

# ANSHE EMET SYNAGOGUE

June 26, 2021 • 16 Tammuz 5781

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to view our service.

## B'ruchim Habaim Welcome Back ברוכים הבאים



WATCH YOUR MAIL FOR YOUR 2021-2022

## RENEWAL INFORMATION!

Renew your membership or join today!

If you have any questions during the renewal process,  
contact Amy Karp at

**773.868.5139** or [akarp@ansheemet.org](mailto:akarp@ansheemet.org).

## THE ANSHE EMET CARING COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

We are looking for two to three volunteers  
to make regular, friendly visits with homebound members of our  
community who live near the synagogue. If you are available and  
interested or simply would like more information about the visits,  
please contact **Julie Ann Sklaver** at [ja7sklaver@gmail.com](mailto:ja7sklaver@gmail.com).

### 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  
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 erez 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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## 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

**Art Friedson** • President

**Boni Fine** • Executive Director

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# Parsha Summary

Balak • Balak

Numbers 22:2 - 25:9

Balak, the king of Moab, seeks to hire Balaam, a soothsayer of great repute, to curse the Israelites so he can defeat them. When the elders offer this invitation to Balaam, he tells them to wait so he can inquire as to God's wishes. God tells him not to go with the Moabites, nor to curse the Israelites, since they are a blessed people. The dignitaries return to Balak, who sends another delegation. Once more, Balaam inquires of God, and God permits Balaam to go with them, but insists that "whatever I command you, that you shall do."

Balaam saddles his donkey and proceeds. But God is furious at Balaam and sends an angel with a drawn sword. The donkey sees the angel and swerves from the path, but Balaam beats it to force it to return. This happens again and again, until God causes the donkey to speak, berating Balaam for his lack of gratitude or vision. Then God allows him to see the threatening angel.

When Balaam arrives, he tells Balak, "I can utter only the words that God puts into my mouth." They make a sacrifice, and then Balak leads Balaam to a place where he can see some of the Israelite encampment. Balaam builds seven altars and offers seven bulls and rams. God tells Balaam what to say. This is a blessing that includes the famous description of the Jews: "There is a people that dwells apart, Not reckoned among the nations... May I die the death of the upright, May my fate be like theirs!"

Balak is distraught that the seer he hoped would curse the Israelites blessed them instead, so he tries again from another locale. A similar message emerges: "The Lord their God is with them, and King's acclaim in their midst."

Balak attempts a third oracle, which offers the blessing, "How fair are your tents, O Jacob, Your dwellings, O Israel!" At this final blessing, Balak sends Balaam back to his home. Before leaving, Balaam offers a fourth oracle, unrequested, predicting Israel's victory against the enemy nations that surround it. He then returns home.

While encamped at Shittim, the Israelite men are enticed by Moabite women to participate in the idolatrous cult of Baal-Peor. As a result, a plague erupts among the Israelites, and God commands Moses to impale the leaders of the rebellion. Before he has a chance to carry out God's grim decree, however, the priest Pinchas finds an Israelite man and a Moabite woman copulating near the sanctuary. Zealous on God's behalf, he impales the two with a spear during their copulation, and his action stops the plague.

**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.***

Marshall Abraham  
Irving Altman  
Jerome David Amromin  
Michael A. Atz  
Sylvia Balik  
Lily Baum  
Joseph Bayer  
Dolores Beck  
Elizabeth Borovsky  
Ruth Bressler  
Sam Briskman  
Harry Cohn  
Marvin Cohn  
Reba Eckstein  
Pinchas Ejlenberg  
Michael Evans  
Tillie Fagan  
Phillip H. Feigen  
Anita Fishman  
Max Fox  
Matilda Frank  
Samuel R. Futransky  
Bernard Ginsburg  
Elayne Gish  
Sylvia Glenn  
Barbara Goldberg  
Frieda Goldman  
Harold Goltz  
Joel Goodman  
Molly Wolkow Halper  
Carl M. Halperin  
Leslie Hershkowitz  
Elaine Holzman  
Pinchus Joffe  
Eleanor L. Kanter  
Eva Kaplan

Gilbert J. Katz  
David M. Keller  
Carol Kohn  
Blanche Kraut  
Diane Krosnick  
Rebecca Kurtzman  
Merton Landan  
Howard Levin  
Sarah Levin  
Ida P. Levinson  
Fred James Loebmann  
Israel Melamed  
Louis Perlman  
Ivan Pigan  
Sarah Prohov  
Sarah Pruskauer  
Yossel Pulik  
Frank Raisher  
Ellie Pearl Rinkov  
Samuel Ritholz  
Samuel H. Rosenblum  
Lu Sallerson  
Stewart Schencker  
Esther Pohn Schwartz  
Fanny Shapiro  
Helen Sherman  
Shepso Shoihet  
Rose Silk  
Louis Silk  
Bertha Silkowitz  
Louis Spector  
Ruth Stangle  
Chana Tenenbaum  
Abraham Yelen  
Evette Zells

## 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](mailto:anunez@ansheemet.org). Names will be kept on the Mi Sheberach list for two weeks only unless otherwise specified.

