel 8:30 am

Mincha/Maariv 6:35 pm

Monday— May 14 (Omer 44)

Daf Yomi 5:30 am

Shacharit, Chapel 6:30 am

Mincha/Maariv 6:35 pm

Sefer HaChinuch 8:00 pm

Tuesday— May 15 (Omer 45)

Rosh Chodesh Sivan

Daf Yomi 5:45 am

Shacharit, Chapel 6:30 am

Mincha/Maariv 6:35 pm

Wednesday— May 16 (Omer 46)

Daf Yomi 5:45 am

Shacharit, Chapel 6:45 am

Cantor’s Torah Class 7:30 am

Wednesday Wisdom 10:00 am

Mincha/Maariv 6:35 pm

Thursday— May 17 (Omer 47)

Daf Yomi 5:30 am

Shacharit, Chapel 6:30 am

Ellyn Hutt’s Class 11:00 am

Mincha/Maariv 6:35 pm

Wednesday Wisdom 7:30 pm

Friday— May 18 (Omer 48)

Daf Yomi 5:45 am

Shacharit, Chapel 6:45 am

Mincha 6:35 pm

Candle Lighting 7:50 pm

שבת שלום ומבורך!

Parshah Summary

Behar deals with a remarkable relationship between man and the earth. The earth is considered on loan to man who is only given the privilege of using it. The *Sidrah* communicates the laws of the Sabbatical year: every seventh year, all work on the land should cease, and its produce becomes free for the taking for all, man and beast. Seven Sabbatical cycles are followed by a fiftieth year—the Jubilee year, on which work on the land ceases, all indentured servants are set free, and all ancestral estates in the Holy Land that have been sold revert to their original owners. This is Judaism’s way of preventing permanent poverty among the people. Additional laws governing the sale of lands, prohibitions against fraud and usury, and lending of money without requiring interest payments are also given. Again the Torah is trying to alleviate poverty.

In Bechukotai, G-d promises that if the people of Israel will keep His commandments, they will enjoy material prosperity and dwell secure in their homeland. But He also delivers a harsh “rebuke,” warning of the exile, persecution and other evils that will befall them if they abandon their covenant with Him. Nevertheless, “Even when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away; nor will I ever abhor them, to destroy them and to break My covenant with them; for I am the L-rd their G-d.” The *Parshah* concludes with the rules on how to calculate the values of different types of pledges made to G-d.

Haftarah Summary

In the *Haftarah*, the Prophet Jeremiah reaffirms the basic theme of the *Sidrah*—reward and punishment. Jeremiah, whose prophetic activity covered forty years (626-586 B.C.E.) observed and was troubled by the wrongdoings of his fellow Judeans. He warned them repeatedly of the doom ahead in a variety of powerful messages. But the Judeans remained deaf to Jeremiah’s pleas. For their stubbornness they were punished through their conquest by Babylonia under Nebuchadnezzar. But the Prophet holds out to Israel hope for future redemption. They must keep their faith in God for with Him is their true hope.

Happening @ BMH-BJ, Upcoming Events

Torah Mitziyon Scholar-in-Residence, Rabbi Francis Nataf –Saturday, May 12 at 6:45 pm, prior to Mincha
“The Nation, The Tribe, and I – Individuality and Community in the Book of Numbers.”

Shabbat Derech Eretz & Girl Scout Shabbat – Saturday, May 19

BMH-BJ hosts the Denver Jewish Community Girl Scout Troop for the 7th year! Started in 2011, the girls come from as far away as Arvada and Cherry Creek and represent the breadth of the Jewish community, including three Jewish day schools, public schools, and secular private schools.

Shavuot —sundown May 19 through sundown May 21, 2018

Shavuot Without Borders

A Unique Tikkun Leil Shavuot Experience

Saturday, May 19 at BMH-BJ

All-Night Learning Presented by BMH-BJ, Rodef Shalom & Moishe House.

Begins during Seudah Shlishit exploring the Theme *“Derech Eretz Kadma L’Torah”*
with Rabbi Bernard Gerson, Rabbi Marc Gitler & Rabbi Yaakov Chaitovsky.

