THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 7/28 ~ 25 Tammuz	8:00 am Morning Service, Homestead Hebrew Chapel 2:00 pm Intro to Judaism, Zweig Library 7:00 pm Evening Service, Helfant Chapel
Monday, 7/29 ~ 26 Tammuz	7:30 am Morning Service, Homestead Hebrew Chapel 9:15 am Talmud Study, Lehman Center 7:00 pm Evening Service, Helfant Chapel
Tuesday, 7/30 ~ 27 Tammuz	7:30 am Morning Service, Homestead Hebrew Chapel 7:00 pm Evening Service, Helfant Chapel
Wednesday, 7/31 ~ 28 Tammuz	7:30 am Morning Service, Homestead Hebrew Chapel 11:00 am Wholly Holy, Eisner Commons 7:00 pm Evening Service, Helfant Chapel
Thursday, 8/1 ~ 29 Tammuz	7:30 am Morning Service, Homestead Hebrew Chapel 6:30 pm Thursday Evenings in my Garden, Off Site 7:00 pm Evening Service, Helfant Chapel
Friday, 8/2 ~ 1 Av Rosh <u>H</u> odesh Av Candle lighting 8:15 pm	7:30 am Morning Service, Homestead Hebrew Chapel 5:45 pm Shabababa and Shabbat Haverim, Samuel and Minnie Hyman Ballroom 6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat, Helfant Chapel
Saturday, 8/3 ~ 2 Av Havdalah 9:13 pm	6:30 am Early Morning Shabbat Service, Homestead Hebrew Chapel 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service, Faye Rubenstein Weiss Sanctuary 10:00 am Youth Tefillah, Meet in Shear Youth Lounge, then to respective services 12:15 pm Congregational Kiddush, Samuel and Minnie Hyman Ballroom 8:15 pm Minhah, Discussion, Ma'ariv, Homestead Hebrew Chapel

Yahrzeits

FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 27 – AUG. 2, 2019 24 TAMMUZ – 1 AV. 5779

The following Yahrzeits will be observed today and in the coming week. This list comprises those dear departed for whom there are dedicated plaques in our praying spaces, and those for whom contributions have been made to have their names listed here.

Samuel Alpern	Tiby Grinberg
Bernard Baer	Charles Harris
Sidney Berger	Jacob M. Hepner
Betsy R. Berman	Barney Hershman
Alan Binenkorb	Elizabeth P. Hershmar
Isaac Bloom	Robert Lee Hirshberg
Amalia Blumner	Eileen R. Holzer
Harry Breman	Rose Idell
Marilyn Buncher	Frank Israel
Minnie Cinkin	Samuel E. Jacobson
Harriet Rose Cohen	Ethel Jacobson
Irving Coleman	Phyllis Kaiser
Mariya Dolinskaya	Edwin Karelitz
Joseph Eisenberg	Jacob Kotovsky
Rebecca Eisenberg	Milton Levin
Mary Epstein	Jacob Liberman
Joseph Fishman	Regina Linder
Fay Friedman	Myron Louik
Israel Gold	Rae Goldman Marcus
M. D. Goldstein	Sylvia Markovitz
Sylvia Goldstein	Yetta Miller
Bicky Goldszer	Alan Parker
Jack Greenberg	Milton Plack

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Rose Plesset Iosif Rabinovich Frieda Riemer Joseph Rogal Esther D. Rose Harry Joseph Rosen Sam Rosen Fannie Rosenblum Essie Rosenfield Nathan A. Rosenzweig Bertha Roth Alex Ruben Lazar Rubinstein Israel A. Safyan Yetta Samuels Samuel G. Savage Leo Schaer Hyman Shear Isadore T. Shepse Mildred Sidorow

Hanna Sidransky

Minnie Silverblatt

Max M. Silverman

Sarah G. Simon Malcolm Alan Slotsky Abe Snyder Rae Stein Louis Stein Sylvia M. Stern Albert Wedner Samuel B. Wein **Edward Weiss** Robert Weissburg Jack Wolf Saul Sidney Wolfson

Homestead Hebrew Chapel

ENRICHING LIVES THROUGH COMMUNITY, LIFELONG JEWISH LEARNING, & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Shabbat Shalom! 24 Tammuz. 5779 This week's parashah is Pinehas.

