

## Yahrzeits this week

### Dec 23-11 Tevet

Max Becker  
Eva Bovilsky  
Florence Brenner  
Charles Dann  
Carole Hartzman  
Lewis Jaffe  
Victor Lazar  
Beatrice Rohde  
Harriet Rosen  
Stephen Rothblatt  
Janet B Simons  
Nancy Strauss  
David Weinstein  
Dr Samuel Werch

### Dec 24-12 Tevet

Emily Ann Dorfman  
Marvin Fox  
Stanley Franklin  
Ruth Gold  
Harvey R. Gold  
Simon Good  
Minnie Rose Graff  
Doris Kahn  
Zelda Leibovitz  
Percy Lev  
George Mayster  
Harry Miller  
Lewis Pervosky  
Lillian Rivkin  
Larry Rosengard  
Harriet Sear  
Mary Tuteur  
Bella Winokur

### Dec 25-13 Tevet

Rochelle Baum  
Harold Blitstein  
Sherwin Freidin  
Esther Halpern  
Esther Kassab  
Henry Kristal  
Richard Kurnick  
Max Malin  
Sol Nadler  
Pearl Sak  
Aaron Stolberg

### Dec 26-14 Tevet

Sadie Bass  
Gerald Cole  
Jacob Dubofsky  
Norbert Eglash  
Frieda Goldman  
Steven Gross  
Shirley Johnson  
Harry Kahn  
Kate Shapiro  
Shandel Taksin  
Jacob Wadler

### Dec 27-15 Tevet

Philly Baer  
Sheri Bram  
Emma Klein  
Maurice Klein  
Bella Newman  
Melvin Ross  
Maurice Wolf  
Moshe Yashar

### Dec 28-16 Tevet

Irwin Bizar  
Rose Ein  
Miriam Elbaum  
Lila Friedman  
Barbara Goldman  
David Maltz  
Harriet Mandel  
Leonard  
Nattenheimer  
Patricia Newman  
Lorraine Dubofsky  
Omens-Haynes  
Robert Oppman  
Henry Stern  
Frank Weiss  
Jerome Yale

### Dec 29-17 Tevet

Hilda Abrahams  
Bessie Balter  
Rose Shechtman  
Greenberg  
Ryan Hall  
Arthur Lindenberg  
Clara Medvin  
Marshall Miller  
Rita Polyakov  
Adel Samuelson  
Jerry Shaftal  
Jack Simon  
Harold Turner

December 23, 2023  
11 Tevet 5784



Shabbat -  
Vayigash

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



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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.  
♦ Masks are now optional, if you are more comfortable, please continue to wear your mask.  
♦ If you're not feeling well, you should not attend any worship services, events, or programs, in person, at CBS.

Thought to Ponder:  
When was the last time you really wanted to make someone in your family proud? (See Gen. 45:13)

### Acknowledgements

The Kiddush is hosted by: The Congregation, Sisterhood and the Laven Family Shabbat Celebration Fund.

### Mark Your Calendars

Dec 25-Jan 1 CBS Main Office Closed  
Jan 5-6 Shabbat with a Twist  
Jan 5 Birthday Shabbat Selahbrate  
Jan 12-13 Ark Adventures  
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Jan 12 Anniversary Shabbat Selahbrate  
Jan 15 CBS Main Office closed for MLK Holiday  
Jan 18-21 Scholar in Residence  
Jan 26 ShabbaTONE and 5th Grade Shabbat  
Feb 2-3 Shabbat with a Twist  
Feb 2 Sisterhood Shabbat with Birthday Selahbrate

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### Today's Torah Reading

ALIYAH	CHAPTER/VERSES	READER	PAGE
1	Genesis 45:28-46:4	Bob Spector	279
2	Genesis 46:5-7	Harriette Leibovitz	280
3	Genesis 46:8-11	Harriette Leibovitz	281
4	Genesis 46:12-15	Elisa Rotman	281
5	Genesis 46:16-18	Scott Bosley	281
6	Genesis 46:19-22	Len Rubin	282
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MAFTIR	Genesis 46:23-27	Len Rubin	282
HAFTARAH	Ezekiel 37:15-28	Bruce Chudacoff	291

### This Week's Parashah

Joseph still has not revealed his identity. At the end of last week's reading, Joseph tells the brothers that Benjamin must remain with him in Egypt as a slave after he had been found with Joseph's missing silver goblet. Judah explains that Jacob would die of grief if Benjamin remained in Egypt and offers to take Benjamin's place. Joseph is overwhelmed by the brothers' compassion for their father and each other - much changed from the brothers who sold him into slavery. At last, he reveals himself and the brothers are fearful that Joseph will now take revenge on them. But Joseph assures them that everything that happened was part of God's plan. Joseph wants his family to join him in Egypt so that he can provide for them during the famine. When Pharaoh learns that "Joseph's brothers have come," he too invites Jacob and the others to settle in Egypt. Before leaving Canaan, Jacob is visited by God in a dream. God promises to be with him in Egypt, and will also eventually bring him back up to Israel. After a tearful reunion with Jacob, Joseph settles his family in Goshen. The Torah reading concludes: "Thus Israel settled in the country of Egypt, in the region of Goshen; they acquired holdings in it, and were fertile and increased greatly." The grammar of the Hebrew suggests a transition for the descendants of Jacob (Israel). The verb "settled" is singular, thus referring to the individual Israel (Jacob); the second half of the sentence is entirely in plural, referring to Jacob's offspring and their families as they emerge from being merely an extended family to the *B'nai Yisrael*—the Israelites.

### Today's Haftarah

Ezekiel is speaking to the Jewish people exiled in Babylonia just after his famous vision of the Valley of Dry Bones, in which he speaks of a national resurrection. In our Haftarah, God instructs Ezekiel to take two sticks and to write upon each of them. On the first: "For Judah and the children of Israel, his companions." On the second: "For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim and all the house of Israel associated with it." The prophet is to bring these two sticks together as a demonstration to the people that all twelve tribes of Israel will be reunited. God also promises that once the Jewish people are reestablished in the Land of Israel, He will make with them a covenant of peace. Both the Torah reading and the Haftarah have strong themes of reunification. In the Torah reading, Joseph is reunited with his family. In the Haftarah, God promises the reunification of the Northern and Southern Kingdoms.

### 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.  
  
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### 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.**  
  
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