



Congregation Etz Chaim

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Parshas Beha'aloscha

Sivan 21, 5780
June 13, 2020

Friday Night

Candle Lighting 6:46-8:03 PM

Shabbos Day

Latest Shema 8:56AM
Latest Shacharis 10:12AM
Sunset 8:21PM
Shabbos Ends 9:15PM

Erev Shabbos June 19th

Candle Lighting 8:05PM

Davening Times

~ 6/14 - 6/18 ~

****Before attending, please review our COVID-19 policy in its entirety and pre-register at <https://forms.gle/iQTGKnQXhxN93Yuu8>****

Shacharis*

Sunday 8:00AM

Mincha/Maariv*

Sun-Thurs 8:05PM

*To connect via Zoom:

Zoom ID: 515-070-2760

Password: 6MY YLU

Torah Learning

Daf Yomi

Motzei Approx. 75 Min
Shabbos After Sunset
Sun & Fri 7:00AM
Mon-Thurs 6:30PM

Zoom ID: 822 979 966

Rabbi Hartman's Class

(Topic: Hakarat Hatov)

Sunday 9:00AM

Zoom ID: 903 917 1656

Password: 170smain

Siddur Class

Thursday 9:30AM

Contact Rabbi Gorin,
rabbi@etzchaimsharon.com, to confirm attendance and get the link for access.

~ Announcements ~

MAZAL TOV

Mazal tov on the bar-mitzvah of Shlomo Spielman, grandson of Howard and Eileen Spielman. Thank you for your sponsorship!

BARUCH DAYAN HAEMET

We regret to inform you of the passing of Stephen A. Martin, Baruch Nachson ben Avraham v' Adele, Z"L, of Warwick, RI, father of Yosef Martin, Yisrael Martin, and Shaina Martin. The funeral was Tuesday.

Nichum Aveilim/condolence messages can be sent to Yosef, Yisrael and Shaina at MartinCondolences@gmail.com.

Due to the pandemic, rather than providing meals, we will be collecting donations to order food for the family.

Please contact Merilee Maier at melmaier@gmail.com for more information.

The family should be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

DRASHA SPONSORSHIP

Our Etz Chaim community has opened up the Rabbi's weekly Shabbat Drasha video for sponsorships. The Rabbi will open his broadcast with the messages of sponsorship. We would like to ask for a donation of \$18 to Etz Chaim per message. If you would like to sponsor this in honor of a yahrtzeit of a loved one, a simcha in the family or just to offer your gratitude, please email Janis Monat with your message at jbmonat@aol.com and send a donation to the shul via PayPal through the shul's website or mail your donation to the shul, 74 Billings Street, Att: the Treasurer.

RABBI BARRY HARTMAN'S CLASS RESUMES

After a too-long hiatus Rabbi Hartman will have a virtual Sunday morning class via ZOOM beginning this Sunday. The virtual class will be @ 9:30 AM for 30 minutes based on ZOOM restrictions. The topic will be "Hakarot Hatov; to say Thank You"

Please use the following link to sign in:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9039171656?pwd=ZW5vbHhVWXVSMGJZRGZJYmNwL3JpQT09>

Meeting ID: 903 917 1656

Password: 170smain

SIDDUR CLASS

Rabbi Gorin will be teaching a new class on the siddur with a focus on gaining a deeper understanding of our daily davening. It will be Thursdays at 9:15AM. Please contact Rabbi Gorin, rabbi@etzchaimsharon.com, to confirm attendance and get the link for access.

DINNER PLANNING MEETING

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, June 24 at 7:30 p.m.

BOARD MEETING

Our next board meeting will be Wed., July 8th at 5:00 p.m.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Etz Chaim's annual congregational meeting will be Sunday, July 12 at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. All outstanding financial obligations are to be paid before. We will be voting for the new board. Please send your check to the treasurer, Michael Ferber, 8 West Street, Sharon, MA 02067. Thank you!

GREATER BOSTON SHMIRAT HALASHON CAMPAIGN

The newly formed *Greater Boston Shmirat HaLashon Campaign* (whose WhatsApp group you can join [HERE](#)) is bringing together hundreds of individuals in the Boston area – from different shuls, organizations and communities – all of whom will be committing to bettering themselves through *Shmirat HaLashon* (proper speech). The campaign will help empower us to use the gift of speech in a positive way, and to distance ourselves from gossip and other forms of derogatory speech.

Joining the campaign is simple! All you need to do is:

1. Want to do something meaningful and concrete to better yourself and the lives of those around you.
2. Select one waking hour a day when you pledge to do your best to avoid speaking *Lashon Hara* (gossip/derogatory speech), and instead, focus that time on speaking in a positive, uplifting manner.

Hopefully, you will soon feel inspired and empowered to increase that hour to a longer period of time. But at the outset, taking small, manageable steps is a great way to start.

3. Sign up to join either the **Greater Boston Shmirat HaLashon** WhatsApp group [HERE](#) or click on this email address: GBSHCampaign+subscribe@groups.io and press 'send' to be added to the listserv.
4. Encourage your family and friends to join this campaign by forwarding this email to them and asking them to join the WhatsApp or listserv – even if they are not Boston residents. The more people involved, the greater our individual and collective successes will be!

Once you have signed up to join the campaign, you will receive periodic short messages via WhatsApp/email which will help you on your *Shmirat HaLashon* journey. The messages will vary in content and in mediums: there will be some concise, concrete *Halachot*, photos with inspirational quotes and images, topical *Divrei Torah* from various local rabbis, some short, engaging videos – as well as inspiring messages of strength from some fascinating and internationally-known motivational speakers!

REFUAH SHELAIMA

Please daven for David Goldblatt's mother, Chava Yehudis bas Chana Zelda; Shira Picard's uncle, Ephraim Gedalya ben Channa Raizel; Janis Monat's dear friend, Yael bas Yetta, who is getting better, and for all those who need our prayers for a complete and speedy recovery.

PARASHA NOTE

B'ha'alotcha, to "raise up", contains the midda of **anavah, humility**. Moshe's task is to help Hashem raise up and develop his fellow Hebrew brethren from a slave-to-pharaoh mindset and lifestyle to a Jewish nation serving Hashem. Guiding the Israelites through the desert, under Hashem's protection, Moshe looks out for their physical and spiritual needs. He oversees the building of the Mishkan and instructs Aharon to light the lamps of the menorah, offering the warmth and comfort of leadership and safety.

Moshe's humility, anavah, was in realizing that his desire to deal with all the people's issues was overwhelming him and posing time demands on the people who had to wait long periods of time for his attention. Moshe prays to Hashem for guidance and is instructed to delegate responsibilities to 70 elders. Moshe employs humility, acknowledging his limits and the need for Hashem's help.

May we know when we need a hand, to be "raised up" when we pray to Hashem for assistance. With humility we offer Hakaras Hatov, the recognition of the good we receive from Hashem as we cross our own challenging deserts of life taking to mind and heart what our routines are without the security of a job, a school building, a synagogue, a gym, etc. And through this who we are to each other only has gotten stronger. We have been in a state of pandemic induced - no touching - desiring this basic connection with our fellow brethren all the more. During these past 3 months, Hashem has been holding us and keeping us safe for when we can return to each other.

A good Shabbos with Hakaras hatov and anava!