#### Shabbat Update April 23, 2022

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#### Dear BCT Membership,

I am delighted to report that the congregational Passover seder was a great success. Over forty people attended, took part in the traditional prayers, ate delicious food, and enjoyed this long-awaited communal experience in the Temple. Thanks to all who made the evening the success that it was, most notably Gayle Griffith and Debbie Lang.

More events are planned, and several were discussed at Monday's April Board Meeting. Hear's hoping that this year we will turn the tide against COVID.

There remains time to contribute to April's drive for the World Union for Progressive Judaism's (WUPJ) Ukraine Emergency Support Program. The Board is generously matching donations, meaning more funds will be available for much-needed help. To read a description of the fund click here. Please send



## April 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

a check payable to B'er Chayim Temple with a note explaining that it is for the WUPJ Ukraine Emergency Support Program.

Now that the seder is behind us, research and plans for the congregational trip to Israel move to the forefront. I have heard from several people that they are very interested in going. I have several ideas about places to visit, but I would like to hear from everyone. Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Masada (and the Dead Sea), Safed are must-sees. The Negev and Eilat are also possibilities. Ten or eleven days seems to be a reasonable time. We are aiming for Spring 2023. Please share with me your thoughts.

Though it may be Passover, Adult Hebrew continues at 7:00 pm tomorrow, with Adult Education following at 7:45 pm. Friday night services at the Temple (and on Zoom) are at 7:30 pm. As noted above, in-person events are so much more satisfying.

Chag Sameach and Shabbat Shalom!

Cantor Richard Bessman

#### This Week's Torah Portion

#### Acharei Mot I

After the Death [of the Two Sons of Aaron]

Leviticus 16:1-17:16

#### Summary:

 The duties that the head kohein must perform on Yom Kippur are delineated and the ceremony of the scapegoat is outlined. (16:1-28) Thursday
April 21
7:00 - 7:45 pm
Adult Hebrew
7:45 - 8:30 pm
Adult Education
"Aseret - The
Big Ten"
ZOOM only

Friday
April 22
7:00 pm
Erev
Shabbat
Service
In-person &
ZOOM

Thursday
April 28
7:00 - 7:45 pm
Adult Hebrew
7:45 - 8:30 pm
Adult Education
"Aseret - The
Big Ten"
ZOOM only

Friday
April 29
7:30 pm
Erev Shabbat
Service
In-Person &
ZOOM



Yahrzeits for week ending

- Moses instructs Aaron about the Yom Kippur laws for fasting and atonement. (16:29-34)
- Warnings are issued against the offering of sacrifices outside the Sanctuary and the consumption of blood. (17:1-16)

#### April 23

Elizabeth Weisman

Samuel Dantzic

Isaac H. Rosenberg

Sol Glicksman

Ben F. Rubel

Susan C. Hurwitz

Barney Mandell

Aryeh Leib Bernstein

Stuart Schreiber

Alberta Friedland Mosler

Louis Bernstein







#### Happy Birthday

**April 12** Alan Clark

April 14 Jill Klein

April 22 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, and 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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