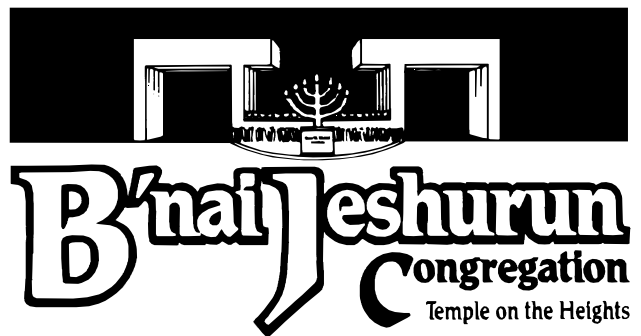


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Parashat Chukat

June 30/July 1, 2017 - 7 Tammuz 5777

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Revi'i	654	882	19:14 - 19:17
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Shishi	655	883	20:1 - 20:6
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Thank you to our Torah readers: Joseph Zomber, Hailey Weisberg, Sherry Miller, Ivan Platt, Deborah Ornstein and Adam Miller. Thank you to Hailey Weisberg for chanting the Haftarah.

DAILY MINYAN

MONDAY - THURSDAY 7:00 am & 7:30 am & 6:00 pm

FRIDAY 7:00 am & 7:30 am & 7:00 pm (unless otherwise noted)

SATURDAY 9:00 am & 6:00 pm

SUNDAY & HOLIDAYS 8:00 am & 6:00 pm

Your presence adds to the joy of our service!

The flowers on the bima are a gift from the parents of Hailey Weisberg in honor of her Bat Mitzvah.



FRIDAY

Thank you to our Board member on the bima, Cindy Herman and to our greeters, Andrea & Aaron Canowitz.

Following the Benediction, please join us for oneg, sponsored by the Officers and Board of Trustees.



SATURDAY

Our Starbucks, Bread & Torah teacher this week is Rabbi Paula Rose. Thank you to Abraham Kay for preparing the refreshments.

Thank you to the women who prepare the kiddush refreshments: Fay Blumenthal, Tova Cohen, Lynn Katz Danzig, Ruth Dobres, Faith Eisenberg, Laura Katzner, Harriet Mann, Rachel Schwarz, Cheryl Spira, Nancy Tresser Lipko and Pnina Wiesel.

Thank you to our Board member on the bima, Michelle Goldstein and our ushers: David Cohen, Maury Greenstein, Dan Jacobs, Harriet Rosenberg Mann and Henrik Sperling.

Today's Torah portion, Chukat, was dedicated in the New Torah Scroll by Cari & Gary Gross in honor of Emily Gross's birthday.

Following the Benediction, please join us for kiddush and a congregational luncheon in **Rosenthal Auditorium**, sponsored by Ilana & Matt Weisberg in honor of their daughter's Bat Mitzvah.



Mazal tov to Hailey Michelle Weisberg on celebrating becoming a Bat Mitzvah, and to her parents Ilana & Matt, sister Bethany, grandparents Myta & Barry Weisberg and Pauline Horn and great-grandmother Mania Horn.

We remember with love Hailey's grandfather Marvin Horn^{ב"ר}.

For her Mitzvah Project, Hailey is volunteering with Smiles with Style.



Red Cross Blood Drive
Wednesday, July 5 • 11 am – 4 pm
Sponsored by Men's Club. No reservation needed.

Dedication of New Prayerbooks • Shabbat , July 8 • 9 am

Join us as we dedicate our new *Siddur Lev Shalem* prayerbooks, a generous gift from Bob & Terry Zimmerman. During the service and at a post-kiddush study session, we will have the opportunity to study the new *siddur* and learn more about how it can enhance our prayer experience.

If you dedicated a Sim Shalom prayerbook, you are welcome to look for it and take it home with you as a memento. The books will be donated elsewhere.

ATID

B'nai Jehsurun's 20s & 30s group

**BBQ Picnic in the Park • Squire's Castle
Sunday, July 16 • 5 pm**

We will provide all of the kosher hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers, sides and desserts. Bring your own drinks (no alcohol!), frisbees and games and get ready to have a fun evening! \$8 per person. Register by July 12 at bnaijeshurun.formstack.com/forms/picnic so we can have food for all.

Contact Shani Kadis to learn more. Squire's Castle is located in the North Chagrin Reservation, 2880 Hayes Dr., Willoughby Hills, 44094.