Welcome. Dr. Keren Fite!

Friday, July 26, 2019 Candle lighting 8:22 p.m.		Youth Services Saturday	
Hod veHadar Instrumental Kabbalat Shabbat Weinberg Pavilion	6:00 pm	10:00-10:30 am - Meet in the Rice Gym or Youth Lounge.	
Saturday, July 27, 2019		Infant - Kindergarten with Manny Theiner 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Hoffman & Zweig Libraries, 3 rd floor	
Havdalah at 9:21 p.m. Early Morning Shabbat Service Homestead Hebrew Chapel	6:30 am	1 st - 4 th Grade Youth Tefillah 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Eisner Commons, 2 nd floor	
Shabbat Morning Service Samuel and Minnie Hyman Ballroom	9:30 am	5 th - 6 th Grade Youth <i>Tefillah</i> 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Homestead Hebrew Chapel, 2 nd floor	
Congregational Kiddush, co-sponsored by Partnership2gether of the Jewish Federation Samuel and Minnie Hyman Ballroom	12:15 pm	Please refrain from using electronic devices in the synagogue during Shabbat	
Shabbat Shi'ur with Dr. Keren Fite Helfant Chapel	12:45 pm	and holidays. Thank you.	
Minhah, Discussion, Ma'ariv	8:20 pm	Please look for this symbol inside for info on accessible entrances a	



Beth Shalom.

Coming August 3rd - The Mini Minyan

New Youth Tefillah Service - The Mini Minyan - begins on August 3rd. This service is targeted to pre-K and early elementary school children. A joyful prayer experience for kids (and their families, should they wish to join) is starting each week at 11:15 a.m. in the Homestead Hebrew Chapel on the second floor. We're going to be grateful, sing, and wiggle together! Please plan to join us for our inaugural service on August 3rd!

SHABBAT SHALOM

Rabbi Adelson joins the Officers and Trustees in welcoming all members and guests to our Shabbat Services. We look forward to seeing you again soon.

All are welcome to the congregational Kiddush, co-sponsored by Partnership2gether of the Jewish Federation, immediately following services in the Samuel and Minnie Hyman Ballroom.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY

Welcome to

Our Interim Executive Director. Ken Turkewitz!

Condolences to

The family and friends of Marion (Mandel) (Blattner) Wein, who passed away on Sunday, July 21st, at the age of 89.

BE A LEYNER!

The Early Morning Shabbat Minyan is looking for Torah readers for Saturday, August 3rd, for 6:30 a.m. Please contact Ira Frank at natfabira@juno.com to volunteer.

BE A LEADER!

The Religious Services Committee is looking for a few (more) good people to lead Pesukei Dezimra and Shaharit on Shabbat mornings. If you would like to join our team of leaders or would like to learn how to lead, please contact Sheldon Catz at sheldoncatz50@gmail.com.

Volunteer to Help with Kiddush! Really, we need YOU!

Please volunteer to help make the Kiddush - setup, cleanup, everything in between. We all like Kiddush, please help make it happen!

Please contact Michelle Vines, at 412-421-2288 x113, or catering 1@bethshalompgh.org.

Kiddush Sponsorship

Celebrating a *simhah* or honoring the memory of a loved one? To sponsor a catered Kiddush, contact Michelle Vines, at 412-421-2288 x113, or catering 1@bethshalompgh.org



LOCATING THE MOST ACCESSIBLE ENTRANCE

Palkovitz Lobby, Helfant Chapel, ELC, Front Offices: Enter at Beacon Street (or Rear Parking Lot Entrance with key)

Eisner Commons, Homestead Hebrew Chapel: Enter at Beacon Street, take elevator to 2nd floor

Fave Rubenstein Weiss Sanctuary: Enter at Beacon Street, take elevator to 3rd floor Shear Youth Lounge, Rice Auditorium: Enter at Beacon Street, take elevator to 3rd floor

Samuel and Minnie Hyman Ballroom: Enter at Shady Avenue







The Rabbi's Assistant answers questions that someone might be too shy to ask.

