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Shabbat Update April 17, 2021

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Cantor Bessman's Shabbat Update



Dear BCT Members,

Last Friday was our first Friday in the temple sanctuary. Hearing congregants pray together in person is very uplifting, as is being able to sing with Wes. Everyone socially distanced and wore masks. Of course, the Zoom option was and will continue to be available. Onegs still are on hold, although my guess is that by next month we will be ready. This week:

- Tonight begins Yom HaAtzmaut, Israel's day of independence;
- Tomorrow night Adult Hebrew continues at



April Calendar of Events

B'er Chayim Temple is open for in-person services. Same safeguards will be in place.

ZOOM services will continue 7:30 pm. For now, we are meeting only on Zoom. Soon we may meet at the temple, but I am sure that we will have some hybrid version. I do not want anyone to feel left out if they are unable to come to the building;

• Friday night, Shabbat Services at 7:30 pm (in the sanctuary or Zoom);

• Saturday morning, Torah Study at 10:00 am (Zoom); and

• Sunday afternoon at 2:00 pm, tours of Masada and the Dead Sea with Moshe Gold (followmoses.com). No hiking required.

The parisha is Tazria-Metzora. This double reading is from the Book of Leviticus and covers a few areas some might label "for mature audiences only." The details I'll save for Saturday. Before that we celebrate Shabbat Services, at the temple or wherever you may be with computer in hand.

Shabbat Shalom,

Cantor Richard Bessman



This Week's Torah Portion

Tazria - M'tzora

תַזְרִיעַ - מְצֹרָע

Bearing Seed / A Leper

Thursday April 15 7:30 pm Adult Hebrew ZOOM

Friday April 16 7:30 pm Erev Shabbat Service In Temple and ZOOM

Saturday April 17 10:00 am Torah Study ZOOM

Sunday April 18 2:00 PM ZOOM Tour of Israel Contact Rebecca for ZOOM details

Monday April 19 7:00 pm Board Meeting

Thursday April 22 Adult Hebrew ZOOM

Friday April 23 7:30 pm Erev Shabbat Service In Temple & ZOOM

Leviticus 12:1-15:33

SUMMARY

- God describes the rituals of purification for a woman after childbirth. (12:1-8)
- God sets forth the methods for diagnosing and treating a variety of skin diseases, including tzara-at (a leprous affection), as well as those for purifying clothing. (13:1-59)
- Priestly rituals to cure tzara-at when it afflicts humans are described. (14:1-32)
- Rituals to rid dwelling places of tzara-at are presented. (14:33-57)
- The parashah denotes male impurities resulting from a penile discharge or seminal emission. (15:1-18)
- The parashah concludes with accounts of female impurities caused by a discharge of blood. (15:19-33)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Join us for another exhilarating ZOOM Tour of Israel Sunday, April 18th 2:00 pm



Masada and the Dead Sea

Learn about one of history's greatest rebellions, visit the Dead Sea, a natural wonder, and take a virtual trip to Kumran,



Yahrzeits for week ending

April 17, 2021 5 Iyar 5781

Joseph Mazzucca Ira Lippel Charlotte Becker Eva Kleeman Retta Luddeke Arthur Rosenau Abraham Rothstein Reuben Lichtenstein Elizabeth Weisman Isaac H. Rosenberg





Happy Birthday

April 12 Alan Clark

April 14 Jill Klein

April 22 Mark DeShong Leslie Leibowitz

> **April 29** Alan Arnson

Happy Anniversary

April 10 Beth & Ben Goldstein

April 26 Judi & Harry Haag

share your birthday and anniversaries dates with our friends and families...contact info@berchayim.org



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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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