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From the Desk of the Rabbi **It's All About The Number 3**

If you ask the average Jewish person what Shavuot is, most of us in this day and age will say it is about the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai. However, the Torah does not state this directly. It mainly talks about the counting of fifty days from the 2nd day of Pesach. It is Rabbinic Judaism and our Sages of the Talmud that determined that the holiday of Shavuot and the giving of the Torah both occurred at the same time.

When one considers the time frame chronologically, Shavuot occurs in the third month of our Jewish calendar year otherwise known as Sivan. What is the significance of the third month and is three one of Hashem's favorite numbers? Why wasn't the Torah given immediately? When we examine how much in Judaism connects with the number three, we can see a pattern that Hashem establishes that is more than just mere coincidence.

This point is made explicitly in the Talmud, Tractate Shabbas 88: *"Blessed be the Merciful One who gave a threefold Torah to a threefold people through a third-born on the third day in the third month."* Notice how the number three is the constant throughout this quote from the Talmud.

Here are some other examples of what comes in 3's: The Tanach is in three parts namely: Torah, Neviim (Prophets), and Ketuvim (Writings). Today we look at nation of Israel as three: Kohen, Levite, and Israelite. Moses was the third born of his family (Aaron and Miriam were born before him). The Torah was given in the third month, and on the third day after which all of Israel had to remain pure in every way. Judaism also alludes to a triad relationship between Hashem, the Torah and the Jewish People. We merited the receiving of the Torah at Sinai because of the covenant Hashem established between our three Patriarchs; Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob.

Why three? The Torah is unique. It is one of a kind. There is no other Sefer like it before and after. Hashem is unique. Hashem is one of a kind. Would it not be just logical that Hashem would have been more focused on the number one? Let us examine this on a month by month perspective.

Nissan is the month of the Exodus itself, when Hashem was revealed to the Israelites. They "fled" from Egypt, both literally and metaphorically—fled first on foot and from the knowledge of the Egyptian world which consisted of many deities. They were then filled only with the revelation that there was only One G-d in the entire universe.

Iyar, the second month, is the month wholly taken up with the Counting of the Omer, and preparing ourselves for the coming events at Sinai; Two things that dealt with the physical only, not necessarily the spiritual.

Sivan, the third month, was the time when the Torah was given, when G-d, the Torah and the Jewish people became physically and spiritually one. This was the moment when the world and humanity changed forever.

It has been many centuries since that third month experienced by our people at Sinai. Yet we as Jews today should continue to make every attempt to feel that experience as much as possible, to connect and be one with G-d not only on Shavuot, not only on other holidays, but every day in our life. This is the true meaning of the giving of the Torah: Being a Holy Nation, a Nation of Priests and a Light to the other Nations. Lookout, there is that number three again.

With Torah Blessings and a Hag Sameach Shavuot! Rabbi

Congregation Ahavath Achim Family,

*We are honored and pleased to announce Lee & Vicki Robertson,
our newest members of Ahavath Achim.*

*Please join us in welcoming Lee & Vicki to our
congregation next time you see them.*

*L'shalom and friendship,
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MAY Bimah Schedule

- 1 Steve Roosth
- 8 Dr. Stan Weiner
- 15 Kimberly Walls
- 22 Ruth Elmakiss
- 29 Tim Birmingham

Remember, if you can't be on the Bimah when scheduled,
you need to find a replacement.

BULLETIN

DEADLINE:

MAY 18

for **JUNE-JULY**

Bulletin

Submit articles to:

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Thank you !

MAY BOARD MEETING

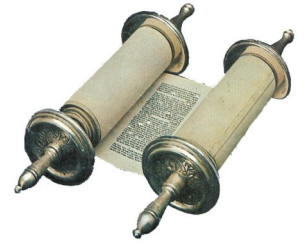
Sunday, MAY 16, 2021

9:00 a.m. at the Synagogue

**If you have an item for the agenda,
please call or e-mail
Tim Birmingham or
Dr. Michael Tobes**



shabbat shalom



MAY SCHEDULE OF READINGS Triennial Readings/Holiday Readings

Saturday	May	1	Morning Service	EMOR	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Leviticus 22:17 - 23:22	
			Haftorah	Ezekiel 44:15 - 31	
Sunday	May	8	Morning Service	BEHAR-BECHUKOTAI	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Leviticus 25:39 - 26:46	
			Haftorah	Jeremiah 16:19 - 17:14	
Saturday	May	15	Morning Service	BAMIDBAR	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 2:1 - 3:13	
			Haftorah	Hosea 2:1 - 22	
Saturday	May	22	Morning Service	NASSO	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 5:11 - 6:27	
			Haftorah	Judges 13:2 - 25	
Saturday	May	29	Morning Service	BEHA'ALOTCHA	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Numbers 9:15 - 10:34	
			Haftorah	Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7	



