

BMHBJ

Parashat Balak

June 30 - July 6, 2018 — 17– 24 Tammuz 5778

Torah reading — pg 856, Baal Koreh — Jerry Rotenberg

Shabbat Haftarah — Milcah 5:6—6:8 pg 1189 — Rabbi Chaitovsky

D'var Torah by Rabbi Chaitovsky “WYSIWYG – Bilam, Balak, and Poland”

The Genius of the Rabbis / Pirkei Avot with Rabbi Chai in the Sanctuary following Kiddush

Service Times

Rabbi Yaakov Chaitovsky
Cantor Joel Lichterman

Ilene Rosen—Executive Director
Jeff Kline—President

Saturday— June 30

Daf Yomi 8:00 am
Shacharit, Sanctuary 9:00 am
Shacharit, Chapel 9:15 am
Taste of Torah 10:00 am
Mincha, Chapel 8:10 pm
Havdalah 9:14 pm

Sunday— July 1

Fast of 17th of Tammuz

Fast Times 3:44am - 9:04pm
Daf Yomi 7:30 am
Shacharit, Chapel 8:30 am
Mincha/Maariv 8:15 pm

Monday— July 2

Daf Yomi 5:30 am
Shacharit, Chapel 6:30 am
Mincha/Maariv 6:45 pm
Sefer HaChinuch 8:00 pm

Tuesday— July 3

Daf Yomi 5:45 am
Shacharit, Chapel 6:45 am
Cantor's Torah Class 7:30 am
Mincha/Maariv 6:45 pm

Wednesday— July 4 -offices closed

US Independence Day

Daf Yomi 7:30 am
Shacharit, Chapel 8:30 am
Mincha/Maariv 6:45 pm

Thursday— July 5

Daf Yomi 5:30 am
Shacharit, Chapel 6:30 am
Ellyn Hutt's Class 11:00 am
Mincha/Maariv 6:45 pm

Friday— July 6

Daf Yomi 5:45 am
Shacharit, Chapel 6:45 am
Mincha 6:45 pm
Candle Lighting 8:01 pm
שבת שלום ומבורך!

Thank you to Cantor Joel Lichterman for all your outstanding and dedicated work at BMH-BJ and to the Jewish community over the years. You have done a wonderful job making such an impact on our communal lives. As Cantor Emeritus we are happy that you will remain active with the congregation.

There will be a event held to celebrate Cantor Lichterman on Tuesday, August 7, 2018.

Please join us for Kiddush in the Social Hall sponsored by Max & Jeannette Furer in honor of the Yahrzeits of Max's parents, Leib and Ita Furer.

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.

Fast of 17 Tammuz

The fast of the 17th of the Hebrew month of Tamuz, known as Shivah Asar B'Tamuz, is the start of a three-week mourning period for the destruction of Jerusalem and the two Holy Temples.

The fast actually commemorates five tragic events that occurred on this date:

1. Moses broke the 10 Commandments when he saw the Jewish people worshipping the Golden Calf.
2. During the Babylonian siege of Jerusalem, the Jews were forced to cease offering the daily sacrifices due to the lack of sheep.
3. Apostomos whose real identity is unclear burned the Torah.
4. An idol was placed in the Holy Temple.
5. The walls of Jerusalem were breached by the Romans, in 69 CE, after a lengthy siege. (Three weeks later, after the Jews put up a valiant struggle, the Romans destroyed the second Temple on the 9th of Av.) The Jerusalem Talmud maintains that this is also the date when the Babylonians breached the walls of Jerusalem on their way to destroying the first Temple.

Practically speaking:

- Healthy adults—bar- or bat-mitzvah age and older—abstain from eating or drinking between dawn and nightfall.
- Pregnant and nursing women are not required to fast. Someone who is ill should consult with a rabbi.
- It is permitted to wake up early before the fast begins and eat.
- During the morning prayers we recite *selichot* (penitential prayers), and “Avinu Malkeinu.”
- The Torah is read during the morning and afternoon prayers. The reading at both services is - Exodus 32:11–14 and 34:1–10, which discusses the aftermath of the Golden Calf incident. After the afternoon Torah reading, the special fast day *haftarah*, Isaiah 55:6–56:8, is read.

