



Congregation Mikveh Israel Record

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SHABBAT SHELAH LEKHA

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Friday
Candle Lighting: 8:15 PM.
Service 7:15 PM.

Saturday
Shabbat
Service 9:00 A.M.



SHABBAT SHELAH LEKHA

In this week's parashah, G-d told Moses to send one person from each of the 12 tribes to scout the land of Canaan. Among the scouts were Caleb from the Tribe of Judah and Hosea from the Tribe of Ephraim, whose

name Moses changed to Joshua. They scouted the land as far as Hebron. At Eshcol, they cut down a branch with a single cluster of grapes so large that it had to be borne on a carrying frame by two of them, as well as some pomegranates and figs.

At the end of 40 days, they returned and reported to Moses, Aaron, and the people saying that the land did indeed flow with milk and honey, but that the people who inhabited it were powerful, the cities were fortified and very large, and that they saw the Amalakites there. Ten scouts called the land "one that devours its inhabitants." They reported that the land's people were giants and stronger than the people of Israel.

The whole community broke into crying, railed against Moses and Aaron, and shouted: "If only we might die in this wilderness!" Moses and Aaron fell on their faces, and Joshua and Caleb rent their clothes and exhorted the people not to fear. The people threatened to pelt them with stones.

G-d said to Moses, "How long will this people spurn Me?" and threatened to strike them with pestilence and make of Moses a nation. But Moses told G-d that the Egyptians would think G-d powerless to bring the people to the Promised Land. Moses asked G-d to forbear, since G-d was "slow to anger and abounding in kindness, forgiving iniquity and transgression."

In response, G-d pardoned, but also swore that none of the men who had seen G-d's signs would see the Promised Land, except Caleb and Joshua, and that all the rest 20 years old and up would die in the wilderness. G-d said that their children would enter the Promised Land after roaming the wilderness, suffering for the faithlessness of the present generation, for 40 years, corresponding to the number of days that the scouts scouted the land.

Early the next morning, the people set out to the Promised Land, but Moses told them that they would not succeed without G-d in their midst. But they marched forward anyway, and the Amalekites and the Canaanites dealt them a shattering blow at Hormah.

The laws of the meal, wine and oil offerings are given, as well as the mitzvah to consecrate a portion of the dough (hallah) to G-d when making bread. G-d also explained the offerings necessary if the community or an individual unwittingly failed to observe any commandment.

A man gathered wood on the Sabbath day, and they brought him before Moses, Aaron, and the community and placed him in custody. G-d told Moses that the whole community was to pelt him with stones outside the camp, and they did. G-d told Moses to instruct the people to make for themselves tzitzit on each of the corners of their garments. They were to look at the fringes, recall the commandments, and observe them.

Parashat Shelah Lekha has 119 verses

Haftarah Shelah Lekha has 24 verses

Sefer HaHinukh: Parashat Shelah Lekha contains 3 Mitzvot

This week's Haftarah is from Joshua

From Rabbi Albert E. Gabbai



In the Parashah this week, we are told of the twelve scouts who explored the Promised Land. When they came back, they gave an accurate report of what they saw, yet the children of Israel were punished and made to wander in the desert for forty years.

How could it be that the Israelites were punished?

They were punished because they were rebellious and did not trust that G-d would keep His promise. Joshua and Caleb exhorted the whole Israelite community telling them that, with the help of G-d, they would be given the land. They even said that they should not have fear of the inhabitants. However, the other ten said, "...we looked like grasshoppers to ourselves and so we must have looked to them." The Israelites did not have confidence, neither in G-d nor in themselves.

If we belittle ourselves, then people will belittle us. If we say to ourselves that we cannot accomplish a certain task, although accomplishable with some effort, we will not even try because we have convinced ourselves that we are incapable. It will "freeze" us from any attempt.

That is why it is very important that we look at ourselves in a moderate way and nurture good traits so that when we behave, these good traits will guide us.



MAZAL TOB
to
MOLLIE and DANIEL VESSAL
on the birth of their son

First grandson of
Caralyn and David Vessal
and
Marcia and the late Marty Weinberg

The Berit Milah will be held on
Wednesday, June 29th
(time pending)

Our thanks to the Gabbay family
for sponsoring our Shabbat lunch

**in memory of beloved
husband, father, grandfather,
MR. JOSEPH GABBAY**



MAZAL TOB!
To
FRAN & LEON L. LEVY
Celebrating their
60th anniversary!





Join us in welcoming
REV. PHILIP SHERMAN
this Shabbat.

A New Class for children 5-12 years old
Click on the Zoom link to join Rabbi Yosef Zarnighian
Sunday mornings at 10:00 A.M.



Youth Tefillah Group
Learn KKMI Prayers
and Melodies
(Ages 5-12)

Every Sunday from June 26, 2022

Time: 10:00-10:30 am

Teacher: Rabbi Yosef Zarnighian

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THURSDAY EVENINGS
7:00 P.M. ON ZOOM***



It is our Minhag (custom) to recite the Hashcobot (Memorial prayer) on the Nahalah (Yahrzeit/anniversary) of the deceased in the synagogue on the Shabbat preceding their Hebrew date. At the same time, we read the names of those who have passed away during the last twelve months. We encourage you to honor your loved ones during the Zoom sessions.

**Join Rabbi Albert Gabbai on
Thursday evenings at 7:00 P.M. on Zoom**

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Fight Night

**Rabbi Gabbai
vs
Rabbi Zarnighian**



**Lively discussion on
KORAH AND HIS ASSEMBLY**

**FRIDAY, JULY 1, 2022
SERVICE 7:15 P.M.**

**Please make your reservations for the delicious meal that will
be served. \$18 per member; \$36 per guest.**

Please reserve by Tuesday, June 28, 2022

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**30 Sivan 5782**

**Thursday, June 30, 2022 \***  
**1 Tammuz 5782**



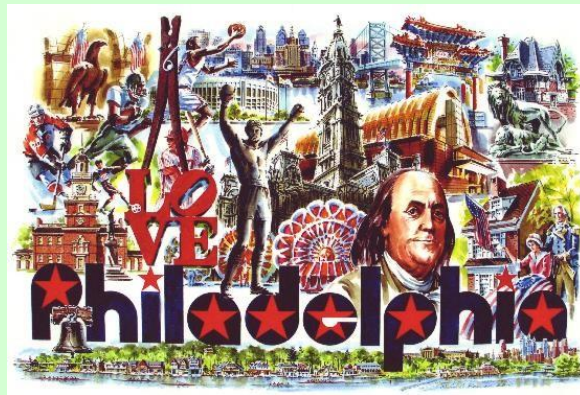
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