May 2021

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Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



							1 7:33AM/9:05PM \$9:50PM Service: 9:00 a.m. Parsha: EMOR Bimah: Steve Roosth 19 Iyar/34 L'Omer Yoma 20
2 7:32AM/9:05PM	3 7:31AM/9:06PM	4 7:30AM/9:07PM	5 7:30AM/9:08PM	6 7:29AM/9:08PM	7 7:28AM/9:09PM ij8:51PM	8 7:27AM/9:10PM \$9:55PM Service: 9:00 a.m. Parsha: BEHAR- BECHUKOTAI Bimah: Dr. Stan Weiner	
20 Iyar/35 L'Omer Yoma 21	21 Iyar/36 L'Omer Yoma 22	22 Iyar/37 L'Omer Yoma 23	23 Iyar/38 L'Omer Yoma 24	24 Iyar/39 L'Omer Yoma 25	25 Iyar/40 L'Omer Yoma 26	26 Iyar/41 L'Omer Yoma 27	
9 7:26AM/9:10PM	10 7:25AM/9:11PM \$9:56PM Yom Yerushalayim	11 7:25AM/9:12PM	12 7:24AM/9:13PM Rosh Hodesh	13 7:23AM/9:13PM	14 7:22AM/9:14PM ij8:56PM	15 7:22AM/9:15PM \$10:00PM Service: 9:00 a.m. Parsha: BAMIDBAR Bimah: Kimberly Walls	
27 Iyar/42 L'Omer Yoma 28	28 Iyar/43 L'Omer Yoma 29	29 Iyar/44 L'Omer Yoma 30	1 Sivan/45 L'Omer Yoma 31	2 Sivan/46 L'Omer Yoma 32	3 Sivan/47 L'Omer Yoma 33	4 Sivan/48 L'Omer Yoma 34	
16 7:21AM/9:15PM ij8:57PM Erev Shavuot CAA Board of Trustees Meeting 9:00 a.m.	17 7:20AM/9:16PM \$10:01PM/ij10:01PM Shavuot	18 7:20AM/9:17PM \$10:02PM Shavuot II (Yizkor)	19 7:19AM/9:18PM	20 7:19AM/9:18PM	21 7:18AM/9:19PM ij9:01PM	22 7:18AM/9:20PM \$10:05PM Service: 9:00 a.m. Parsha: NASSO Bimah: Ruth Elmakiss	
5 Sivan/49 L'Omer Yoma 35	6 Sivan Yoma 36	7 Sivan Yoma 37	8 Sivan Yoma 38	9 Sivan Yoma 39	10 Sivan Yoma 40	11 Sivan Yoma 41	
23 7:17AM/9:20PM	24 7:17AM/9:21PM	25 7:16AM/9:22PM	26 7:16AM/9:22PM	27 7:15AM/9:23PM	28 7:15AM/9:23PM ij9:05PM	29 7:15AM/9:24PM \$10:09PM Service: 9:00 a.m. Parsha: BEHA'ALOTCHA Bimah: Tim Birmingham	
12 Sivan Yoma 42	13 Sivan Yoma 43	14 Sivan Yoma 44	15 Sivan Yoma 45	16 Sivan Yoma 46	17 Sivan Yoma 47	18 Sivan Yoma 48	
30 7:14AM/9:25PM	31 7:14AM/9:25PM	NO TORAH STUDY AFTER SERVICES					
19 Sivan Yoma 49	20 Sivan Yoma 50						

[ijCandle Lighting, \$Observance End, Printed April 30, 2021/18 Iyar 5781 for Tyler, TX]

Hello, Book Club Enthusiasts,

Who would have known when we began our book club, we would be faced with a global pandemic, lock-downs and remote virtual computer meetings.

While we have had to put our book club on hold for a while I am happy to be able to share some news.

Mercaz Reads Israel is a virtual book club in connection with Israel Forever (israelforever.org) and Mercaz USA (mercaz.org). This book club is online with a discussion on a selected book with people around the world. Please visit the listed website for more information.

