Yahrzeits this week

Jul 15-26 Tammuz Joseph Cohen Ferne Elliott Allegra Faratzi Lerov Fine Seymour Gordon Ida Kaufman Harvey Medvin Herman Meerbaum Jeannette Petchenik Harry Schaffer Loraine Schonfeld Bennett Wintroub

Jul 16-27 Tammuz Celia Brownstein Todd Chapman Gertrude Goldfarb Harry Lempert Frieda Oshroff **Edward Sigman** Touba Soomekh Harlene Sperling Sol Stern Bernard Wolper

Jul 17-28 Tammuz Howard Apple Sheldon Chapman Sam Davis Josef Dembo Marie Eisenberg Rose Fogel Lillian Freidin Gertrude Gettleman Mark Kalter

Barbara Rudenberg Al Schwartz Aaron Stein Jeanette Streicher Dorothy Rapaport West Harold Zislis

Jul 18-29 Tammuz Joe Asch Charles Korenthal Ann Bolotin Kushnir Rose Lillian Lesnov Leo Petchenik Annette Pierce Henry Schuster Marcia Shervl Schwartzberg Melvin J Tecktiel Samuel Turitz Nathan Wedner

Jul 19-1 Av Arnold Blocker Joseph Jacob Clor Fav Dunn Herbert Hibnick Norman Kramer Gerald Kurtz Vicki Madigan Harry Messer Marilyn Ross Rika Shafir Franklin Delano Sklare **Dolores Warren**

Paul Warren Dr. Stephen Weisman

Jul 20-2 Av Brona Burrows Julie Cooper Abe Dubinsky Marshall Lewis Fav Marilyn Goldstein Milton Podolsky Albert Silcroft

Jul 21-3 Av Jacques Banayan Sarah Billowitz Jerry Heifetz Irwin Lapping Lola Levko Cathryn Livingston Khasan Novitsky Michael Ravage Martin Rogin Shervl Schwartzberg Irving Weinstock

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Shabbat -Mattot-Massei

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 David Chapman Dr. Bob Spector, President • Rabbi Carl Wolkin, Emeritus

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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.

Schedule of Services

In-Person & Live Stream
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.

Our Mincha (afternoon) service takes place approximately 45 minutes after the conclusion of morning services, but no earlier than 12:15 PM.

Shmooze out the Blues

Starting in May, on Thursdays from 7:15PM – 7:45PM, Cantor Stoehr will be hosting an informal gathering in the Beit Midrash prior to the evening minyan. During this time anyone who is currently in a period of reciting Kaddish who feels as if a few extra minutes in the company of a few empathic others would be healing, are welcome to join us. No prepared program is planned, just some shared time, thoughts and feelings if you wish.

Acknowledgements

The Kiddush is hosted by: The Sisterhood in honor of the International Women's League for Conservative Judaism, the Congregation, and the Laven Family Shabbat Celebration Fund.

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Thought to Ponder:

"Masei" refers to the 42 journeys Israel undertook between leaving Mitzraim and arriving in Eretz Yisrael. But why is it plural – why doesn't the Torah consider this as one long journey?

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.

Today's Torah Reading

ALIYAH	CHAPTER/VERSES	READER	PAGE
1	Numbers 30:2-9	Matty Shechtman	941
2	Numbers 30:10-13	Judi Greenberg	942
3	Numbers 30:14-17	Judi Greenberg	943
4	Numbers 31:1-12	WLCJ-Denise Mosk	943
5	Numbers 31:13-24	Rachel Laven	945
6	Numbers 31:25-41	Randi Simon	947
7	Numbers 31:42-54	Susan Stoehr	948
MAFTIR	Numbers 31:51-54	Susan Stoehr	949
HAFTARAH	Jeremiah 2:4-28,3:4	Marsha Strongin	973

This Week's Parashah

Mattot-Massei briefly states the rules regarding vows. Jewish tradition considers vows to be serious commitments and these verses are the core of an entire tractate of Talmud called Nedarim (vows). The Israelites are commanded to take revenge upon the Midianites. The Midianite people pose a cultural, and not a military threat, to the Israelites. Their attack upon the Israelites has been through temptation and idolatry. The tribes of Reuben and Gad ask to settle east of the Jordan. Moses permits this. provided that they join the rest of the Israelites in the battles to be waged west of the Jordan. At Moab, God tells Moses to instruct the Israelites about settling the land across the Jordan.

Today's Haftarah

The prophet Jeremiah lived through one of the darkest times for our people. He witnessed all the warning signs that destruction was nigh, and despite his preaching about its inevitability, he was ignored and then saw his beloved city destroyed by the Babylonian army. He believes that Jerusalem's demolition is due in most part to the Israelites turning to idols. It is not that God is necessarily jealous and therefore destroys the Temple, decimating the people, out of spite; rather, it is that this once holy people, who have infinite capabilities within them for goodness, are forsaking what really matters and turning to meaningless idols. They care more about possessions than they do about the sanctity of human relationships. There is still time, warns Jeremiah, to turn back from our selfish ways and find truth in the words of Torah.