

Shabbat Update February 5, 2022

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Dear BCC Membership,

As mentioned in the soon-to-be-published bulletin, February is rather sparse in the Jewish-holy-day department (Shabbat, notwithstanding). Now is a perfect time to increase Jewish learning. But where to start? Shabbat goers know that I often refer to material discussed in our Adult Education's "Aseret: The Big Ten" program. What a great place to start or to re-start your explorations in Judaism. All are welcome to Thursday's class, and we have extra sets of materials in the temple to borrow or peruse.

Jewish learning spans many topics, such as Bible, history, culture, and practice. Practice, of course, includes prayer. It may be too early to worry about Rosh Hashanah; however, it may not be too early to think about preparing for the services. Perhaps you may enjoy reading or learning how to read from the Torah (and/or chant a haftarah portion)? I am happy to help. Some find it challenging, but



February 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
continue*

everyone finds it fulfilling.

Every day is a new day in the ongoing COVID saga. Numbers are going down. Let's all take care so that this year we are able to have an in-person Passover seder. Regular Shabbat Update readers know that though we continue to enjoy hybrid services, proper masking (at the minimum, surgical masks, KN95 better, K95 best) and up-to-date vaccinations are required. In-person services are limited to members and their extended families, though all are welcome to join online. If you have any questions, please reach out to a board member or me.

Tomorrow, Adult Hebrew continues at 7:00 pm on Zoom. We are making good progress with the Hebrew through Prayer series, and we are nearly finished with the final volume. Many are surprised to see how frequently Hebrew words recur in the siddur. Who said Hebrew prayer is hard? Adult Education takes over at 7:45 pm with "Aseret: The Big Ten." Apparently, bearing false witness is not a Jewish value.

I hope you have a peaceful Shabbat evening at home, welcoming the day with Shalom Aleichem and a kiddish. Services at the Temple are on Saturday at 10:00 am.

Shabbat Shalom,

Cantor Richard Bessman

This Week's Torah Portion

T'rumah

Gifts

Exodus 25:1–27:19

**Thursday
February 3
7:00 - 7:45 pm
Adult Hebrew
7:45 - 8:30 pm
Adult Education
"Aseret - The
Big Ten"
ZOOM only**

**Friday
February 4
No Erev Shabbat
Service**

**Saturday
February 5
10:00 am
Morning
Service**

**Thursday
February 10
7:00 - 7:45 pm
Adult Hebrew
7:45 - 8:30 pm
Adult Education
"Aseret - The
Big Ten"
ZOOM only**

**Friday
February 11
7:30 pm
EREV
SHABBAT
In person &
ZOOM**

**Yahrzeits for
week ending**

Summary

- God asks the Children of Israel to donate gifts (t'rumah) for the building of the Tabernacle so that God may "dwell among them." (25:1-9)
- Instructions for the construction of the Ark, table, and menorah are provided. (25:10-40)
- Detailed directions are given on how to build the Tabernacle. (26:1-27:19)

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Happy Birthday

February 8
Marilyn Brock

February 13
Valeria Arch

February 20
Dottie Hohing

February 23
Brian Lang
Ben Goldstein

**Happy
Anniversary
&
Happy
Valentines
Day**

February 14
Debra & Gregg
Schaaf

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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, and leave
yourself enough time.*

*Following along in
prayerbooks for ZOOM
services:*

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