Who Makes the Hebrew Calendar, Then?

Last week we talked a bit about the rules that govern the creation of the Hebrew calendar, and someone asked who makes the calendar. The answer is "We do!"

As we mentioned, there are rules that were already being followed and were codified in the sixteenth century in the Shulhan Arukh (Orakh Hayyim 428), including the days of the week on which certain holidays may not fall, etc., and including which *parashah* should be read when. On the Shabbat before Pesah, for example (we wrote), we must read Tzav, unless it is a leap year in which case it would be Metsora; however, if Rosh Hashanah was on a Thursday, it would be Aharei Mot.

Well, this coming year on the Shabbat before Pesah we will be reading Tzav, and the Shabbat before that we will read Vayak-hel + Pekudey. That Shabbat is *Shabbat Ha<u>H</u>odesh*, the last of four special Shabbatot before Pesah. It falls on the Shabbat before the month of Nisan begins, unless Nisan begins on Shabbat, in which case Shabbat HaHodesh coincides with Rosh Hodesh. We have a young soon-to-become bat mitzvah studying this *parashah*!

The Jewish calendar is lunisolar, the months go according to the moon and the years according to the sun. The mean synodic month is 29 days, 12 hours, 44 minutes, and 3½ seconds long. (An hour is divided into 1,080 parts, each of which is $3\frac{1}{3}$ seconds.) The solar year is 365 days, 48 minutes, and 46 seconds, which means that the solar year exceeds a lunar year of 12 months by approximately 11 days. In the 19 years of a lunar cycle, the solar cycle exceeds the lunar by about 209 days. So an extra month is added in each of seven of the 19 years that constitute the lunar cycle, making each an "embolismic" year. Also, "full months" (מֶלֵא) have 30 days, and Nisan, Sivan, Av, Tishrei, Shevat, and Adar I (in leap year) are always "full." Iyyar, Tammuz, Elul, Tevet, Adar, and Adar II in leap year are always "short" (חשר), 29 days. The others vary.

Now, to start the year. If Rosh Hashanah is calculated to fall on Sunday, Wednesday, or Friday, it is postponed by a day. If the new moon appears after noon, Rosh Hashanah is postponed by a day, and if the new day is Sunday, Wednesday, or Friday, it is postponed another day. In a regular 12-month year (not leap), if the Tishrei new moon appears (over Jerusalem) more than 20 seconds past 3:11 a.m. on a Tuesday, Rosh Hashanah is postponed by two days. In a year after a leap year, if the new moon appears on a Monday more than 43 seconds past 9:32 a.m., Rosh Hashanah is postponed by a day. So how do we postpone it? We add days to Heshvan and Kislev beforehand!

A friend remembers his dad calculating the calendar with charts and a slide rule. What fun! Okay, maybe now some gentle readers are saying that the answer is "someone else creates the calendar."

We look forward to your questions. We have these columns online at http://bethshalompgh.org/ive-always-wondered/

OUR LEADERSHIP

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Beth Shalom Community Coloring Book

Judaism Through Our Eyes, a Beth Shalom Community Project!



Last call!

Create art!

Deadline: 7/31/2019



You may be a grownup, you may be almost a grownup, you may be an aspiring grownup or a happy kid, but you love a good coloring book — even if you've always just scribbled outside the lines! Well, now we want you to *make* the lines, create art for our coloring book.

Express yourself! On an 8½" x 11" page, place a line drawing, or a photo which will be turned into a line drawing. Then send us a JPG or a PDF of that page, or deliver the page in person. The theme is "Judaism Through Our Eyes." (Please see the website for further instructions.)



Not into creating art? Be a sponsor!

