שבת פרשת בהר-בחוקותי כב אייר ה'תש"פ Shabbat Parshat Behar-Bechukotai May 15-16, 2020

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#### SHABBAT SHALOM • שבת שלום

Yom Yerushalayim is on Friday, May 22

Please PRINT this bulletin before Shabbat.

When davening at home, it is preferrable to daven at the same time together as a community.

#### Friday, May 15

4:00pm Musical Kabbalat Shabbat

with Rev. Bender on Facebook

5:00pm Kef Club Kabbalat Shabbat

on Zoom

5:00pm Daf Yomi on Zoom

6:46pm Plag Hamincha

7:30pm Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat

on Zoom

8:01pm Candle Lighting

8:19pm Sh'kiah

#### Shabbat, May 16 / 22 Iyar 5780

Omer Day 37

9:00am Shacharit

9:07am Sof Zman Kriyat Shema

7:55pm Mincha 8:20pm Shkiah 9:13pm Havdala

9:45pm Daf Yomi on Zoom



It is with mixed emotions that we inform the community of the retirement of **Joyce Reinblatt** as Executive Director of TBDJ. Joyce grew up at TBDJ, and her serving as Executive Director was just the latest in a long list of roles, functions and contributions to us all.

We will miss her smiling face and willingness to help in the office, but at the same time are happy that she is looking forward to this next chapter.

A TRIBUTE TO JOYCE WILL FOLLOW PRIOR TO SHAVUOT.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

- Mazal Tov to **Aidan Knafo** on becoming a Bar Mitzvah on Thursday, May 14. Proud parents are **Ilana & Eric Knafo**. Sharing in their simcha are Aidan's siblings Leah and Lev, his grandparents Rosette & Maurice Knafo and Betty & Eli Krief, and many delighted aunts, uncles and cousins.
- Mazal Tov to **Marla & Richard Zipper** on the occasion of their daughter Rachelle Zipper graduating from the Faculty of Medicine at Technion University in Haifa. Rachelle will be doing her residency in Pediatric Medicine at The Children's Hospital at Montefiore in New York.
- Condolences to **Nancy & Jack Ditkofsky** and their family on the loss of Nancy's beloved mother TBDJ Member **Gustawa Blum Mansfeld z"I** who passed away on Tuesday, May 12. Private graveside funeral was held on Wednesday, May 13.
- Condolences to the family of TBDJ Member **Shirley Pogoda Friedman z"I** who passed away on Friday, May 8. Private graveside funeral was held on Sunday, May 10.

#### A MUSICAL THOUGHT FOR SHABBAT BY REV. AMIEL

#### Find a Niggun.....

Gut Shabbos TBDJ Family!

Offering our daily prayers in the "Young Israel" of our living rooms and dens is a new daily routine which is not done by choice. Our synagogues are recognized as a בית מקדש מעט - a mini sanctuary - because our Holy Temple in Yerushalayim has not yet been rebuilt. Our synagogues are the "go to" place for prayer. However, during this medical crisis which is forcing our shuls to be closed, our mini sanctuaries are now in our homes.

It is, in a word, different. The prescribed times calculated by our sages which determine the limits for the recitation of the morning Kriat Shma and Zman Tefilla keep us within the desirable morning prayer discipline. The Mincha/Ma'ariv zoom davening helps us adhere to a tight and organized prayer discipline as well. With one leisurely click of a button our computers and iphones are transformed into virtual gatherings for communal prayer. The pre-prayer banter on zoom is congenial and pleasant. It is something that I look forward to. All you have to do is make sure that your iphone and/or your computer are functioning and that your internet provider is delivering the goods...

Convenient as this mode of davening is, it comes with compromises. We are locked out of the privilege of davening in shul and seeking the level of kedusha - holiness - that is attained through davening in a minyan! We also lack the pleasant sing-song sounds of prayer and the physical company of our co-daveners which are defining factors of our davening in shul. Sounds and songs in prayer create a special aura and serve as a powerful inspiration and catalyst. Individual and collective song in prayer motivates us in our davening and helps us daven with the proper kavana - intent.

Can we create this atmosphere for ourselves in our prayers at home? In ספר חסידים #158, we are urged: חקור לך אחר ניגונים - to look into different niggunim and melodies. It is taught, that when you daven, you should say the words of prayer in the tunes that are sweet and pleasant to you. This will help you daven with intent and let your heart follow your mouth which is uttering requests and prayers.

Davening the daily morning service and especially the Shabbos service, I have taken to singing and chanting our accepted singing parts of tefilla as if I am in shul. I use old and new niggunim, some that I wouldn't dare trying in shul... Still, singing tefilla helps fill the obvious void in our lives and helps to ease the spiritual discomfort of davening at home.

Shabbat Shalom,

Rev. Amiel

#### **DAILY SCHEDULE: MAY 17 - 22**

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY	
	See Email 8:05pm	Daf Yomi Zoom Mincha		Daf Yomi Zoom Mincha	

#### **WEDNESDAY**

#### **THURSDAY**

#### **FRIDAY**

See Email Daf Yomi Daf Yomi Parsha Class Zoom Mincha

See Email 12:15pm Zoom Mincha 8:05pm 8:05pm Semichat Chaver 8:30pm

Daf Yomi See Fmail Zoom Mincha 7:40pm Candle Lighting 8:09pm Shkiah 8:27pm

## TORAH PORTAL

All our shiurim and classes are available online!

Visit our new Torah Portal for a listing of all available programs, including the daily and weekly classes you're familiar with, and a few new additions!

HTTP://TBDJ.ORG/PORTAL



### WITH RABBI AND RIFKI FREUNDLICH

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2020

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## **UPCOMING TOURS**





MONDAY, MAY 18 AT 5:00PM EST QUMRAN & DEAD SEA / קומראן WITH MAYA YECHEZKEL



יום ירושלים



THURSDAY, MAY 21 LIVE AT 5:00PM EST

**EXPLORING JERUSALEM'S RE-UNIFIED BORDERS** 

WITH RABBI ARYEH LEIFERT





MONDAY, MAY 25 AT 5:00PM EST WITH YONI BERG מנהרות הכותל / WITH YONI BERG