Abstaining from food and drink is the external element of a fast day. On a deeper level, a fast day is an auspicious time, a day when G-d is accessible, waiting for us to repent.

Parashah Summary

In the *Sidrah*, Balak, the king of Moab, summons the prophet Balaam to curse the people of Israel. On the way, Balaam is berated by his donkey, who sees, before Balaam does, the angel that God sends to block their way. Three times, from three different vantage points, Balaam attempts to pronounce his curses; each time, blessings issue forth instead. Balaam also prophesizes on the end of the days and the coming of the Messiah.



Daily/Weekly Torah Learning

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| ► Daf-Yomi one hour before Shacharit
- Rabbi Fleischmann | ► Women's Parasha Shiur Thursdays at 11:00 am
- Ellyn Hutt |
| ► Law, Legend & Lore daily after Mincha
- Rabbi Chaitovsky | ► Taste of Torah Shabbat at 10:00 am
- Essie Fleischmann |
| ► Sefer HaChinuch Mondays at 8:00 pm
- Rabbi Stern | ► Pirkei Avot Shabbat following Kiddush
- Rabbi Chaitovsky |
| ► Sefer Vayikrah Wednesdays at 7:30 am
- Cantor Lichterman **3rd not 4th July** | ► Ten Minutes of Text Shabbat at Seudah Shelishit
- Rabbi Chaitovsky |

Birthdays Elizabeth Brittan, Risa Buckstein, Phoenix Harris, Myrna Hayutin, Leland Huttner, Jeff Kline, Jeffrey Kraus, Devin Kregarman, Marian Miklin, Valerie Miller, Ozzie Preiss, Michele Right, Harold Rosen, Jerry Rotenberg, Ronald Saliman, Theodore Schomay, Arye Schwartz, Lee Siegel, Ellen Spilka, Randall Weiner

Anniversaries

Marc & Rachel Geller (12)	Michael & Karen Shapiro (51)	
Michael & Lori Weiner (12)	Greg & Jennifer Jackson (7)	Floyd & Edythe Sunshine (58)
Melinda Jultak-Cummings & Cory Cummings (2)	David & Carrie Axelrod (48)	Brad & Sara Nieder (14)
Bruce & Esther Flossic (53)	Jaques & Lisa Ruda (37)	David & Nancy Kaufman (32)

Refuah Sheleima/Speedy Recovery Sara bat Tova, Sara Behmoaras, Sherman Burry, Deborah Dunn (Devorah Leah bat Ita Liba), Linda Fox, Elaine Greenberg, Crystal Hickman, Doniel Kaye, Gary Marcove, Howard Marcove, Jerry Marcus (Hillel David Chaim ben Miryam), Aileen Marcus (Amalia Ester bat Chana), Mark Millenson, Toby Mower, John Peterson, Ron Saliman, Lilian Schaeffer, Joseph Silver, Ann Story, Jeff Warren (Yaakov ben Freidel), David Weinstein, Terry Wolf, Susan Zalkin (Batsheva bat Esther), Charles Zwerdinger

Yahrzeits

Shabbat, June 30, 2018 / 17 Tammuz 5778 Rozalia Babad, Benjamin Bernstein, Bernice Engleberg, Casey Frankel, Gersh Golyansky, Esther Greene, Abraham Greinetz, Anna Merle Kessler, Morris Lapin, Stanley Marcove, Gedalia Nikolayevsky, Masaoud Joseph Perez, Harry Rachofsky, Sam Rosenthal, Ida Segall, Jack Shaffer, Akhtar Simantob, Robert H. Versman, Lillian Wolack

Sunday, July 1, 2018 / 18 Tammuz 5778 Ida (Idella) Albert, Chava Devora Altmejd, Rosalie Richman Bijou, James Bronstine, Willie Cohan, Ida Cohen, Freyda Corwin, Benjamin Finegold, Seymour Fink, Alan Freis, Toby Fried, Vera Glazer, Ida Goodstein, Carole Heyman, Yehuda Hochstadt, Shmuel Hutnik, Emiliya Kershteyn, Rosa Lerman, Mary Moses, Joseph N. Peterman, Edythe M. Rubin, Max Selig, Harriet Suson, Zelman Vexland, Philip Weiner, Hyman Wolkow, Jacob Yoches

