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Matot-Masei

Please proceed to WWW.ANSHEEMET.ORG/LIVESTREAM
to view our Shabbat morning service.



THE MUSIC PROJECT **Let's talk about music.**

Join us for a Community Conversation.

July sees the continuation of small-group Zoom-based Community Conversations. Members of the Az Yashir Task Force will continue to speak in depth with people from our community to further refine a vision of music moving forward.

Interested in participating?

Email music@ansheemet.org for more information.

Keep enjoying our playlist: www.ansheemet.org/azyashir
Send us your feedback: music@ansheemet.org

Transliteration of the Prayer for the State of Israel:

Avinu sheh-bashamayim, tsur Yisrael v'goal, bareikh et m'dinat Yisrael reishit ts'michat g'ulateinu. Hagein aleha b'evrat chasdekha ufros aleha sukot sh'lomekha, ushlach or'kha va'amit'kha l'rasheha sareha v'yoatseha, v'tak'neim b'eitsa tovah mil'fanekha. Chazeik et y'dei m'ginei eretz kodsheinu, v'hanchileim Eloheinu y'shua, va'ateret nit-sachon t'at'reim. V'natata shalom ba'arets v'simchat olam l'yosh'veha, v'nomar: Amen.



ANSHE EMET SYNAGOGUE

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Shabbat Shalom and Welcome!

We welcome you to Anshe Emet Synagogue and hope that you enjoy our worship service. If you are a visitor, please introduce yourself so we may welcome you and wish you Shabbat Shalom. Everyone is invited to join our community for Kiddush lunch following services.

Mission Statement

Anshe Emet Synagogue seeks to encourage involvement and create a special sense of belonging. We are committed to meeting the religious, educational, social, and cultural needs of our members within the framework of the Conservative Movement. In keeping with the teachings of Judaism and the spirit of Klal Yisrael, we recognize our responsibility to serve the Jewish community, the wider community and the state of Israel.

Michael S. Siegel • Senior Rabbi, Norman Asher Rabbinic Chair

Alberto Mizrahi • Hazzan, Arnold H. Kaplan M.D. Cantorial Chair

David Russo • Rabbi

D'ror Chankin-Gould • Rabbi

Elizabeth Berke • Hazzan Sheini

Naomi Weiss-Weil • Ritual Director

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Parsha Summary

Matot • Tribes

Numbers 30:2-32:42

This parashah begins with the issue of oaths and vows, establishing their binding nature for all men, and for women, provided that the fathers of minor daughters or husbands of married adults don't retract the vow when they first hear it. The vow of a widow or divorced woman is binding precisely as that of an adult man.

The last task facing Moses is to seek vindication from the Midianites for having drawn the Israelites into the licentious idolatry of Baal-Peor. Moses musters a force using soldiers from each of the tribes, and they vanquish the Midianites without losing a single Israelite warrior. In addition to executing the five Midianite kings, they also slaughter Balaam.

The soldiers take booty from the Midianite settlements, including women and children, beasts, herds, and gold. Moses is outraged that the very women who led the Israelite men astray are spared, and he orders their prompt execution as well. Then he mandates that the soldiers undertake a seven-day period of purification prior to reentering the camp.

The booty that remains is divided equally among those who fought and the rest of the community, at God's command. The officers, grateful for the remarkable victory and lack of Israelite casualties, donate all their gold plunder to the sanctuary.

With the last battle of the wilderness behind them, Israel moves into a new phase; that of settlement. The two tribes of Reuben and Gad petition to settle on the eastern bank of the River Jordan, rather than on the western bank of the Jordan. At first, Moses resists this proposal, but once he is assured that the two tribes will continue to fight along with their fellow Israelites, he consents.

Masei • Itineraries

Numbers 33:1-36:13

The final parashah of the Book of Numbers recounts each of the forty-two camps of the Israelites, from Rameses to Sinai, from Sinai to Kadesh, and from Kadesh to the steps of Moab. This listing of encampments is both a joyous recollection of God's miracles along the way, and a sobering reminder of Israel's many rebellions against God and God's servant, Moses.

