ANSHE EMET May 29, 2021 • 18 Sivan 5781 SYNAGOGUE Beha'alotcha

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IMPORTANT NOTICE: COVID VACCINE RESOURCES



SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY AS WE FACE ANTI-SEMITISM THIS TUEDSAY, JUNE 1 AT 7PM

The situation in Israel these past couple of weeks has been scary and challenging on a number of levels. We at Anshe Emet have especially been hearing concerns about anti-Semitism—in schools, communities, on social media, and beyond.

Please join a conversation on Tuesday, June 1, at 7PM via Zoom for parents and teenagers (middle schoolers and high

schoolers) with **Rabbi Michael Siegel**, **Lonnie Nasatir** (President of the Jewish United Fund), **Rabbi Russo**, and **Samantha Isenstein** (Anshe Emet's Director of Adolescent Education). We will begin all together, and then break off into groups for parents and for teens.

At 8PM, the <u>entire community</u> will be invited to join a conversation with Rabbi Siegel and Lonnie Nasatir.

Register here.

Transliteration of the Prayer for the State of Israel:

Avinu sheh-bashamayim, tsur Yisrael v'goalo, bareikh et m'dinat Yisrael reishit ts'michat g'ulateinu. Hagein aleha b'evrat chasdekha ufros aleha sukat 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 nitsachon t'at'reim. V'natata shalom ba'arets v'simchat olam l'yosh'veha, v'nomar: Amen.



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Beha'alotcha

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 Emeritus, Arnold H. Kaplan M.D. Cantorial Chair

David Russo • Rabbi

D'ror Chankin-Gould • Rabbi

Elizabeth Berke • Interim Hazzan

Naomi Weiss-Weil • Ritual Director

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Parsha Summary

Beha'alotcha · In Your Lighting Numbers 8:1-12:16

Once God speaks to Moses from the Holy of Holies, Moses receives the final instructions about the menorah and its operation.

The parashah then discusses the purification of the Levites, who are charged with building and dismantling the Tabernacle, but must be in a state of tohorah (purity) to do so. Those Levites older than age thirty were inducted into this sacred labor. An additional task given to the Levites is to serve Aaron and his sons. Finally, the Book of Numbers establishes an age limit of fifty for active duty, after which the Levite may still perform guard duty.

Two years after their departure from Egypt, the Israelites prepare to move on from the wilderness of Sinai. Once again, they offer the Pesach sacrifice, but some of the men were in a state of tumah (ritual impurity), and could not participate. God authorizes a second Passover offering, one month later, for those who were tamei (impure) during the first one. Non-Israelites are explicitly permitted to offer a paschal sacrifice.

Once the Tabernacle is built, a cloud hovers over it by day, and it looks like fire by night. It moves as a sign that God wants the Israelites to proceed, so they march whenever the cloud moves forward, and they camp whenever the cloud settles down.

God then instructs Moses about the trumpets, final preparations before the Israelites march. They are to be used to mobilize the people for marching, to call out the soldiers in defense of Israel, "that you may be remembered before the Lord your God and be delivered from your enemies." And the trumpets blow for Israel's festivals and new moons, as "a reminder of you before your God."

The Israelites now resume their march, from Sinai toward Jordan. Moses invites his father-in-law (here referred to as Hobab) to join them as their guide through the wilderness. The ark guides them as they journey.

Unfortunately, the people begin to complain; first at Taberah, where a fire breaks out amidst the people; then at Kibroth-Hattaavah, where they cry out for meat. God is furious at them, and Moses feels the full burden of his leadership, so God agrees to divide his load among seventy elders. God also agrees to provide the people with meat, although Moses expresses doubt that God will be able to feed so many. God's spirit rests on the seventy elders, who speak in ecstasy whenever God's spirit rests on them, even on Eldad and Medad, who aren't physically near the other elders. Moses is delighted. "Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, that the Lord put His spirit upon them!" God provides the people with quail until they feel sick. The parashah closes with Miriam and Aaron complaining about Moses because he married a Cushite woman. They claim that God also speaks through them, and God gathers them together and asserts the uniqueness of Moses. Miriam is afflicted with white scales, and Moses offers the Bible's shortest prayer on her behalf: "El na refana la, God, please heal her." After seven days Miriam is restored, and the people set out from Hazerot to the wildness of Paran.

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.

