

Shabbat Update January 22, 2022

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Dear BCC Membership,

This last week has been eventful for B'er Chayim. Thanks to Zoom, we had a very well-attended Shabbat evening service and inspiring Tu B'Shevat seder—both unaffected by weather and the recent upsurge in viral activity.

We continue to enjoy hybrid services. Proper masking (at the minimum, surgical masks, KN95 better, N95 best) and up-to-date vaccinations are required. At this time,



January Calendar of Events

*B'er Chayim
Temple is open for
in-person
services.
Safeguards will be
in place -mask
wearing &
observing
safe distances*

ZOOM services

members and their extended families are welcome to attend in-person services. Of course, everyone is welcome to join online. If you have any questions, please reach out to a board member or me.

I hope classes will resume in person soon; however, they remain Zoom-only. Students seem to be pleased with the new schedule of adult classes: 45 minutes of Hebrew followed by 45 minutes of “Aseret Hadibrot” learning. Tomorrow, Hebrew begins at 7:00 pm, and our exploration into the Ten Commandments follows at 7:45 pm. Class members are very friendly—don’t be shy about attending if you haven’t been able to yet.

This week we receive the Ten Statements (i.e., the Ten Commandments) after Moses hears some very sound advice from his father-in-law, Jethro (Hebrew: Yitro, also the name of this week’s parashah). We find that leadership has its challenges, but Moses is doing pretty well considering he is—quite literally—living the Torah.

Hope to see many of you tomorrow, and Shabbat Shalom,

Cantor Richard Bessman

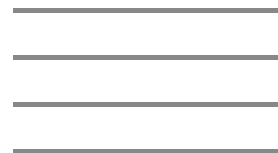


This Week's Torah Portion

continue

Thursday
January 20
7:00 - 7:45 pm
Adult Hebrew
7:45 - 8:30 pm
Adult Education
"Aseret - The
Big Ten"
ZOOM only

Friday
January 21
7:30 pm
Erev Shabbat
Service
In person &
ZOOM



Yahrzeits for week ending

January 22, 2022
16 Sh'vat 5782

Joseph
Sonneborn

Rose Spear

Rachel Beerman

Sarah G.
Bernstein

Harry Parish

Yitro

יִתְרוֹ Jethro

Exodus 18:1–20:23

Summary:

- Yitro brings his daughter Zipporah and her two sons, Gershom and Eliezer, to his son-in-law Moses. (18:1-12)
- Moses follows Yitro's advice and appoints judges to help him lead the people. (18:13-27)
- The Children of Israel camp in front of Mount Sinai. Upon hearing the covenant, the Israelites respond, "All that God has spoken we will do." (19:1-8)
- After three days of preparation, the Israelites encounter God at Mount Sinai. (19:9-25)
- God gives the Ten Commandments aloud directly to the people. (20:1-14)
- Frightened, the Children of Israel ask Moses to serve as an intermediary between God and them. Moses tells the people not to be afraid. (20:15-18)

Sara Sommer

Betty Atkinson
Favre

Johanna Rapp

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Freda Vanetsky

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Happy Birthday

January 13
Gregg Schaaf
Robin Reddng

January 24
Deb Litman

January 26
Carol Granet

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Anniversary**

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