**Shabbat Dinner Sponsored by Sisterhood • 5:30 pm
Make Your Own Slime • 6:30 pm
Shabbat Rocks! • 7:00 pm
Friday, July 21**

Enjoy a live band playing some of today's most upbeat Jewish music. You will find yourself tapping your toes, clapping your hands and dancing to these contemporary melodies. Multiple musical genres are woven through the service, highlighting text from each of the Psalms, which creates an energizing and engaging service. A special prayer book has been created to offer Hebrew, transliteration and English to make this service user friendly. Listen to and download tracks from our website. Services will be held in the Linden Family Courtyard, weather permitting. Oneg sponsored by Sisterhood.

Sisterhood is sponsoring a Shabbat dinner before Shabbat Rocks! Open to all; cost is \$10/adult, \$6/child under 12. RSVP by July 17 to the synagogue office, attn. Sisterhood (make checks payable to BJC Sisterhood). Please specify any dietary restrictions.

Kids can join in on the newest craze - make your own slime! We will provide the materials and recipe. Make a container of slime to take home, and stay for Shabbat Rocks! Free; RSVP requested to Julie Sukert.

Last Shabbat Rocks! of the season: August 18.

Is Halakhah Binding No Matter What? by *Rabbi Joel Roth, Louis Finkelstein Professor of Talmud and Jewish Law, the Jewish Theological Seminary, and Rosh Yeshiva of the Conservative Yeshiva, Jerusalem.*

The beginning of this week's *parashah* presents the description of the red heifer ritual. In a nutshell, a perfectly unblemished red heifer must be killed, certain rituals performed with it, and its body burned to ashes. Those involved in the preparation of these ashes become ritually impure. The ashes, however, are mixed with water and sprinkled on those who have become impure through contact with the dead in order to render them pure again. The strangeness of the whole procedure did not escape the attention of the sages.

A passage in Midrash Tanhuma has Rabban Yohanan ben Zakkai explaining the ritual to a non-Jew in a very "magical" way. His students then say to him: "You may explain it that way to him, but what do you say to us?" He answers: "The dead body does not literally make impure, and the water with the ashes does not literally effect purity. Rather, it is the decree of the King of Kings. The Holy One, blessed be He, said: *Hukkah hakkakti* (I have made a decree), I have issued an edict, and you may not violate My edict."

In the halakhic system a *hok* is understood to refer to a law of the Torah the logical underpinnings of which and the reasoning behind which are cryptic, unclear, or unknown. The name of our *parashah* means "the *hok* of," and the *midrash* above clearly supports the claim that the red heifer ritual is a *hok* - cryptic and unclear.

The fact that some of the commands/laws/*mitzvot* of the Torah are not easy to understand has never stopped rabbinic scholars and leaders from attempting to understand them. Indeed, there is a whole genre of rabbinic literature called *Ta'amei haMitzvot* (the reasons of the *mitzvot*) which is devoted to seeking to understand what motivated the Commander to command the specific *mitzvot*. BUT, as is the case with all legal systems, especially those in which the ultimate basis of authority is perceived to be God, the "commandedness" of the commands is NOT determined by the ability of the commanded to understand them or to agree with them. The ultimate basis of their authority is that they are mandated by the legal system to which the commanded are bound. As an American citizen, I am bound by the legal mandate of the American legal system to act in accordance with the law that the president must be native-born, whether I understand it or agree with it.

The Jewish legal system, *halakhah*, is no different. It is a legal system which the classical/rabbinic Jewish tradition has defined and accepted as binding upon Jews. That premise is no less true of the Conservative Movement than of Orthodoxy. The Conservative Movement, regrettably, has not done a very good job at educating its constituents to understanding this premise or to accepting it. The premise, however, has been an essential part of Conservative Judaism since its founding.