At the border of Canaan, God mandates the conquest and apportionment of the land. While Moses isn't allowed to enter the land, at least he is permitted to draw up the plans for its settlement and growth. He lays out the regulations for the conquest, the precise boundaries of the new Israelite home, and the authority of the tribal chieftains who will establish forty-eight towns for the Levites and the six Levitical towns of asylum for involuntary manslaughter.

The parashah and the entire book end with a follow-up from the family of Zelophehad, concerned that the women who will inherit family land will then marry into other families and their land will be lost. To remedy this concern, God mandates that the women must marry within their own clan.

The Book of Numbers closes with this observation: "These are the commandments and regulations that the Lord enjoined upon the Israelites, through Moses, on the steppes of Moab, at the Jordan near Jericho."

The Bedside Torah: Wisdom, Visions, and Dream
Rabbi Bradely Shavit Artson

Yahrzeits

We remember those of our Anshe Emet family who are no longer with us and whose Yahrzeits we observe this week.

May their memory be for a blessing.

Jacob Aberg
Deborah Adegbemi
Hinda Arkes
Ernest Bensinger
Albert E. Berger
Otto Blau
Bebe Burr
Leonid Calenoff
Alex Chapman
Harry Chirelstein
Mollie Dubnoff
Sol Ellis
Samuel Forshirm
A.I. Freeman
Pearl Fryer
Sylvia Gelfond
Nina T. Ginsburg
Lucile Goldberg
Eleanor Goldstein
Abraham Golman
Adolph Good
Lipman Halpern
Jules Herzfeld
Charles Hessel
Ivan Himmel
Pearl Jaquith
Jerome Johnson
Goldie Kaplan
Stanley Kaplan
Herman Kaplan
Molly Landau

Allan Levin
George Levin
Ann Magid
Robert Marcus
Irwin May
Dorothy Miner
Harry Minsky
Arnold P. Natenberg
Tillie Natkin
Don Norton, Sr.
Rebecca Pearlman
Mendel Pinsky
Rachel Privorotskay
Fannie Pure
Nancy Raisher
Benjamin Rapoport
Milton Rotenberg
Harry Rubenstein
Jule Sager
Harry Schneiderman
Alex Schwartz
Harry Shapps
Bernice Shore
Anna Sleph
Ella Smoler
Flora Sobel
Sadie C. Spachner
Roslyn Spellman
Moe Urdang
John Weiss
Howard Williams

Help Us Be There For You

Synagogue is a place where you want to feel at home, nourished, nurtured and spiritually fulfilled; a place where your soul, heart and head are touched. It is a place where you and your children feel a sense of relevance. It is a place where you are safe, where you are stimulated, and where you will find a welcoming community.

As part of this commitment, the clergy at Anshe Emet are here to help with Simchas and crises in your or your family's life. If you know someone who needs to speak with a member of our clergy, or if you want to add a name to the Mi Sheberach list, please contact Antoinette (Toni) Nuñez at **773-868-5120** or anunez@ansheemet.org. Names will be kept on the Mi Sheberach list for two weeks only unless otherwise specified.

Condolences

It is with deep regret to inform you of the recent passing of Thomas I. Klein, 85, beloved husband of 59 years to Linda Zuckerman Klein; cherished father of Katherine (Peter) Bresler, **Elizabeth (Stephen) Brodsky**, and Jonathan (Gretchen Goldberg) Klein. Proud grandfather of Alexander Bresler, Abigail Bresler, **Matthew Brodsky**, **Joshua Brodsky**, Nathan Klein, and Charles Klein. Devoted son of the late Dr. Alexander and the late Charlotte Klein. Loving brother of James (Heide) Klein and Dr. Richard (Muggsy) Klein.

The Anshe Emet community extends its deepest condolences to the family during this difficult time. May they be comforted among the mourners in Zion and Jerusalem. Amen.



On-Line Bereavement Group Supporting our community in times of loss.

July 27 • 7:30pm • Anshe Emet

Please join us, every fourth Monday of the month, for our [online](#) support group for adults who have experienced the death of a loved one within the past two years. **Meeting ID: 170 885 666** | **Contact Tamar Brooks for Zoom Password: tbrooks@ansheemet.org**

HaZaK • Mondays at 1pm

HaZaK is an Anshe Emet daytime program for mature adults with active minds. Co-taught by our clergy and other community educators, this year HaZaK is focusing on Jewish Ethics with the Melton curriculum "Ethics of Jewish Living." Generously funded by Beatrice Mayer, z"l.

