### Yahrzeits this week

Jan 1-28 Tevet
Heime Berkowitz
Gertrude Blitstein
Abraham Edward
Bober
Isadore Brozosky
Lester Chudacoff
Frances Jablo
Lillian Saks
Berel Sales
Dora Samson
Marvin Eugene
Schatzman
Sara Siver
Idelle Weisbrod

Jan 2-29 Tevet
Helen Bernstein
Eugene Dechter
Hyman M. Gorsky
Louis Grief
Kamal Hakimian
Walter Koehler
Louis Lesnoy
Seymour Milstein
Benjamin Weinstein
Tobia Weinstein
Rita Zorndorf

Jan 3-1 Shevat
Michael Batler
Lawrence Cohen
LeRoy Dunn
Cherie Ersler
Sally Goldstick
David J. Goldwasser
Larry Grossman
Joseph "Joey" Harris
Leslie Korman
Sylvia Lasinsky
Tillie Orkin

Agatha Plotkin Linda Porec Israel Leib Sidler Rose Singer Claire Zelkowitz Weber

Jan 4-2 Shevat Nathan Barr Harriet Berger Lillian Brown Leonard C. Cohen Tybie Diamond Harry Erdos David Ira Fisher Herman Geller Muriel Glassenberg **Daniel Golbus** Carol Greenberg David Greenfeld Jacob Kaplan Jerome Kaplan Aaron Kawer Shirley Laskin Howard M. Lessin **Dorothy Meisel** Bernard Mink Aghajan Mokhtarian Eleanor Moss Betty Palmer Bervl Root Esther Rosenstein Sam F. Rowe Rose Shechtman Sarah Sweet Herman Weinstein

Jan 5-3 Shevat Harvey Ellis Berebitsky Sam Bubman Syra Cohn Francis Garlin Norman Graff Dorothy Isaacson Philip Meltzer Fave Menzer Henry J. Newman Rose Pinchouck Irene Schneider Rose Shane Lena Shapiro Clarence Spitzer Joan Starkston Frieda Tecktiel David Telpner Corrine Wolff Jerome B. Wulfsohn Mollie Zelkowitz

Jan 6-4 Shevat Sam Abrams Jeanette Donn Harold Golden Ruth Milstein Sylvia Schneider Philip Schoeneman Anna Simon

Jan 7-5 Shevat Svlvia Billowitz Arlene Bizar Steven Doroff Edith Goobler David Goodman Harry Heftman Abraham Kaplan Wolf Laznowski Sherwin Malkin Bessie Modneck Martin Prager Joseph "Jo Jo" Solomon Edna Speaker Izak Taksin Fred Wertheimer

If you are interested in being a part of our community, please contact Michael Garlin, Executive Director.



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Shabbat Va'era

## Shabbat Shalom and Welcome to Congregation Beth Shalom!

We seek to enrich the lives of our congregation through ever-evolving ideals of observance, life-long learning, and acts of kindness from this generation to the next. We are committed to meeting the spiritual, educational and social needs of our members through the practice of Conservative Judaism in an all-inclusive manner. We seek to encourage involvement and create a sense of belonging by serving our community, the Jewish people, and the State of Israel.

We hope you enjoy worshiping with us. Following services, please join us for kiddush luncheon and introduce yourself so we may personally greet you.

Rabbi Aaron Melman • Senior Cantor Steven Stoehr • Rabbi Warner Ferratier
Dr. Bob Spector, President • Rabbi Carl Wolkin, Emeritus

Link to online Live Streaming (copy and paste into browser) -

https://www.bethshalomnb.org/pray/live-streaming/

Link to Siddur Sim Shalom (copy and paste into browser) -

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Many members of our congregation have had allergic reactions to perfume and/or colognes. We are asking that if you could, please keep this in mind and refrain from using these products in the future. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

#### Thought to Ponder:

Moses worries that if the Israelites won't listen to him, neither will the Egyptians. What does this teach us about leadership?

