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Shabbat Update December 24 , 2022

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Dear BCT Membership,

Hanukkah began Sunday night with winter not far behind.

We hope that Friday night's Hanukkah candle lighting/Shabbat



December Calendar of Events

*B'er Chayim Temple
is open for
in-person
services.*

service/potluck dinner and party (beginning at 6:00 pm in the vestry) is still a go. However, if the weather is unkind for that evening, a Saturday morning service with festivities may be a better choice. The ritual committee is following all forecasts. Please check the website or your email. If you do not hear or see otherwise, Friday it will be.

Last night, I saw City Hall proudly lit in blue and white. Tonight is the last night you'll be able to see this historic illumination. Again, thanks to the City of Cumberland and Mayor Raymond Morris.

Tomorrow, Adult Hebrew continues at 7:00 pm, and weather is never a problem. Joseph is now the uncontested star as he takes center stage in Miketz. Moses gets credit for leading the Children of Israel out of Egypt, but without Joseph, we wouldn't have even survived. Joseph—ever the humble servant—never asks for his due credit.

Tonight is candle #4. Oddly enough, Hanukkah is the longest holiday of the Jewish year, minor though it may be. Hope we can celebrate it together on day six, if not at night then by morning. Either way, it will be a double holiday,

Hag Hanukkah Sameach and Shabbat Shalom,

Hazzan Richard Bessman



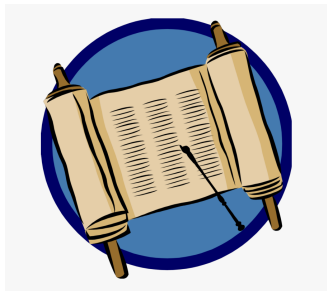
ZOOM services continue

**Thursday
December 22
7:00 pm
Adult Hebrew**

**Friday
December 23
6:00 Shabbat
Evening Services
and Hanukkah
Potluck/Party
Bring your
menorah and
candles!!**

**PLEASE
REREAD RABBI
BESSMAN'S
COLUMN ABOUT
WEATHER
POSSIBILITIES
FOR OUR
HANUKKAH
PARTY/POTLUCK
ON FRIDAY
EVENING! IF
WEATHER
INTERRUPTS,
WE'LL SEE YOU
ON SATURDAY!**





This Week's Torah Portion

Mikeitz

אָפֶּתֶר *After [Two Years]*

Genesis 41:1-44:17

Summary:

- Joseph interprets Pharaoh's two dreams and predicts seven years of prosperity followed by seven years of famine. (41:1-32)
 - Pharaoh places Joseph in charge of food collection and distribution. (41:37-49)
 - Joseph marries Asenath, and they have two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim. (41:50-52)
 - When Joseph's brothers come to Egypt to buy food during the famine, Joseph accuses them of spying. He holds Simeon hostage while the rest of the brothers return to Canaan to retrieve Benjamin for him. (42:3-42:38)
 - The brothers return to Egypt with Benjamin and for more food. Joseph continues the test, this time falsely accusing Benjamin of stealing and declaring that Benjamin must remain his slave. (43:1-44:17)
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Yahrzeits for
week ending

December 24

Max Feinstein

Freida D. Togut

Nosen David
Waingold

Mollie Lipsch

Catherine
Elizabeth Shofer

Joseph White

Ruth Baron

Simon Kline

Richard Elias
Schindler

Bertram
Friedland

David S. Hurwitz

Gertrude Schmitt

Jeanne D.
Newman

Richard Schwab

Paul Steinberger



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

**12/13
Nicole Manto**

**12/29
Steven Shapiro**

**12/29
Howard Hansell**

**12/30
Gayle Griffith**

**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

**December 23
Marilyn & Larry
Brock**



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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.*

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prayerbooks for **ZOOM**
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for **Shabbat Services**.*

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