Robert Baruch Pesach Bebczuk Leona E. Beermann Rose Bernstein Bess Busch Lazarus David Caplan Ida Datz Beatrice Edelberg Meyer Edoff Martin S. Engel Jack Fisher Mayer Friedman Hilda Gary Svlvia Gethner Mina Ann Gillers, MD Marvin Glasser Louis Goldfarb Nettie Goltz Morris Gordon Ruth Grauer Bonnie Grelecki Howard Grosky Mary Herstein Louis S. Horwitch Kaila Itzkowitz David Kaplan Anna Kaplin Ben Keller Sam Kharasch Judy Koster

Donald Kulwin

Paula Lavender Sara Leavitt Benjamin Leifer Hvman Lerner Isadore Jacob Levee Rosalind Levin Edward Levine Audrey Levinthal Silver Louis Levitetz Lucia Levy Gertrude Logan Robert Malkin Henry Mayer Abram Medon Rochelle M. Mich. Daniel Natovitch Steven Paolucci Minnie Pearson George Rosenkranz Nathan Rosenstone Rose Sharf Osher Shtofer Alice Siegal Alexander J. Singer Alexander Smolovsky Bertha Solomon June Toby Witkov **Fdith Walder** Theodore Wasserman David Weiss

Meyer Wittert

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 we inform you of the recent passing of Hal Chaitkin, age 104. Preceded in death by his beloved wife of 64 years, Natalie. Survived by his sons, Mark (Cecilia Storr), Stuart (Maria Merritt) and George (Millie Wolkowicz); grand-children, **Jennifer (Max) Puchtel**, Betsy (Joel) Wertheim, Michael (Eva Noble); and great-grandchildren, **Eli, Mira** and **Hannah Puchtel**, and Naomi and Maya Wertheim.

The Anshe Emet community extends its deepest condolences to Jennifer, Max, Eli, Mira, Hannah and the entire Chaitkin/Puchtel families at this difficult time. May you all be comforted among the mourners in Zion and Jerusalem. Amen.

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, MAY 31 · NO HAZAK DUE TO MEMORIAL DAY

Visit ansheemet.org/livestream to join | Meeting ID: 822 3547 8843 Contact Cantor Liz Berke for Zoom password and more information at eberke@ansheemet.org



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

June 28 · 7:30pm · Via Zoom

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

TORAH READING PAGE NUMBERS IN ETZ HAYIM

NUMBERS Chapters 9-12

1st Aliyah: p. 821, 9:15-9:18 2nd Aliyah: p. 822, 9:19-9:23

3rd **Aliyah:** p. 822, 10:1-10:7

3" Allyan: p. 822, 10:1-10:7

4th Aliyah: p. 823, 10:8-10:10 **5th Aliyah:** p. 823, 10:11-10:20

6th Aliyah: p. 824, 10:21-10:28

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Haftarah: p. 837, Zechariah 2:14-4:7

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ANSHE EMET?

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

Parsha Beha'alotcha:

The Challenge of a Selective Memory Listen at: Ansheemet.org/podcasts



FILM DISCUSSION: SHARED LEGACIES: THE AFRICAN AMERICAN-JEWISH CIVIL RIGHTS **ALLIANCE THURSDAY, JUNE 3 AT 7PM**

This film chronicles the coalition between Black and Jewish Americans before, during, and after the Civil Rights movement.

Panel discussion includes:

Rabbi Michael Siegel, Anshe Emet Synagogue Pastor Chris Harris, Bright Star Community Outreach

Dr. Susannah Heschel, The Eli M. Black Distinguished Professor of Jewish Studies at Dartmouth College, author and daughter of Abraham Joshua Heschel

Screening Available: Tuesday, June 1-June 3 at Noon.

Panel Discussion: Thursday, June 3 at 7PM.

Screening link will be provided to those who have registered.

Click here to register.



ISRAEL AFTER THE CEASEFIRE WITH SPECIAL GUESTS. **AMIR TIBON & THAIR ABU RAS SUNDAY, JUNE 6 AT 10AM**

Join Anshe Emet as we welcome Ha'aretz journalist Amir Tibon and Thair Abu Ras, an Israeli Arab, in a discussion of Israel, post ceasefire. Where are we now, where are we going?

Learn more and register here.



A DIALOGUE ON HESCHEL WITH RABBI MICHAEL SIEGEL & RABBI SHAI HELD **TUESDAY, JUNE 22 AT 7PM**

The series on God in Search of Man concluded, we now join in a final dialogue between Rabbi Siegel and Rabbi Shai Held, author of the book, Abraham Joshua Heschel: The Call To Transcendence

Rabbi Shai Held—theologian, scholar, and educator-is President, Dean, and Chair in Jewish Thought at Machon Hadar in New York. Shai has

a PhD in religion from Harvard; his main academic interests are in modern Jewish and Christian thought and in the history of Zionism.

Click here to register here.



SHABBAT CHAVAYAH

FRIDAYS AT 6PM

Join us on our Live Stream page, we will share a warm Kabbalat Shabbat service that includes special guests, great music and congregant participation!

Spend Friday evening with your Anshe Emet Family!

Want to participate? Have feedback to share? Email Mimi Weisberg at mweisberg@ansheemet.org.