

*Shabbat Shalom!*

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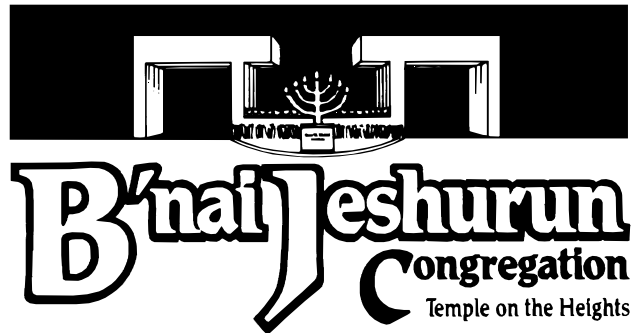
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Welcome to the **David J. Moskowitz Sanctuary** on behalf of Rabbi Stephen Weiss, Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria, Cantor Aaron Shifman, Education Engagement Rabbi Josh Foster, Rabbi Emeritus Stanley J. Schachter, President Shelley Scher and Executive Director Jay Ross.

*Our Mission is "To ensure the flourishing of Jewish life through educational, social and Conservative religious experiences in a warm and dynamic community."*

Parashat Balak בְּלַק

July 7/8, 2017 - 14 Tammuz 5777

	<u>Hertz</u>	<u>Etz Hayim</u>	<u>Verse</u>
Rishon	669	894	Num. 22:2 - 22:4
Sheni	669	894	22:5 - 22:7
Shlishi	670	895	22:8 - 22:12
Revi'i	670	895	22:13 - 22:20
Chamishi	671	896	22:21 - 22:27
Shishi	672	897	22:28 - 22:30
Shevi'i	672	898	22:31 - 22:38
Maftir	673	899	22:36 - 22:38
Haftarah	682	915	Micah 5:6 - 6:8

Thank you to our Torah readers: Scott Levin and Ari, Ben, Hedy, Michael and Natan Milgrom. Thank you to Natan Milgrom 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 Mary & Scott Levin in honor of the naming of their granddaughter.



### FRIDAY

Mazal tov to everyone who is celebrating a birthday this month!

Thank you to Allison Cohen for leading this evening's service. Thank you to our greeter, Lynn Wasserman.

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



### SATURDAY

Thank you to Zehava Galun for leading Shahrarit and Hedy Milgrom for leading Musaf.

Our Starbucks, Bread & Torah teacher this week is Rabbi Josh Foster. Thank you to Judy Riga 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, Marilyn Klein and our ushers: David Cohen, Maury Greenstein, Dan Jacobs, Harriet Rosenberg Mann and Henrik Sperling.

Following the Benediction, please join us for kiddush and a congregational luncheon in **Gross Atrium**, sponsored by Hedy & Michael Milgrom and Mary & Scott Levin in honor of their granddaughter's naming.



Mazal tov to Kate & Natan Milgrom on the naming of their daughter, Josie Louisa Milgrom, and to grandparents Hedy & Michael Milgrom, Mary & Scott Levin and great-grandmother Marylin Levin.

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

Thank you to **The Bob & Terry Zimmerman Family** for your generous gift, which enabled the Congregation to purchase the *Siddur Lev Shalem* prayerbooks. Thank you to **Rabbi Alan Lettofsky** for teaching us how this *siddur* 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](http://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.

**There has never been another prophet in Israel like Moses**  
*Rabbi Joel Levy, Rosh Yeshiva, the Conservative Yeshiva, Jerusalem*

The wandering Israelites repeatedly reach out to the local Middle-Eastern kingdoms to ask for safe passage through their lands and then defeat them in battle once those peace overtures have been rejected (the exception - their ignominious retreat from the Edomites in Numbers 20:21). By the time they reach the border with the Moabites the local tribes are thoroughly rattled. Balak, the king of Moab, realises that the Israelites cannot be defeated militarily and that maybe spiritual force could succeed where physical force cannot. He summons the most prestigious regional prophet, Bil'am, son of Be'or, to come and curse the Israelites for him.

What follows is a highly unsettling series of encounters between Bil'am and Balak, recounted at great length in Parshat Balak. If we had previously thought that the Israelites had an exclusive line of communication with YHVH, creator of the universe, this parashah shatters that illusion. Bil'am seems to have a degree of intimacy and constancy in his relationship with God that we may not even see amongst our own prophets. He calls God by the intimate name, YHVH, that we might have thought was reserved for the exclusive relationship between the Israelites and God; a name whispered to Moses at the burning bush. Each time that he is asked to come and curse the Israelites, Bil'am requests time to check in with God, receives clear guidance from YHVH and seems to follow it to the letter. Bil'am repeatedly and unswervingly says that he is not capable of casting powerful blessings or curses upon anyone, for he is merely a vehicle for transmitting God's will: "If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold I cannot go beyond the word of YHVH my God, to do less or more" (22:18) "Have I now any power to say anything? The word that God puts in my mouth, that shall I speak!" (22:38) "How will I curse when God has not cursed?" (23:8)

In his dealings with Balak, a local source of military and coercive political force, Bil'am seems direct and honest. In modern terms we might say that he has the courage to "talk truth to power". Despite repeated attempts at bribery and intimidation he sticks to his guns. In the end he emerges unscathed from the encounter, "returning to his place" (24:25).

