

שבת שלום

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Parashat Pinchas/Shabbat Mevarchim

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Shabbat Shalom

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Service Times

- * Monday-Friday: 8:00AM
- * Friday Shabbat Evening: 6:30PM
- * Shabbat Morning: 9:30AM
- * Sunday Morning services can be scheduled by request.
Please speak to Rabbi Paskind at least a week in advance.
- * Major Secular Holidays: 9:00AM

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WEEKLY TORAH

Parashat Pinchas elaborates on the incident at the end of *Parashat Balak*: Pinchas, son of Eleazar, kills Zimri son of Salu and Cozbi daughter of Zur, a Midianite, who have entered a tent to have sex. Pincha's zealotness saves the Israelites from a plague. God rewards him with a covenant of peace and his descendants with the office of the priesthood for all time. Moses tells the people to crush the Midianites for their "trickery" in seducing the Israelites into idolatry and whoring with their women. After the plague, Moses and Aaron take a census of the entire Israelite community. The total number of Israelites is 601,730. Moses also announces the division of the land, providing larger tribes with greater holdings and smaller tribes with lesser ones. Each person is assigned a lot of equal size, except for the Levites who are not given land but are compensated monetarily for their work in the sanctuary. During the taking of the census the case of the daughters of Zelophehad – Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah – arises. They claim that, because their father has died and left no sons, they should have the right to inherit his holdings. God confirms their claim and instructs Moses to announce that, if a man dies without leaving a son, a daughter will inherit his property. Moses is told to climb to the top of Mount Abarim to see the Land of Israel, and he is informed that he will die there. When Moses requests that his successor be chosen, God tells Moses to appoint Joshua. Moses is to instruct Joshua to present himself to Eleazar the priest, who will consult the Urim for important decisions and instructions regarding the community. The *parashah* concludes with a description of the offerings to be presented daily, on the Sabbath, on new moons, for Pesach, Shavuot, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and for each of the days of Sukot, including the eighth day, or Shemini Atzeret.

From: A Torah Commentary for Our Times by Harvey J. Fields

THE WEEK AHEAD

Friday, July 29, 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 7:54pm Candle Lighting

Saturday, July 30, 9:30am Shabbat Service

Wednesday, Aug 3, 9:30am Watermelon Wednesday

Friday, Aug 5, 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 7:47pm Candle Lighting

Saturday, Aug 6, 9:30am Shabbat Service

Guest D'Var Torah

Saturday, July 30, Larry Ginsberg

Join us for morning minyan Monday-Friday at 8:00am, unless posted

BIMAH OFFICERS AND SHABBAT GREETERS

Shabbat Morning Bimah Officer, 7/30 – Dina Fleischmann

Shabbat Morning Greeters, 7/30 – Harry Morgenthaler

Shabbat Morning Bimah Officer, 8/6 – Esther Lester

Shabbat Morning Greeters, 8/6 – Bob Neumann

COMING SOON!

EVERY Wednesday in August – WATERMELON WEDNESDAY!

9:30am – 10:00am, beginning 8/3 - Open to anyone with kids age 5 & under. Music & watermelon with Morah Amy and Rabbi Paskind.



AUGUST EVENTS

SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR MORE DETAILS



NRV Trail HIKE, Sunday 8/7 at 2:00pm

Meet at the park n' ride at the intersection of Wolfpit Rd & Danbury Rd in Wilton, just past Orem's Diner. Free/open to members and the Jewish community. RSVP to the Office by August 4.

JCC MACCABI GAMES, August 7-12

A creative arts experience for Jewish teens ages 13- 17.

Host Families and Volunteers are needed! Call Rachel

Rothman, 203.487.0949 or Sheri Jacobson, 203.918.7010 for details.



Tisha B'Av

The 9th of Av is the fast day that commemorates the destruction of the 1st and 2nd Temples. It has also become a day of general mourning for other Jewish disasters including the Spanish expulsion and the mass deportation of Jews from the Warsaw Ghetto. As we read the Eicha (The Book of Lamentations), it forces us to consider disasters in our own times.

Both services take place at TCS in Westport with TCS and Beth El Stamford

8/13, 9:00PM – Ma'ariv with Eicha

8/14, 8:45am – Schacharit with Eicha (no tallit or tefillin)

Interfaith Community and Independence Day

8/14, 6:00pm - Community Interfaith Independence Day, St. Phillips Church



CRAFT & BBQ FAIR

August 28, 11:00am – 5:00pm

Congregation Beth El - Fairfield

LET'S GO AS A GROUP!!

RSVP to the Office by Friday, August 26th.

Monday, Aug 29 – Dining for Dollars at Bertucci's in Darien

Coupons are needed and can be redeemed all day. Nitzan families please come between 4:00pm-6:00pm. There will be vegetarian options. Please pick up your coupons in the Office, from Morah Amy in the Nitzan Office or print them off the website.



SOUP KITCHEN

August 11, 10:30am – Soup Kitchen volunteers needed to prep and/or set-up at the Open Door Shelter (Norwalk). Please contact Stephanie Gordon for info.

NITZAN NURSERY SCHOOL

Do you like kids?

Please join our sub list! The hours would be 9-12. No experience necessary - there will always be a teacher in the room. Please contact Amy SantaLucia for details.



Thank you to those who donated boxtops, please keep them coming!

FUNDRAISING WHILE YOU SHOP – One Week ONLY!

Wow, it's hard to believe summer is halfway over already!

Don't get caught by surprise - starting **Tuesday, July 26** –

Monday, August 1, order gift cards for your back-to-school shopping by emailing or calling Brandy with your order and/or a list of participating stores. CBE will receive additional bonus

percentages. Orders will be placed on Tuesday, August 2 and we will let you know when the gift cards will be available for pick up.



JEWISH SENIOR SERVICES



Jewish Senior Services
excellence in our home and yours

Let's Talk Thursdays, 11:00am – Stamford JCC.

Seniors talk about interests & concerns. Contact

Connie Cirillo Freeman, 203.487.0983 or cfreeman@stamfordjcc.org for info.

Please the bulletin board for additional programs offered.

WE ARE ON AmazonSmile!

AmazonSmile, smile.amazon.com, is a simple way for you to support CBE every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop,

Amazon donates a portion of the purchase price to CBE.

Once you sign-up (or login), you just need to choose Congregation Beth El of Norwalk as the charitable organization you wish to support.



SPONSOR A KIDDUSH OR ONEG

Sponsoring a Kiddush just got easier! Celebrate a simcha: a birthday, special event or anniversary. \$180 covers the cost of a regular Shabbat Kiddush. To sponsor the Friday night Oneg, \$36 covers all. Celebrate with the community!

YAHRZEIT PLAQUES

FEEL THE CONNECTION (L'DOR V'DOR)



Yahrzeit/Memorial Plaques - "Feel" your loved ones' presence each time you come to Shul. See their plaques lit up on their Yahrzeits and the High Holidays. Call Ellen Gordon, 203.847.3559 or email the Office for info.

GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop is open 9:30am-12:00pm every Sunday that Navasky is in session. When Navasky's closed for the summer, contact Nancy Oberst or Hilary Shaefitz.

FOOD and GIFT CERTIFICATES

Don't forget to buy your Food and Gift Cards! To order, call the synagogue, 203.838.2710.



HIGH HOLIDAY BULLETIN

Look for the High Holiday Bulletin and Mailing – coming to your inbox and mailbox the week of August 1