MISHABERAH

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YITZHAK MICHAEL BEN DINAH
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ELI CHAIM BEN MINNA YITTA
BEN-TZION PESACH BEN
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ZELIG BEN DOROTHY
DAVID BEN MICHAEL HAKOHEN
DINA RIVKA BAT LEAH
GITTEL CHANA BAT ESTHER
MASHA TSIRIL BAT BASHA
SHANDEL BRACHA BAT ESTHER
DYLAN CHAIM BEN PESIA HINDA
AVIGAYIL BAT HADAR MIRIAM
HADAR MIRIAM BAT ESTHER
ADINA BAT SARAH
YAKOV BEN MIRIAM
RONI BEN RACHEL
TOVA ELKA BAT RAISEL MALKA
RAISEL MALKA BAT FREDA
TOVA BAT SARAH GITTEL
MOSHE BEN ZELDA
MICHAL VERED TOVA BAT SARAH GILA
SARAH GILA BAT LEAH
PINHAS SIMCHA BEN PNINA
ADIN RONEN BEN SARAH GILA
YONIT ABRA BAT HAYA
HAYA TZIPPORAH BAT ITTA
YAKOV ELIJAHU BEN GALIA
DONNA ROSEN
MASHA BAT HEINCHA
ZEV TZVI BEN SARAH MALKA
MEIR BEN SHLOIMO HA'LEVI
AVRUM REUVAIN BEN NAOMI
MORDECHAI DOVID BEN LEAH
MIMI DORF
PEREL BAT YENTA
YAKOV BEN SARA
DANIEL BEN LEAH
ZELDA BRACHA BAT MINA
TZIPPA ZEISEL BAT MIRIAM
HENNACH BEN ETEL
SURA TOBA BAT JOSEF ZWI
ZALMAN SHMUEL DOV BEN
RUVENA SHIFRA
BRACHA BAT SIMA
KETURAH BAT SARAH
MESHELEM BEN RACHEL

NOACH YA'ARI BEN SARAH
YEHUDIT BAT SARAH
ADIRA BAT RUCHEL
GERSHON BEN RITA
MINAH MINDEL BAT PESAH MALKA
MASAHIRO UENO
CHANNA EETA BAT FIVAL
SARA CHAYA BAT DEVORAH
AVRAHAM BEN SARAH
SIMCHA MELECH BEN SORA
PEREL SARAH BAT DVORAH
MALKA BAT BATYA
AVRAHAM BEN CHAIM HA'LEVI
EZRA SHAMIR BEN SIMCHA
RACHEL LEAH BAT DEVORAH
MORDECHAI BEN MIRIAM
AIYELA RACHEL BAT SHIFRA
REUVEN BEN ADELINE
LEAH BAT ETYE
PHIL APRUZZI
MICHAEL LUBLINE
SHOSHANA BATYA BAT
YEHUDIT DEVORAH
MALKA BAT RAISA
MORT YUSSEL BEN RIVKA
DANYA MICHEL BAT CARI
HANA RUCHEL BAT FAIGEL
SHAINA LIEBE BAT CHAVA MIRYAM
ZLATE FEIGA BAT CHAYA
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HAYA SORA BAT LEAH
EFRAIM ZEV BEN ZELDA
LIBBY GOLDIE BAT SHAINA MALKA
CHANA MINCHA BAT CHAYA
YEHUDIT BAT LIBA
Yael BAT ESTHER
MORDECHAI BEN YENTEL
ELIEZER BEN SARAH
SHLOMO FEIVEL BEN KAYLA
HAYA BAT BRACHA
RACHMIEL BEN DORIT
RIVKA BAT FRAYDA
DAVID SHIMON BEN RENAH
MIRIAM FAGEL BAT HAYA LEAH
LEIBUSH BEN SHPRINTZE LEAH

CHANA RUCHEL BAT FRUMA BATYA
 YEHUDIT BAT SULTANA
 SARAH BAT ROIZA
 MARIE BAT MARIE
 YEHUDIT BAT BUNNY RAZEL
 MIRIAM ESTHER BAT MALKA LIBA
 TZVI MORDECHAI BEN RIFKA PEREL
 ISSER BEN PESHA GITTEL
 BOB ALTMIRE
 ARIELLA CHANA BAT SARAH
 HARAV YITZHAK MICHAEL BEN DINA
 YAAKOV AMIEL BEN CHANA SHANA
 MELECH BEN RACHEL
 HERSH TZVI BEN MINAH
 BILHAH BAT MIRIAM
 ELLEN DOUGLAS
 AARON ELI BEN TOIBA LEAH
 HANNAH BAT DVORAH
 YAKOV BEN MURIEL
 SUSAN BRILL
 BROOKE BRACHA BAT RISA
 BINYAMIN BEN MICHAEL
 NACHUM AHARON BEN SHOSHANA
 HONEY BROUMAN
 YOSEPH BEN PIE-YEE
 DINAH BAT YOSSEL BEREL
 BRACHA BAT RACHMIELA
 SHLOMO BEN GOLDA
 JEHOSHUA BEN TEREZA
 SARA ELKA BAT IDA
 YAKOV BEN BERNACE
 MICHAEL BEN BEVERLY

May He who blessed our ancestors and is the source of all healing bless and heal those who are ill. May the Holy One Praised Be He mercifully restore them to vigor and lift the burden of anxiety from their loved ones and friends.

