

Congregation Etz Chaim



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Parasha Beha'alozecha

June 6, 2026

Shabbos lik ner **7:53 PM**

Shabbos Day

Shacharis 9:00 AM

Latest Shema 8:57 AM

Latest Tefilla 10:12 AM

Mincha 7:55 PM

Shabbos ends 9:03/9:24 PM

Shabbos Day at Young Israel

Mincha 7:30 PM

Ma'ariv 9:04 PM

Havdalah 9:09 PM

Weekday at YI

Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:59 PM

Shabbos Day at Chabad

Mincha 7:45 PM

Maariv 9:04 PM

Weekdays at Chabad

Mincha/Maariv 7:55 PM

TORAH LEARNING

Rabbi Hartman's class is SUNDAY at 9:30 a.m.

Zoom ID: 903 917 1656

Password: 170 smain

SHMIRAS HALASHON class is not meeting this **Monday**.

Please contact Janis Monat: jbmonat@aol.com for the link.

DAF YOMI WEEKDAY ZOOM SCHEDULE

Via Zoom: Mon - Th 7:00 pm and Tu & Th 7:30 a.m.

Meeting ID: 822 979 966

Password: 727190

DAF YOMI LIVE SCHEDULE:

Shabbos mornings at shul, 8:00 a.m., one hour before shacharis;

Sunday mornings at shul, 7:00 a.m., one hour before shacharis.

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SHABBOS KIDDUSH

The Gerber family is sponsoring a celebratory kiddush to honor the birthdays of Len Gerber as well as Israel Nagar. The kiddush is also to celebrate the retirement of Berney Rogoff. Mazal tov to all!

BARUCH DAYAN HAEMES

With great sadness is the untimely passing of Eliezer Schectman, z'l, *Eliezer Yehuda ben David Reuven z'l*, beloved son of Sarah Schectman and David Schectman; cherished as a son by Chris Beebe; beloved brother and brother-in-law of Adina and Shmuel Tsvi, Asher and Leah, Shifra and Ari, and Noam and Faige.

The funeral was Thursday June 4th at Baker Street Cemetery, Pride of Boston Section. [776 Baker Street West Roxbury MA](#) Section zz Plot 20.

Shiva is at the Schectman home, [2 Hampshire Ave, Sharon, MA](#):

	Visiting Hours	Shacharit	Mincha/ Ma'ariv
Thursday 6/4	3:00 PM- 6:00 PM	n/a	8:00 PM
Friday 6/5	10:00 AM-12:00 PM 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM	8:00 AM	n/a
Sunday 6/7	10:00 AM- 12:00 PM 2:00 PM- 6:00 PM	8:00 AM	8:00 PM
Monday 6/8	10:00 AM- 12:00 PM 2:00 PM- 6:00 PM	TBD	8:00 PM
Tuesday 6/9	10:00 AM- 12:00 PM 2:00 PM- 6:00 PM	TBD	8:00 PM
Wednesday 6/10	n/a	TBD	

May this family be comforted by the mourners of Tzion and Yerushalayim and our community.

ETZ CHAIM BOARD MEETING AND ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Our next board meeting is **SUNDAY, June 14 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom**. [PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME](#). Please RSVP to jbmonat@aol.com for the link if needed. Otherwise, you can use the same one as last month's.

All paid members are invited to vote at our LIVE, IN-PERSON, congregational meeting, Sunday, June 28, at 10:00 a.m. All positions are open! Enjoy morning coffee/tea and pastries!

REFUAH SHELAIMA

Our prayers are with the armed forces of the United States and Israel, for their swift victory and for their safe return home in peace. We pray for the healing of the wounded members of the IDF, those who have been hurt in terrorist attacks, the Israeli survivors from 10/7/23 **and this Iran War**. We pray for the healing of our congregation members: Heidi Goldblatt, Rachel Chana bas Menucha; Robert Dell, Chana Reuven ben Leah; Tzila Pass, Tzila Chava bas Rachel; Marve Rudenstein, Menachem Yitzchak ben Raitza, and Burton Cusner. May they all heal soon and completely!

ETZ CHAIM BOOK CLUB

We are reading *How to Share an Egg : a True Story of Hunger, Love, and Plenty* by Bonny Reichert and will meet on **Monday, June 8 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom**. Copies are available at the Sharon Public Library's Circulation desk. Simply ask for the Etz Chaim Book Club. Any questions? Suggestions? Contact Merilee at melmaeir@gmail.com.

THOUGHTS ON PARASHA BEHA'ALOSECHA, ch. 8:1-12:16

By Janis Monat

Our parasha begins with Hashem telling Moshe to instruct Aharon to **light the candles of the menorah** in such a way **that they would glow/burn in the direction of its center**.

It was one year ago, June 1, 2025, that Jewish people were peacefully **shining their light** in a Boulder, CO's **center** to offer support and attention to the remaining abducted hostages in Gaza.

ADL describes, "They were not soldiers. They were not politicians. They were friends and neighbors walking peacefully through their own community, calling attention to hostages kidnapped from Israel by Hamas on Oct. 7. They were doing what free people do in a free society — exercising their right to free speech. Suddenly they were targeted by hate with a thrown firebomb. The survivors described not only sustaining physical injuries and a resulting elderly woman's death, but their loss of the ability to walk freely without threats to their safety, to gather openly, without being targeted for their religion or their views, and to be in public and openly Jewish, without anxiety or fear.

This past weekend **I was in Boulder, CO** and saw people gathered for the first anniversary in the very spot of last year's attack. They were showing their Jewish community's enduring strength and were joined by Governor Jared Polis. His speech reflected the resolve of the gathered crowd, "Today, we return to the site where this horrific attack occurred, to show by deeds and words that terrorism does not win."

ADL highlights, "We have no choice. We have to battle bigotry with everything we have. It is the fight of our lives, and we can't afford to lose."

Chabad describes that though our parasha's menorah was made of seven branches, it was one unified piece. Similarly all people have different strengths and unique ways of connecting to Judaism and to G-d. Some connect through learning and prayer, others through community, kindness, and **attending vigils**. What matters is that **the light is shining together**.

"The enduring message of the Temple's menorah is a balanced life, not built on intellect alone or emotion alone, but when **the wisdom of the mind and the warmth of the heart illuminate each other**."

May we go from strength to strength in the light of Hashem and our Torah!

A shabbos of shalom!