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Shabbat Update for March 11, 2023

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Shabbat Update

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Dear BCC Members,

For most, Purim has passed. For BCC, it started on Saturday with a Megillah reading, food, and party. The Best Hamantaschen Baker for 2023 was determined by an expert panel of three local judges who graded each anonymous submission. The winner: Debbie Lang (in addition to being the first runner-up!). One may reasonably wonder what other titles she holds.

On Monday night, many of us enjoyed reading and drinking at parties all across the land; and last night—and today—Purim celebrations continue in lucky places like Jerusalem. One more benefit of living in the Promised Land.

As Purim comes to an end, we turn our attention to Passover. The four-week countdown begins. Thank you, David Shapiro, for your unsurpassed abilities in deciphering the Jewish calendar. This year, the second Seder falls on Thursday, April 6. This is a correction from last week's Shabbat Update and current bulletin whose editor was a day off. The Seder begins at 6:00 pm, and we expect everyone will want to participate. More information in later updates, but it's not too early to RSVP.

BCC Movie Nights continue on Saturday, March

March Calendar of Events

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

*ZOOM and
in-person services
continue*

**Thursday
March 9
7:30 pm
Adult Hebrew**

**Friday
March 10
7:30 pm
Erev Shabbat
Service**

**Thursday
March 16
7:30 pm
Adult Hebrew**

18. Dinner is served at 6:00 pm, followed by Havdalah, and a 7:00 pm Jewish-themed selection, TBD.

Last week, Adult Education began studying "Birkat HaMazon," study that may be rewarded at our community Passover Seder. Tomorrow, Adult Hebrew continues at 7:00 pm. Friday evening services are at 7:30 pm.

Hope to see you tomorrow and Friday,

Rabbi Richard Bessman

This Week's Torah Portion

Ki Tisa

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When You Take a Census

Exodus 30:11–34:35

Summary:

Moses takes a census of the Israelites and collects a half-shekel from each person (30:11-16)

God tells Moses to construct a water basin and to prepare anointing oil and incense for the ordination of the priests. Bezalel and Oholiab, skilled artisans, are assigned to make objects for the priests and the Tabernacle. (30:17-31:11)

The Israelites are instructed to keep Shabbat as a sign of their covenant with God. God gives Moses the two tablets of the Pact. (31:12-18)

The Israelites ask Aaron to build them a Golden Calf. Moses implores God not to destroy the

Friday
March 17
NO Erev Shabbat
Service

Saturday
March 18
10:00 am
Morning
Shabbat Service

Yahrzeit*s for week ending

March 11

Max Gottlieb

Rebecca Marx

Martin Rothstein

William Miller

Esther Marx

Marvin J. Kaplon

Regina Schindler

Jacob Schmitt

Dina Abrams

Hattie Lippel

and the recent
passing of
Paula Hurwitz

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people and then breaks the two tablets of the Pact on which the Ten Commandments are written when he sees the idol. God punishes the Israelites by means of a plague. (32:1-35)

Moses goes up the mountain with a blank set of tablets for another 40 days so that God will again inscribe the Ten Commandments. Other laws, including the edict to observe the Pilgrimage Festivals, are also revealed. (34:1-2)

Moses comes down from the mountain with a radiant face. (34:29-35)



March 2
Bobbi Dubins

March 3
Amy Owens

March 4
Emmanuel Clark

March 6
Eddie Dezen
Leah Boggs

March 11
Lee Goldman

March 14
Gail Mandell

March 18
Curtis Friedenber
Alexandra Andrews

March 24
Paul Snow

March 26
Gabriel Goldstein

March 28
David Shapiro
Raphael Goldstein

March 30
Barney Leibowitz

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March 10
Francine & Howard
Reynolds

March 28
Barb and Russ
Corwell



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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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