This is the Youth Department's new fundraising effort: creating a sponsored coloring book to give a meaningful voice to the members of the Beth Shalom community for all to share while supporting Youth Department programming. Sponsors receive coloring books (which may alternatively be donated to JF&CS).



This coloring book will be **for all ages** and varying levels of difficulty.

To get involved, go to https://tinyurl.com/CBSColoringBook2019 or call Marissa Tait, Director of Youth Programming at 412-421-2288 x465.

Sweepstakes Tickets Are On Sale

Men's Club 2019 Sweepstakes tickets are available now, at \$75 each. Drawing every Friday, based on PA Lottery number. Tickets must be paid to win! Chance to win twice each week through November. The final event will be held on December 7, 2019.

Contact Ira Frank for tickets, 412-849-2937 or natfabira@juno.com.

NCJW's Back-2-School Store (B2SS)

Sunday, July 28, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., at Rodef Shalom, 4905 Fifth Avenue. We need volunteers! Sign up at https://www.ncjwpgh.org/projects/back-2-school-store/ B2SS helps underprivileged children start the year on an equal footing. Elementary students from pre-qualified families have the opportunity to shop for brand new clothing, shoes, outerwear, and school supplies at no cost. While children shop, parents visit the Resource Room to connect with local agencies.

SHABBAT - 24 TAMMUZ 5779 **PARASHAT PINEHAS**

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Aliyah		Verses	Readers	Hertz	<u>H</u> ayim
1st	ראשון	Numbers 28:16-25	Irene Kaplow	695	931
2nd	שבי	28:26-31	Irene Kaplow	696	932
3rd	שלישי	29:1-6	Brenda Kurland	696	933
4th	רביעי	29:7-11	Dave Held	696	933
5th	חמישי	29:12-16	Dave Held	697	934
6th	ששי	29:17-28	Mitch Dernis	697	935
7th	שביעי	29:29 - 30:1	Marlene Behrmann Cohen	698	935
Maftir	מפטיר	29:35 - 30:1	Marlene Behrmann Cohen	698	936
Haftarah	הפטרה	Jeremiah 1:1-2:3	Jackie Stein	699	938

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Parashat Pinehas

A summary of this week's parashah, from Hazzan Rob Menes, www.HazzanMenes.info

Everything on Rob's website remains open and free to use. Note especially the benei mitzvah resources, service leading, and music available there.

This week's portion continues the controversial story of Pinehas, which began at the end of last week's parashah. In a climate of rampant idolatry, Pinehas, a grandson of Aharon who is known as a great zealot, takes a spear and stabs through an Israelite Chieftain who was in the act of consorting with the daughter of a Midianite priest.

At the beginning of this week's parashah which bears his name. Pinehas is rewarded with the inheritance of the priestly line, which began with Aaron. The portion continues with a description of Israel's struggles with the Midianites, and then a census is taken as part of the preparation for battle.

As a footnote to the listing of the census, a story is told about a man named Tselofhad (Zelophechad) who died of natural causes in the wilderness without leaving a son. His five daughters come to Moses to complain that their family would lose their father's property because daughters are not allowed to inherit. Moses consults with God, who agrees that the laws need to be changed.

Joshua is formally appointed as Moses' successor, and the portion concludes with a review of all the sacrificial offerings of the festivals.

For additional information, please see the flyers in the racks, or go to our website.

Check the calendar on our website for daily event information at http://www.bethshalompgh.org

Tish'ah BeAv

Tish'ah BeAv, commemorating the destruction of both Temples, is observed this year beginning the evening of Saturday, August 10. We observe a full 25-hour fast. Beth Shalom hosts the Community Eykhah Reading this year. Services will include: Minhah 6:45 p.m., Se'udah Shelishit 7:15-8:00 (please RSVP in advance). Tales of Destruction and Rebuilding (a Derekh program) 8:00 p.m., Ma'ariv 8:45 p.m. The Community Eykhah reading is at 9:00 p.m.

