

Shabbat Update March 28, 2021

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Cantor Bessman's Shabbat Update



Dear BCT Members,

This week, we have a few changes to our regular schedule. Most of this is probably not new, but now that the time is near, please take special note:

- Thursday, March 25, 7:30 pm: Adult Hebrew (sorry, nothing new there).
- Friday, March 26, 7:30 pm: No Friday night services at BCC; however, everyone is invited



February Calendar of Events

*B'er Chayim
Temple is closed
until we may safely
reopen*

**Friday
March 26
NO Erev
Shabbat
Service**

to the Frostburg State University Department of Music Spring Choral Concert's presentation of L'chaim! A Jewish Composers Showcase. Its director, Dr. Scott Rieker, is highly respected in the musical community. And, as many of you know, I will be participating. This live-streamed event can be accessed at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjZl3yUw9i9AYIL0jAjQhoQ>. If the link is not working for you at the time, please visit the FSU Department of Music's website.

- Saturday, March 27, evening: The first night of Passover. I hope everyone will be able to attend a seder. Either way, the congregation will host (via Zoom) the second-night seder on:

- Sunday, March 28, 6:30 pm. Community ZOOM Seder. I know you know that! There will be a five-minute break in the middle of the service, so plan on eating before if you like (minus the matzah). The ceremony should be finished around 8:00 pm. We are using: A Passover Haggadah, the CCAR publication edited by Herbert Bronstein. There are several copies in the office. If you need to borrow a copy or two, just give us a call. Lawrence A. Hoffman's Historical Introduction on pages 9-12 answers many questions about why we do what we do (and why it is when we do it). There are only four pages of terrific background information to read.

- And though it matters not for this week, we will be reopening the building for services next week. Saturday, April 3rd, is the day. 10:00 am the time. We continue with Zoom, meaning you have two options on how to attend. The same safeguards will be used that were in place last year to ensure the safety of those who choose to come in person.

Parashat Tzav is the Torah portion for this week. In it are the sacrificial obligations—described in somewhat graphic detail—commanded (tzav) to Aaron through Moses by God. As a vegan, I'm not sure how to appreciate it all. I'm sorry we aren't having Torah study this Saturday for me to hear your perspective. Fortunately, it will come up again

instead
FSU Choral
Concert
"L'Chaim!
A Jewish
Composers
Showcase"
7:30 pm
See article in this
Shabbat Update

Sunday
March 28
6:30 pm
Second
Night
Congregational
Seder
ZOOM

Thursday
April 1
7:30 pm
Adult Education
ZOOM

Friday
April 2
No Erev Shabbat
Service

Saturday
April 3
10:00 am
Morning Shabbat
Service
in Temple and
ZOOM



next year. Until then,

Shabbat Shalom,

Cantor Richard Bessman



This Week's Torah Portion

Tzav

Command [Aaron and His Sons]

Leviticus 6:1–8:36

The Eternal One spoke to Moses, saying:
"Command Aaron and his sons thus: This is
the ritual of the burnt offering: The burnt
offering itself shall remain where it is burned
upon the altar all night until morning, while the
fire on the altar is kept going on it." - Leviticus
6:1

Summary

- The five sacrifices that the priests are to perform are described. (6:1-7:38)
 - Limitations on the consumption of meat are delineated. (7:17-27)
 - Details about the ordination of Aaron and his sons as priests and the preparation of the Tabernacle as a holy place are given. (8:1-36)
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Yahrzeits for week ending

March 27, 2021
14 Nissan 5781

Samuel Fliegelman
Harriet Granet
Irvin L. Morton
Louis Fichter
Stacia Miller
Constance Grolman
Leo Isaacs
Dr. Blaine Schindler
Henri Schwab
Walter Schmitt
Esther Platt Klawan
Timothy C. Peach Jr.
Nathan Dantzie
Toby M. Kaplon
Maxine Rosenbaum
Rabbi Edwin
Schoffman



Happy Birthday

March 2
Bobbi Dubins

March 3
Amy Owens

HAPPY PASSOVER

Passover is right around the corner...
First night is Saturday, March 27th and the
Community Seder will be held on Sunday
evening, March 28th. Many details in Cantor
Bessman's column this week...



L'Chaim! A Jewish Composers Showcase

March 26th at 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Live-streamed from Frostburg State University
using the link below.

FSU Department of Music Spring Choral
Concert's presentation with B'er Chayim's own
Cantor Richard Bessman as cantorial soloist.
Please join us in watching this performance.
Erev Shabbat Services will not be held.

Concert available by visiting Frostburg State
University Department of Music website.
Watch this space for additional login

March 4
Emmanuel Clark

March 6
Eddie Dezen
Leah Boggs

March 11
Lee Goldman

March 14
Gail Mandell

March 18
Curtis Friedenber
Alexandra
Andrews

March 24
Paul Snow

March 26
Gabriel Goldstein

March 28
David Shapiro
Raphael Goldstein

March 30
Barney Leibowitz

Happy Anniversary

March 10
Francine &
Howard Reynolds

March 28
Barb & Russ
Corwell

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**"Virtual"
instructions -**

*To watch on **Zoom** -
send an email to
admin@berchayim.org
and the ID and
Password will be
emailed back to you.
The ZOOM Id and
Password will be the
same each Friday
evening. Please
remember that Rebecca
is part time, leave
yourself enough time.*

*Following along in
prayerbooks for ZOOM
services:
Links for prayerbooks
are found on our website
(www.berchayim.org).
Those links will take you
to Mishkah T'Filah for
Shabbat Services.*

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