#### Schedule of Services

In-Person, Live Stream, & Zoom Sunday & Legal Holidays @ 8:45 AM Monday-Friday @ 7:45 AM Sunday-Thursday @ 7:45 PM

# CBS has now returned to daily in-person Minyanim.

Please take an active role in our community by helping us make Minyan every morning & evening.

- No pre-registration is required.
- All people over 2 years of age attending any CBS program (inside or outside) are required to wear a mask, regardless of vaccine status, until further notice.
- If you're not feeling well, you should not attend any worship services in person. at CBS.

#### **Mark Your Calendars**

Jan 10	Purim Basket Ordering
	Begins
Jan 14-16	Diversity Weekend
Jan 14	Diversity ShabbaTONE
	featuring Magevet: Yale
	University's Jewish a
	capella Singing Group
Jan 17	Tu B'Shevat
Jan 20	CBS Connections
Feb 11	ShabbaTONE
Feb 13	World Wide Wrap
Feb 20	60 Minutes of Jewish
	Music presents: "What
	the World Needs Now"

Visit our Website for all of our CBS Live! Class Offerings www.BethShalomNB.org

## Congregational Gifts for S'machot

B'nai Mitzvah receive gifts from the congregation, Sisterhood, Men's Club, JUF, the Youth Commission and Rochelle Zell Jewish High School.

Gifts presented to those celebrating aufrufs and babynamings are provided by the Zaransky Family Ticktin Jewish Community Memorial Fund.

## Synagogue Etiquette

In keeping with the spirit of Shabbat and to respect your fellow worshipers, please refrain from taking photographs, smoking and writing. If you must be accessible, please set your phone on silent. Please do not use your cell phone anywhere inside the building.

If you have any questions, please see one of our volunteer Shabbat Ambassadors or Greeters.

We invite you to visit www.BethShalomNB.org for more information about Beth Shalom and our many events, classes and programs happening throughout the year! All CBS religious services are live streamed.

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### This Week's Parashah

"I have heard the cries of the Israelites," says God, "and I will now fulfill my promise to them. redeeming them from slavery and bringing them into the land that I promised to their ancestors." Moses relates God's words, but the Israelites refuse to listen. God instructs an unwilling Moses to speak to Pharaoh. How can he convince Pharaoh, Moses wonders, if even the Israelites will not listen to him? God tells Moses to have Aaron accompany him as spokesman. When Pharaoh refuses to allow the Israelites to journey into the wilderness to worship God, the plagues begin. First, the Nile river and all the water in Egypt turn to blood. This is followed by an infestation of frogs. However, Pharaoh's magicians are able to duplicate these calamities. When the plague of lice afflicts the land, the magicians tell Pharaoh that it is the finger of God. Only when God afflicts Egypt with the fourth plague, wild beasts, does Pharaoh begin to soften, offering to allow the Israelites to go. Once the plague is removed. Pharaoh changes his mind. The fifth plague (cattle disease), the sixth plague (boils), and seventh plague (fiery hail) torment the Egyptians, and Pharaoh is once again forced to give in. But as soon as the hail eases, Pharaoh's heart is hardened and he refuses to release the Children of Israel. Moses and Aaron go to Pharaoh demanding in the name of God that the Israelites be permitted to leave Egypt to worship God in the wilderness, but Pharaoh refuses to agree to their plea.

## Today's Haftarah

Ezekiel lived in Babylon during the days of the exile (6th century B.C.E.) and was a master of mystic dreams and visions. Like Jeremiah and Isaiah, he fortifies his people's faith in God's forgiveness; but unlike them, he stresses the great need for structured ritual as a basis for a religious revival. The haftarah begins with a scene of Israel restored to its land from exile. Then Ezekiel turns to Egypt with fury. He compares Pharaoh and his nation to a sea monster whom God will feed to the beasts and the birds. Egypt will be made desolate by God, and its people will be dispersed. Eventually, the Egyptian people will be restored to their land, but this nation which subjugated the Children of Israel will be humbled, and Israel will have been strengthened. The Torah portion and the haftarah respectively present old and new judgments against Egypt. The first judgments against Egypt comes with the liberation of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery; the second with the promise of Israel's ingathering and the sprouting of its "horn of strenath."