



Welcome to Shabbat Services

June 22, 2007

This week's Torah portion is Chukat

Numbers 19:1 - 22:1

This portion begins on page 652 of the Hertz Bible.

Parashat Chukat is most remembered for the laws concerning the red heifer, God's punishment to Moses and Aaron, forbidding them to enter the Promised Land, and Aaron's death. Parashat Chukat describes the circumstances of Aaron's death. God euphemistically tells Moses and Aaron that Aaron will be gathered to his kin, that is, he will die. Moses, Aaron, and Aaron's son Eleazar are to ascend Mount Hor. There Moses transfers Aaron's vestments to his son Eleazar and Aaron dies.

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Friday, June 22, 2007

7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service

## **Upcoming Events in our B'nai Torah Community:**

**Join us as we honor the career of Sonia Kass** Friday, June 29, 7:30 p.m. at Shabbat Services and a festive Oneg. Sonia has dedicated years of service to B'nai Torah as choir director, organist and music teacher.

**Explore the Rabbinic Mind** with Rabbi Feinberg on Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. This class meets to examine Midrash on weekly Torah portions in English translation.

**Hebrew School Registration** – Packets for the 2007 – 08 school year have been mailed and registration is now due. If you did not receive a packet, please call the school office at 847-433-6900 and one will be mailed to you.

**Sisterhood will host their annual kick-off** on Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> with a Wine & Cheese Event. Join us at 7:30 p.m. at B'nai Torah on the patio behind the sanctuary. Call the B'nai Torah office for more information.

**Family Dinner & Tot Shabbat Service** - Join Rabbi Nesselson & Cantor Casden on Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. on the patio behind the sanctuary. We ask that families bring their own picnic dinner & blankets. Please RSVP to Shana by July 6<sup>th</sup> at 847-433-7100

**Save the Date** for these upcoming Men's Club Events. There will be a Golf Outing July 13<sup>th</sup> and in July or August they will attend a Chicago Fire game.

**Sisterhood Spiritual Shabbat Walk at Botanic Gardens** – Join the Sisterhood on Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the entrance to the main building as they share Shabbat with nature and one another. Sisterhood welcomes all congregants of all ages for this beautiful event.

**Save the Date!** The B'nai Torah Empty Nesters Group will enjoy a **Night in Vienna at Ravinia Festival** on Saturday, July 28 at 7:30 p.m. The Chicago Symphony Orchestra will conduct the works of Richard and Johann Strauss. Pavilion tickets are just \$20, call the B'nai Torah office for more information 433-7100.

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**Tisha B'av** – Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 p.m. services will be held for Tisha B'av, a day to commemorate the destruction of both Holy Temples of Jerusalem, as well as other tragedies that have befallen our people. The service will be held on the patio, weather permitting. Don't forget to bring a flashlight!

## SUMMER CLASSES

**Back To The Basics: Monday-Thursday, July 9-12, 16-19 & 23-26 – 7-8:30 p.m.**

This course covers what every adult should know and understand about Judaism. Students may sign up for the entire series or individual sessions.

7/9 – God, Theology and Spirituality – Rabbi Jonathan Magidovitch

7/10 – Israel Today – Rabbi Bob Feinberg

7/11 – Life Cycle – Rabbi Bob Feinberg

7/12 – Jewish Text – Rabbi Debra Nesselson

7/16 – Prayer – Cantor Lynda Casden

7/17 – Siddur (prayer book) - Cantor Lynda Casden

7/18 – Holidays – (High Holy Days – Chanukah) – Judy Jury

7/19 – History – Ancient – Biblical – Dr. Audrey Gordon

7/23 – Holidays – (Tu B'Shevat – Shavuot) – Judy Jury

7/24 – History – (Medieval – Modern) – Rabbi Debra Nesselson

7/25 – Jewish Community – Rabbi Bob Feinberg

7/26 – Metaphysics and Mysticism – Rabbi Jonathan Magidovitch

**An On-going Exploration of Exodus:** Rabbi Nesselson will again be leading this class, which is co-sponsored by The Dawn Schuman Institute. The class meets on Thursday, at 10:00 a.m. It is scheduled for July 12, 19, 26 & August 2.

**Hebrew Reading Crash Course:** Have you always wanted to learn Hebrew but have never found the time? Come to our Hebrew reading crash course beginning Tuesday, July 31 & August 7, 14, 21, 28 at 6:30 p.m. This class is taught by Judy Jury and is sponsored by the National Jewish Outreach Program.

For more information on these classes, call the Education office at 847-433-6900 or email [judy@congregationbnaitorah.org](mailto:judy@congregationbnaitorah.org).

Israel Homeland Security Trade Mission to Illinois will host a number of speakers on Thursday, June 28 at Illinois Science & Technology Park in Skokie. To register please visit [www.aeanet.org/israelillinoisymposium](http://www.aeanet.org/israelillinoisymposium) or call 312-814-8764.

W E L C O M E to B'nai Torah  
A House of Prayer  
The Study of Torah  
The Performance of Good Deeds

Bless all who enter this Sanctuary  
in search and in need,  
all who bring to this place the offerings of their hearts.  
May our worship here lead us  
to fulfill our words and our hopes  
with acts of kindness, peace and love.  
Amen.

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We extend our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of:  
Jerome Cole, Harry Gorelik, Dr. Irwin Halpert & Ethel M. Riceman  
who passed away recently.

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Please join us in the Social Hall for the Oneg Shabbat hosted by:

The B'nai Torah Sisterhood

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