Young Professional program featuring Kosher Wine Tasting & Torah Yoga

Youth program with Ben Sanders

Followed by an After Hours Torah Hop in the Winston Downs Neighborhood

& a Sunrise Shacharit Service at 9:15am

RSVP at bmh-bj.org/shavuot

Birthdays Melvin Engbar, Myrna Engbar, Barbara Engel, Nahum Katsenelson, Jack Kimel, Zachary Madison, Jack Metzler, Barbara Oxman, Rebecca Ramo-Cofino, Max Raphaely, Lisa Ruda, Steven Shoflick, Tina (Fortunee) Smith, Marcia Snyder, Eileen Spector, Sheldon Spector, Steven Zapiler

Anniversaries Larry & Susan Siegel (36)

Refuah Sheleima/Speedy Recovery Joe Bean, Sara Behmoaras, Daniel Alexander Edwards, Fay Finkelstein, Gabriella Sara bat Yael, Linda Fox, Elaine Greenberg, Francine (Feige Esther bat Ita Liba) Greenberg, Crystal Hickman, Robert Hochstadt, Leland Huttner, Doniel Kaye, Jerry (Hillel David Chaim ben Miryam) Marcus, Aileen Marcus (Amalia Ester bat Chana), Toby Mower, John Peterson, Lilian Schaeffer, Jeff Warren (Yaakov ben Freidel), David Weinstein, Bud Wittlin (Boruch Yaakov ben Sara), Yael bat Yaakova

Yahrzeits

Shabbat, May 12, 2018 / 27 Iyar 5778 Israel Leib Beker, Sylvia Belstock, Louis Bornstein, Lillian Cooper, Edward Allan Duman, Oscar Edelstein, Abe Eisenfeld, Eli H. Fields, Dora Ginsberg, Rose Jultak, Martin Katz, Helen B. Levy, Lucille Levy, Adi Lissauer, Edwin Olshansky, Abraham Prottas, Paul Morton Saliman, Moses M. Schechter, Harry Spector, Rose Wertheimer, Shirley Zinn, Lionel Zinn

Sunday, May 13, 2018 / 28 Iyar 5778 Jacob Baram, James I. Dreesen, Gertrude Eisen, Eileen Ettelman, Eva Gross, Jeannette Battock Horowitz, Libbie Lewinkind, Irving Liverant, Anna Molién, Virginia Nathan, Ira Lev Plotkin, Philip Soloway, Jesse Sugarman, Joseph Tawil, David Teplitz, Israel Zeligman

Monday, May 14, 2018 / 29 Iyar 5778 Maurice Arent, Anna Cohen, Pauline Epstein, William Greenberg, Samuel Greenberg, Martha Helstien, Nat Idleberg, Selma Kahn, Morris Korklin, Bette L. Landie, Hermina M. Levett, Harry Levy, Reuben Miller, Bessie Wittow Morris, Sara G. Reingold, Phillip S. Rollnick, Lina Frank Selig, Hansel Shapiro, Fanny B. Stone, Rose Susman, Philip Trilling, Rose Widom, Bertha Wine, Fannie Yellin

Tuesday, May 15, 2018 / 1 Sivan 5778 Roberta Mae Averch, Jacob Boscowitz, Max J. Boxer, Annie F. Dick, Sandra Fistell, Shirley Ginsberg, Ernestine Sydney Glick, Lipa Gringauz, Harold Kal, Joseph Kaplan, Dorothy Keller, Stella Klein, Harry Kronsberg, Esther Levy, Sam M. Pepper, Harold Radetsky, Hyman Silverberg, Abraham Smith, William Snyder, Cecelia Tolin, Thelma "Tee" Zelinger

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 / 2 Sivan 5778 Marian Ansel, Albert Bobrick, Marilyn Cersonsky, Lucille Deutsch, Florence Goldberg, Maurice Goldman, Jack Hartman, Joe Heller, Fannie Jacobs, Frieda Laufer, Louis Maslin, Sarah Molk, Sarah Novicoff, Irving I. Oxman, Leo Schatz, Jacob Sieglbaum, Werner Story, Herman Suckerman