MONDAY, JULY 20 • RABBI DAVID RUSSO

Visit ansheemet.org/zoom to join | **Meeting ID: 663 098 957**

Contact Cantor Liz Berke for Zoom password

and more information at eberke@ansheemet.org



TROPE TALK!

**Hello Anshe Emet 5th and 6th Graders
(and Parents)!**

Has the Summer Pandemic got you down? Are you bored much? Bar/Bat Mitzvah on your mind? Fear not! Naomi Weiss-Weil is going to teach a low-key, hang-out-style class, via Zoom, in which we can all talk trope! Naomi will teach you the basics of trope, so it seems less scary, and even a little fun! We can also do some review of Hebrew reading and prayers that you will need to know.

[Learn more here](#)

TORAH READING PAGE NUMBERS IN ETZ HAYIM

NUMBERS Chapters 30-36

1st Aliyah: p.941, 30:2-30:9

2nd Aliyah: p. 942, 30:10-30:13

3rd Aliyah: p. 943, 30:14-30:17

4th Aliyah: p. 943, 31:1-31:8

5th Aliyah: p. 945, 31:9-31:12

6th Aliyah: p. 945, 31:13-31:20

7th Aliyah: p. 967, 31:21-31:24

Maftir: Numbers p. 967, 36:11-36:13

Haftarah: p. 973, Jeremiah 2:4-2:28;3:4

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ANSHE EMET?



THE PEN & THE YAD PODCAST FEATURING RABBI MICHAEL SIEGEL & JONATHAN EIG

Matot-Masei:

Our Choice to Live in the Diaspora: A Response to Moses and Herzl

Listen at: [Ansheemet.org/thepenandtheyad](https://ansheemet.org/thepenandtheyad)



HAVDALLAH SATURDAY, JULY 18 • 9:30PM

This service, led by Rabbi David Russo and Naomi Weiss-Weil, is open to the community and can be accessed [here](#).

Meeting ID: 160 211 603



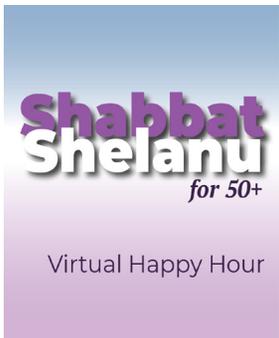
BIKE RIDE 2020 SUNDAY, JULY 19 • 9AM

Join AES members as we take advantage of nicer weather with an outdoor activity—a social bike ride!

There will be two planned routes with a variation on distance. Sign up for either ride, but you must register in advance. Volunteer leaders will be biking with each group.

We will all meet at the Anshe Emet Synagogue parking lot. Start time will be 9am with a staggered start if groups are more than 10, which is why registration is required. Masks will also be required.

[Learn more and join here](#)



SHABBAT SHELANU'S VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR FRIDAY, JULY 24 • 5PM

Join our over 50 crowd with your own glass of wine for a fun evening of socializing with friends, virtually, using small breakout rooms for easy conversation.

[Learn more and join here](#)



THE JERUSALEM CYCLE: THE ETERNAL RISE, FALL AND EXILE OF THE CITY THURSDAY, JULY 30 • 1PM

Our virtual Tour continues with Josh Hartuv and Rabbi David Russo. The story of Jerusalem is that of a city of glorious periods of prominence and fame combined with infamous violent destructions. From King David to Rome, this tour will look at the waves of this pattern over the city's first millennium.

Using the commemoration of Tisha B'Av as our lens, we will also look at the impact of exile on all of these destructions: what were their coping mechanisms, where did they go, and how did they remain proud of their identity?

[Learn more and join here](#)



YOUNG FAMILY VIRTUAL FIRST FRIDAY DINNER AND SHABBAT SERVICE FRIDAY, AUGUST 7 • 5:45PM

It won't surprise you that this First Friday will be a little different than the First Friday Family Service and Dinners we've had in the past.

[Click here](#) to learn what's different and what remains the same.

We can't wait to celebrate Shabbat with you and the Anshe Emet Young Family community!



Tisha B'Av

Learn about all of our virtual programs lined up for Tisha B'Av and all of our service opportunities. [Click here](#)