Monday, July 2, 2018 / 19 Tammuz 5778 Ida Breslaw, Lee Butler, Michael Davidson, Morey Epstein, Beverly Friedentag, Pauline Galansky, Benjamin Golinsky, Marcus Goodman, Irwin Hayutin, Fannie Hoffman, Gerson Kaplan, Livche Syrel Laderman, Max Landman, Rose Markovitz, Jack Morris, Ralph Nordhauser, Helga Pellegrino, Ida Reiff, Arnold Siegel, Irving Sneider, Morris Sperling, Fannie Steinberg, Zina Symonton

Tuesday, July 3, 2018 / 20 Tammuz 5778 Elizabeth Auslander, Myrna Feld, Rose Litman, Alan S. Miller, Lotte Neuberger, David Siegal, Hyman Singer, Rose Stein

Wednesday, July 4 27, 2018 / 21 Tammuz 5778 Fan Abrams, Marvin V. Cook, Sophie Shaiman Drellich, Morris Finkelberg, Richard Fricklas, Florence Keller Goldberg, Ezzy Greenberg, Grete Herlinger, Sarah Kahn, Eva Lassow, Alfred Lazarus, Rose B. Leight, Ida Mintz, Ben Molof, Arthur Olsen, Bruno Sass, Deborah Schermerhorn, Esther Schreiber, Andy Siegal, Betty H. Slosky, Anna Weiner, Charles Wexall

Thursday, July 5, 2018 / 22 Tammuz 5778 Samuel Berger, Evelyn Brustein, Saul Disler, Jacob Hillel Ettinger, Claire Felsenburg, Ruth M. Hahn, Sidney R. Hahn, Meyer Hatch, Howard Katchen, Harry Harvey Lehrer, Daphne Molk, Louis Orlovsky, Helen Kierszenzweig Perez, Rakhim Pinkhasov, Phillip Ratner, David Rivkin, Rose Rosenbaum, Johanna Rothman, Benjamin Shapiro, Isaac Silverberg, David Snyder, Adele Sollender, Haia Soltanovich

Friday, July 6, 2018 / 23 Tammuz 5778 Celia Cohen, Bertha Friednash, Sam Goldstein, Ben Hirsh, Elsa Jacobson, Herman Kahn, Mikhael Kigelman, Bette Landman, Leonard I. Levett, Anna Lea Morein, Tatyana Noskova, Jack Rothenberg, Rose Silverberg, Alan Silverman, Nathan Slavsky, Fae Tollman, Murray Weinstock, Michael Wildfeuer, Yitzok Zendlowicz, Al Zinn

BMH-BJ and Jerusalem U invite you to a special
Denver Screening of the *Jerusalem U* film



See the film that's been screened at over 120 film festivals around the world!

Monday, July 23, 2018

7:15 PM in Fisher Hall

560 S Monaco Pkwy, Denver, CO

Screening followed by a Q&A with Executive

Producer Raphael Shore and a hummus reception

Tickets: \$10 adult, \$5 child

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Hummus! The Movie Secret recipes, a Guinness World Record and the power of Hummus to bring Muslims, Christians and Jews together... in the Middle East, America and around the world.

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

What You Need to Know When Facing A Long Term Healthcare Crisis



So many things can go through your mind when thinking about a healthcare crisis: How will I pay for care? What are the best choices for my family? I don't want to lose my life savings or my home. I want to leave something for my family.

Together Teri Crocker, a care navigator, and Mike Homier, an elder law attorney, will guide you through these important topics to possible solutions.

Thursday, July 19 - 1:00 pm at BMH-BJ

RSVP: Rebecca, 720.382.7848 or
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The Rocky Mountain Rabbinical Council
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**An evening with
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July 11, 2018 - 7:00pm

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**A 30,000 ft. view of the Dead Sea Scrolls - Anthropology,
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Light refreshments will be provided

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Tisha B'Av Film

INHERITANCE

Film presentation and discussion led by Rabbi Chaitovsky
Sunday July 22 at 5:15 pm in the Gallery



Inheritance is the story of Monika Hertwig, the daughter of mass murderer Amon Goeth. Hertwig has spent her life in the shadow of her father's sins, trying to come to terms with her "inheritance." She seeks out Helen Jonas, who was enslaved by Goeth and who is one of the few living eyewitnesses to his unspeakable brutality.