Honoring Michelle Vines - Brunch

SAVE THE DATE:

Sunday, September 8, 2019, 10:00 a.m. How else to honor Michelle Vines and her 50 years of service to the Jewish Community? It's a brunch!

Join us in honoring this dynamo of hospitality, this understated *mayen* of functions!

More information to follow.



Wholly Holy

Wholly Holy: Exploring Faith, Practice, and Belonging in Judaism and Christianity Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Eisner Commons With Rabbi Jeremy Markiz and Rev. Canon Natalie L.G. Hall, Episcopal Diocese of Pgh.

We hope to create an intergenerational interfaith conversation.

All persons, all ages, all experiences are welcome.

This series is free. Lunch is included. Free on-site childcare available.

Please RSVP online at https://tinyurl.com/WhollyHoly2019

The sessions will be livestreamed at https://zoom.us/i/540315495, and also on Facebook live.

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July 3 - Birth & Initiation Rite July 10 Coming of Age

July 17 - Daily Practice July 24 - Marriage

July 31 - Religious Faith Leadership August 7 - Sickness

August 14 - Death

Thursday Evenings in My Garden



Memorial Day through Labor Day, Thursdays, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Everyday Spirituality for healing, growth, creativity, and innovation. Join us weekly for casual conversation and exploration. Come once or come weekly. Friends are welcome. Please check our websites for location and confirmation of upcoming dates.

Deborah A. Baron, Coach Executive, Leadership, Life, Transformative www.deborahbaron.com

Rabbi Jeremy Markiz Director of Derekh and Youth Tefillah www.bethshalompgh..org

Weekly Talmud Class

Every Monday morning at 9:15 a.m. in Lehman Center Rabbi Jeremy Markiz learns Massekhet Rosh Hashanah, a tractate of the Talmud about the many new years that fill out the Jewish calendar. If you'd like to join the Talmud Class Google Group, follow this link: https://groups.google.com/d/forum/talmudcbs

Book of Remembrance

During Yizkor services through the year we remember those who have passed away, in the Book of Remembrance. To include the names of your family and friends in the Book of Remembrance.

please complete the form online by August 6, 2019.

The cost is \$25 per person or couple you are remembering.

For an \$1800 donation, we will continue to place an entry of up to five individuals/couples in the Book of Remembrance every year for as long as we publish our Book of Remembrance.

The link is https://tinvurl.com/CBSBOR5780

Jewish Heritage Night at the Game

Wednesday, August 21st, Pirates vs. Nationals, 7:05 p.m. at PNC Park, 115 Federal Street Catch up with old friends, meet some new! Each game ticket purchased will include a limited edition "Pittsburgh Strong" Hebrew t-shirt. Tickets for Jewish Heritage Night:

⇔ Home Plate Box \$39 with pregame kosher BBQ \$34 without meal

☼ Infield Grandstand \$23 with pregame kosher BBQ \$18 without meal

Optional pregame kosher meal in the Picnic Park, specially priced at just \$5 per person. Meal includes smoked pulled BBQ beef sliders, maple BBQ beans, Cajun coleslaw, chips, water. Please note: Rate, t-shirt, and meal only available through this promotion.

https://www.mlb.com/pirates/tickets/specials/iewish-heritage

Sisterhood Potluck

Please join us for a potluck vegetarian/dairy dinner meeting at the home of Judy Kobell, Thursday, September 26, at 6:30 p.m. 2758 Mount Royal Road

What to bring? If your last name begins with

Salad. M-P - Appetizer Q-Z - Dessert A main course of vegetarian/dairy lasagna will be provided. A-L - Salad Please RSVP to Judy Kobell at jayeko@msn.com or 412-422-3226.

Sisterhood Book Club



The Sisterhood Book Club will discuss Bridge of Clay by Markus Zuzak The meeting date has yet to be determined; it is likely it will be in September.

Sisterhood Judaica Shop - Great Gifts!



Open Friday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (except holidays), or by appointment Barbara Kaiserman, 412-422-5677 Summer - 30% off all wedding gifts and jewelry