Thursday, May 17, 2018 / 3 Sivan 5778 Edward Carr, Anna Cohen, Dovid Ellyah, Abraham Freis, Joseph Goldwasser, Abram Gottlieb, Joe Gross, Victor Holz, Eva Jolton, Abraham Kraut, Ida Lassow, Edward Levinson, Marvin Messel, Renee Moldauer, Albert Morris, Lina Nathenson, Anna Pollocoff, Idesa Praschker, Aaron Ben Pretsky, Aaron Baer Recht, Joseph Rosenthal, Esther Shapiro, David Silver, Sylvia Appleman Singer, Alexander Slutsky, Malke Walkovitz, Michael Weinberg, John Wilter

Friday, May 18, 2018 / 4 Sivan 5778 Abraham Belinsky, Richard Bloom, Pearl Brodsky, Norma Chappell, Joseph L. Cohen, Oscar Cohen, Ida Celia Davis, Ben Eisen, Ro-Myrna Emeson, Freda Greenberg, Edward Greenberg, Esther Hollander, Eunice Katz, Joe Kimel, Joe Kline, Faye Komisarow, Gussie Kraft, Harry Lapatin, Charles Lonstein, Natalie Sue Miller, Jacob Rusman, Bertha Schafer, Regina Schaffer, Hershel Jacob Schaffer, Meyer Sherman, Ruth Stone, Jacob Susman, Eugene Svarc, Anna Weiss, Linda Wittlin

Hashavat Aveida—returning lost items

The Sanctuary coat room was full of women's shoes and boots—if you believe you lost your shoes, please contact Rachael at 303-951-8132. Uncollected footwear will be donated after Shavuot.

See back side of handout for more information about weekly Torah study opportunities, the Gift Shop, Rabbi Chai's Wednesday Wisdom Series, and this month's 4th Friday Dinner for young families.

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 Vayikrah** Wednesdays at 7:30 am
- Cantor Lichterman
- ▶ **Women's Parasha Shiur** Thursdays at 11:00 am
- Ellyn Hutt
- ▶ **Taste of Torah** Shabbat at 10:00 am
- Essie Fleischmann
- ▶ **Ten Minutes of Text** Shabbat at Seudah Shelishit
- Rabbi Chaitovsky

BMH-BJ
Women's League
Gift Shop

1 DAY SALE

50% off
items in the Library
Sunday, June 10th
9:30 am - 2:00 pm

Hours: Monday - Thursday 10 am - 4 pm
Friday 10 am - 1 pm
Sunday 9:30 am - 1 pm
303.951.8238

Closed: May 13th - Mother's Day
May 20th & 21st - Shavuot
May 27th & 28th - Memorial Day

We stock gift items for every occasion!

Kol Nashim, the women's choir of the Colorado Hebrew Chorale
Presents

Woman to Woman 2018: Concerts Benefiting The Jerusalem Shelter for Battered Women

Sunday, May 13, 2018, at 11 am
Congregation B'nai Chaim

4716 South Coors Lane, Morrison

With the Sunday School singers of Congregation B'nai Chaim

Wednesday, May 23, 2018, at 7 pm
BMH-BJ Congregation

560 South Monaco Pkwy, Denver

\$18 suggested minimum donation

RSVP and more info:

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Leah Peer at 904.521.7061



Wednesday Wisdom

Trends in Modern Orthodoxy

Wednesdays mornings in the Gallery at 10:00am
Last two evening classes on Thursdays at 7:30pm

Two classes remaining:

The "M" word – Demystifying Mechtzah

We've Never Done it this Way – a Tentative Look at our Future

Please RSVP online and enter your email address if you would like to receive class materials. Classes are free of charge.

www.bmh-bj.org/learn/wednesday-wisdom

Exhibition - Deadly Medicine: Creating the Master Race —daily through May 22

"How Healers Became Killers" at CU Anschutz Campus in Aurora, Fulginiti Pavillion for Bioethics and Humanities in the Gossard Forum on the ground floor. Free event, no RSVP necessary.

4th Friday Dinner & Program —Friday, May 25 • Dinner at 5:00 pm, Services at 6:40 pm

This month's dinner is for Young Families.

Online registration, \$25 adult. \$15 child.

For more information contact Yoni at 303-951-8237.