## Ben Rosenstein z"l Unveiling at Waldheim Cemetery

**June 27 at 1PM**

Please help us show respect for **Ben Rosenstein z"l** as we unveil the headstone he was denied.

The Anshe Emet community raised money through a GoFundMe campaign after learning of Ben from Noam Sienna, our Pride 2019 Scholar-in-Residence. The unveiling of the headstone was delayed due to the pandemic.

**Rabbi D'ror Chankin-Gould** and **Cantor Elizabeth Berke** will officiate at the unveiling at Waldheim Cemetery at 1PM on Sunday, June 27, a special honor during Pride Month.

**For those who can not attend in person, this service will also be available via Zoom:**

[Click here for service](#)

Meeting ID: 854 6336 9654

Passcode: 447493



## 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, JUNE 28 • RABBI DAVID RUSSO**

Visit [ansheemet.org/livestream](https://ansheemet.org/livestream) to join | **Meeting ID: 822 3547 8843**

**Contact Cantor Liz Berke for Zoom password**  
and more information at [eberke@ansheemet.org](mailto: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](mailto:tbrooks@ansheemet.org)**

## TORAH READING PAGE NUMBERS IN ETZ HAYIM

**NUMBERS Chapter 22**

**1<sup>st</sup> Aliyah:** p. 894, 22:2-22:4

**2<sup>nd</sup> Aliyah:** p. 894, 22:5-22:7

**3<sup>rd</sup> Aliyah:** p. 895, 22:8-22:12

**4<sup>th</sup> Aliyah:** p. 895, 22:13-22:20

**5<sup>th</sup> Aliyah:** p. 896, 22:21-22:27

**6<sup>th</sup> Aliyah:** p. 897, 22:28-22:30

**7<sup>th</sup> Aliyah:** p. 898, 22:31-22:38

**Maftir:** p. 908, 25:7-25:9

**Haftarah:** p. 915, Micah 5:6-6:8

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ANSHE EMET?

Learn about more programs at [www.ansheemet.org/events](http://www.ansheemet.org/events)



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

#### Parsha Balak:

How is a Culture and  
a Tradition Passed Down?

Listen at: [Ansheemet.org/podcasts](http://Ansheemet.org/podcasts)



### SHIREINU: ANSHE EMET CHOIR

Anyone who is interested in singing and having some fun, you are invited to join our weekly choir session, **every Thursday at 5:15pm.**

[Learn more here](#)



### ICE CREAM WITH THE ANSHE EMET TEAM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30  
5:30PM - 6:30PM

Join us for dessert in our parking lot with an old fashioned Good Humor Truck!

Enjoy this time to cool down, relax and schmooze with your AES friends.

**No RSVP required.**  
**We hope to see you there!**

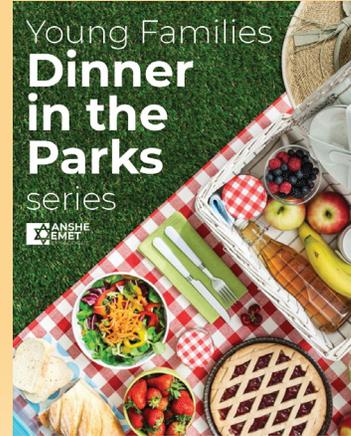


### WINE, WOMEN & WALKING WITH GOD SERIES: REBBE NACHMAN OF BRESLOV IN CONTEXT

WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 30,  
JULY 7 & 14  
7PM

During our three sessions, we will get acquainted with R' Nachman's lessons in his main work, Likutei Moharan, as well as lesser known Breslov sources. **Sabrina Burger**, a long time student of R' Nachman, leads this program.

[Learn more and register here](#)



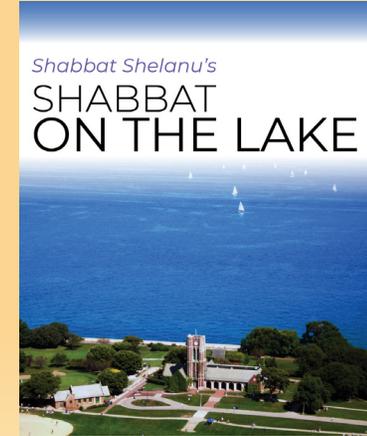
### YOUNG FAMILIES DINNER IN THE PARKS SERIES

BEGINS THURSDAY, JULY 1  
AT 5:30PM

BYO Picnic dinner and join Max Handelman and other Anshe Emet Families with kids infant to 4 years for dinner and playtime in a local park. Dinner in the Parks with Anshe Emet Young Families is free.

**Space is limited!**

[Learn more and register here](#)



### Shabbat Shelanu's SHABBAT ON THE LAKE

FRIDAY, JULY 16  
AT 6PM

Join us for a beautiful Shabbat experience on the lakefront, followed by a catered Shabbat dinner back at Shul!

**\$20 Fee.**

[Learn more and register here](#)