The midrash (Bemidbar Rabbah 14:19) acknowledges Bil'am's greatness. Basing itself on the final verses of the Torah that emphasise Moses' stature as a leader and prophet, "And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like Moses" (Deut. 34:10, a verse immortalised in the piyut "Yigdal Elohim Chai") the midrash adds, "...in Israel there arose not, but in the nations of the world he did arise, in order that the nations not be encouraged to open their mouths and say 'If only we had had a prophet like Moses then we too would have become worshipers of the Holy Blessed One'. And who was their prophet 'like Moses'? Bil'am ben Be'or." The midrash goes on to analyse the differences between Moses' prophetic skills and Bil'am's and suggests that Bil'am exceeded Moses' prophetic capacities in three distinct areas, focussing on the constancy and predictability of Bil'am's line of communication with God, an idea that seems to emerge directly from the story in the parashah.

What is the Torah teaching us here about who has access to knowledge of the will of Holy Blessed One? One of the consequences of being a monotheist is that you have to learn to share your God with everyone!

MISHABERAH

JAYDEN BARBER  
DOVID BEN STANLEY  
YITZHAK MICHAEL BEN DINAH  
AVRAM DAVID BEN DINAH  
ELI CHAIM BEN MINNA YITTA  
BEN-TZION PESACH BEN  
SHAINDEL CHAYAH  
FRUMA BAT JANETTE  
YISRAEL BEN MEIRA  
MATANA DVORAH BAT SARAH  
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  
MEIR BEN SARAH  
YENTEL SURAH BAT MARIAM PESSSEL  
RAPHAEL BEN MASHA GOLDA  
BENJAMIN JOSEPH GREEN  
MIRIAM BAT RUCHEL  
MARY ELIZABETH GREENE  
REUVEN BEN SHAINDL  
YONKEL MOSHE BEN LEAH  
YOSEFA BAT CHANA SURA  
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  
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  
SARA ELKA BAT IDA  
YAKOV BEN BERNACE  
MICHAEL BEN BEVERLY  
SHALOM MENASHE BEN YITZHAK  
YEHEKAL BEN ESHKE  
RIVKA BRINDEL BAT YANKEL  
REUVEN BEN CHANAH  
JOANN BAT ZOLA  
ABRAHAM BEN MINDEL HANNAH  
BALAHA BAT EVA

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](mailto: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.



**Sunday, July 16 • 9:30 am**

Help bag groceries for local Jewish families in need. We need 8-10 volunteers over the age of 7 (with an adult). If you are interested in helping, contact Harriet Mann ([harriermann@gmail.com](mailto:harriermann@gmail.com)). The Pantry is located at 2004 S. Green Rd. in South Euclid.

### **Kiddush or Oneg Sponsorships**

The mitzvah of a donation for sponsorship of a kiddush or oneg is a beautiful way to share the happiness of your milestone or remember a loved one with the congregation. Sponsorships are acknowledged in the Shabbat handout and in *Tidings*. The cost of a kiddush is \$500 and an oneg is \$250; partial sponsorships are available and they are tax deductible. Please contact Paula Botkin.

# 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

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## **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 (fee)

6:30 pm Fun with Slime for Kids

7:00 pm Shabbat Rocks! service; Anniversary Shabbat

## **Saturday, July 22**

9:00 am Service

## **Monday, July 24 - Rosh Hodesh Av**

## **Friday, July 28**

7:00 pm Service

## **Saturday, July 29**

9:00 am Service

## **Monday, July 31 - Erev Tisha B'Av**

8:30 pm Mincha, Ma'ariv and Eicha (no 6 pm service)

8:44 pm Fast begins

Condolences to:

Pnina Wiesel, Leora Schoen & families on the death of their  
husband and father, our member, Joshua Wiesel

Michele Cydulka-Weinstein & family on the death of her father, our member,  
Samuel Cydulka

Charles Whitehill & family on the death of his mother, June Whitehill

Yahrzeits: July 8 - 14, 2017

Frances Abady	Hyman Glickman	Hyman Myeroff
Ann L. Abramson	Mervin L. Gold	David Neuman
Judith Lynn Actor	Vivian Gold	Eugene Nolish
David Mickey Adelman	William Goldberg	Louis Offsay
Doris Amster	Martha Goldfarb	Anclaire Sharf Oscar
Rose Arian	Adeline Golland	Bernice Polekoff
Oscar Ashkenazi	Irving Goodman	Frances (Frankie) Polster
Leon Ballonoff	Leo Goodman	Jean Rebman
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Reuven Baskin	Hilda Greenwald	Norma S. Rose
Jessie Baxt	Hazel V. Gross	Charles Ross
Norma Horwich Blee	Blanche Shagrin Guth	Hattie Ethel Rubin
William Borover	Eunice Belaga Heyman	Esther Rudnick
Yetta Bubis	Meyer Hoffman	Louis Sapphire
Bella Chakoff	Eva Hoicowitz	William Schlesinger
Lillian Chapman	Fannie Howitz	Michael B. Shagrin
Morris Coe	Celia Hyman	Harry Shankman
Jacob N. Cook	Anna Jacobs	Mimi Shapiro
Sigmund Corman	Judge Harry Jaffe	Charlotte Sharp
Alice Cort	Esther Kahan	Thomas Shatten
Tillie Covitt	Herbert B. Kaufman	Leon N. Siegler
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Lt. Jerome M. Deutsch	Sarah L. Klein	Estelle Soloff
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Charlotte Gelb	Nathan Lubin	Victor G. Whalley
Rose Gelb	Marilyn Lubin	Fanny Wolberg
Sarah Gilbert	Sam Maizner	Richard Wyman
		Esther Zake

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.*

**We welcome your children in the Main Sanctuary!**