On this (Sabbath, Festival, Judgment or Penitence) day we pray that they be spared further pain. May God grant them health of body and health of spirit and mind. May we speedily be privileged to greet their return to good health by welcoming them once again into our midst. Let us say: Amen.

Anyone wanting to add a name to the list should contact Diane Shalom (216-831-6555 ext. 104 or dianeshalom@bnaijeshurun.org) by Thursday afternoon at the latest for inclusion in that Shabbat's program. We will also pause during the prayer for people to recite additional names from their seats.

Tee it up at B'nai Jeshurun's 6th Annual Golf Outing

Monday, July 10

(Rain Date - Monday, July 17)

Punderson State Park Golf Course



FOOD • FUN • FRIENDS • RAFFLES • PRIZES
WIN A ROLEX WATCH FOR A HOLE IN ONE
 (donated by Alson Jewelers)

8:30 am - Arrive
 9:00 am - Scramble Start
 1:00 pm - Lunch, Awards & Raffle
 \$40 by June 23 | \$50 after June 23

Includes: Kosher Boxed Lunch by KANTINA
 18 holes of Golf & Cart, Contests & Prizes
 Register online: bnaijeshurun.org/golfouting2017

Contact Julie Berman to learn more.

What's Coming Up

Tuesdays 10:30 am Torah Study with Susan Wyner
Thursdays 12:15 pm Lunch & Learn (Commerce Park IV)
Fridays 10:15 am Kinder Shabbat & Open Playroom
Saturdays 9:00 am Starbucks, Bread & Torah

Saturday, July 1

9:00 am Service; Hailey Weisberg Bat Mitzvah

Monday, July 3 - office closed

Tuesday, July 4 - Independence Day; office closed

Wednesday, July 5

11:00 am - 4:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive

Friday, July 7

7:00 pm Service; Birthday Shabbat

Saturday, July 8

9:00 am Service; Dedication of New Prayerbooks;
Milgrom baby naming

12:30 pm Study Session for New Prayerbooks

Monday, July 10

9:00 am Golf Outing

Tuesday, July 11 - Fast of Tammuz

Thursday, July 13

7:15 am Chautauqua Trip with Women's Rosh Hodesh Group

7:30 pm Board of Trustees Meeting

Friday, July 14

7:00 pm Service

Saturday, July 15

9:00 am Service; Michelle Rood & Scott Gearity Aufruf

Sunday, July 16

9:30 am Chesed @Kosher Food Pantry

5:00 pm Atid BBQ Picnic in the Park

Friday, July 21

5:30 pm Sisterhood Congregational Shabbat Dinner

6:30 pm Fun with Slime for Kids

7:00 pm Shabbat Rocks! service; Anniversary Shabbat

Saturday, July 22

9:00 am Service

Condolences to:

Steven Viny & family on the death of his mother, our member, Ruth Viny
Marc Brower, Matt Brower & families on the death of their father and
grandfather, Howard Brower
Chuck Whitehill & family on the death of his mother, June Whitehill

Yahrzeits: July 1 - 7, 2017

Endre Adler	Ida Lee Gouldon	Julia Oscar
Lewis H. Altman	David Greenberg	Anclaire Sharf Oscar
Beth Ames	Ella Greenhut	Minnie Pasternak
Rose Arian	Rose Greenland	Albert Platt
Irving Barazone	Pearl A. Gross	Betty G. Poger
Gerald Mark Bickart	Beverly Grunwald	Sam Pollack
Isadore Bluman	Howard N. Halpert	Abraham Polster
Alice Bodzin	Samuel Hauptman	Shirley Eagles Rand
Irving Chapman	Don Hermann	Dr. Martin I. Resnick
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Norman Cohen	Bruce Hoffman	Ida Rothenberg
Morton A. Cohen	Morris Jacob Horwitz	Abraham Rudnick
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Loretta Ehrenwerth	Samuel Klein	Carol Sokolov
Arlyne Eisenberg	Lena Kohn	Jack Solomon
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Mark Barry Goldner	Sigmund Mesuse	Philip Weiss
Isadore Gorden	Sophie Moskowitz	Morris Weiss
Jack Gorrin	Anna Orlofsky	Gisela Weissman
Bessie S. Goss-Cohn	Samuel L. Ornstein	Arthur Wintner
		Lillian S. Wish
		Sarah Zelznick

If you would like a name read from this week's yahrzeit list and have not already informed the office, please notify one of the ushers.

It is customary to make a donation to the Aliyah Fund when honored with an aliyah. Thank you for your support.