The reading list with tentative dates for book club meetings for 2021 is as follows:

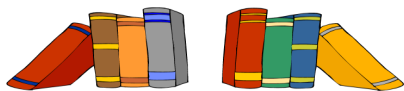
May 2 **CANCELLED**

July 11 Mother of Kings by Rabbi Eliezer Ginsburg

November 7 An Army at Dawn by Rick Atkinson

It is my hope that we can meet in person, or if not, virtually through a computer format. Please contact me if you plan to attend the meetings, or if you need an invitation to a virtual meeting.

Christie Osburn



May Celebrations

Birthdays

2 Carly Maia Karten

Robert Yates

5 Caryn Green

Fred Schumer

Adira Clark

10 Hannah Diane Roosth

Eliana Liat Rey

Elinore Roosth

11 Lev Steingart

14 Toni Roosth

15 Sam Learner

Sara Tobes

17 Adrienne Taxon Indianer

18 Vivian Schumer

19 Ellen Learner

Gabriel Moyal

23 Mona Green Karten

27 Alaina Beaver

Gamaliel Perez-Escamilla

30 Sam Roosth

Anniversaries

3 Kesleigh & William Terry

5 Debbie & Steve Roosth

16 Dee & Chuck Wapner

30 Joanne & Dr. Arthur Frank

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- Sylvan Mellinger Maintenance Fund
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Yahrzeits

MAY 1- MAY 6

NONE

MAY 7 - MAY 13

7 Michael Schumer
 8 Rosa Krumholtz
 9 Paul Forchheimer
 Louis Glasser
 11 Jacob Fridkin
 Mollie Sherman
 Bessie Spero
 12 David Gross
 13 Thelma Sobel

MAY 14 - MAY 20

14 Sam Gross
 15 Sadie (Babe) Lulky Weintraub
 Tanchum Meir Roosth
 Myer Kline
 17 Florence Strum
 18 Isadore Mellinger
 19 Frieda Schumer
 20 Henry Berry
 Doris Ginsburg Diamond

MAY 21 - MAY 27

22 Sadie Wapner
 23 George Vainer
 Isaac Benedict Heffler
 24 Feiga Ginsberg
 Israel Sutton
 27 Louis Sherman

MAY 28 - JUNE 3

28 James Harold Hill
 29 Harry P. Goldberg
 30 Samuel Cohn
 1 Rose Rudman
 2 Dorothy Cohen Smith

JUNE 4 - JUNE 10

4 Thomas Werbner
 5 Robert Muntz
 Sam Sable
 Bill Werbner
 6 Sol Ginsberg
 7 Eugenia Levite
 10 Herman Jay Shafts

JUNE 11 - JUNE 17

12 Francis Fridkin
 13 Fannie Mosier
 14 Nora Modisett

JUNE 18 - JUNE 24

19 Arnette Sutton
 Berma Dean Levine
 20 Bella Rosenberg
 21 Ida Kessler
 22 Harold Samuel Sulsky
 23 Harry Goldberg
 Rabbi Kalman B. Taxon
 Sylvia Wolf

JUNE 25 - JULY 1

25 Nathan Harold Roosth
 26 Bernard Krasner
 29 Rachel Krasner
 30 Tillie Falk
 Sandra Greenberg Sharpe

JULY 2 - JULY 8

2 Abe Laves
 Rena Tobes
 3 David Edward Berlin
 Rose Kapner
 Bessie Luskey Krasner
 7 Rose Greenwald
 Ester Levine
 Rhonda Jackson
 8 David Abramsky

JULY 9 - JULY 15

9 Marvin Miller
 Isadore Roosth
 10 Harry Block
 Lillian Roberts
 12 Merrill Cason
 13 Morris Rosenberg
 Marlin Waghalter
 14 Aleck S. Genecov

JULY 16 - JULY 22

18 David Levy
 Sam Cohen
 Rebecca Lulky
 22 Herman Pines
 Sol Roosth

JULY 23 - JULY 29

23 Lonnie Goldfeder
 24 Harry Kapner
 26 Pearl Levine
 27 Yidus Rudman Scrinopskie
 29 Ella Kelfer
 Jake Davidoff

JULY 30 - JULY 31

31 Albert Weintraub



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FOR RABBI LEARNER
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- **Congregation Ahavath**
- **Achim** will not permit the open
- carry of firearms on synagogue
- property. This includes the Syna-
- gogue building, grounds, and ceme-
- tery. Pursuant to Section 30.07, Pe-
- nal Code (trespass by license holder
- with an openly carried handgun), a
- person licensed under Subchapter
- H, Chapter 411, Government Code
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- enter the property with a handgun
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Upon entering the synagogue, one is welcomed by a beautiful, wooden tree, with golden leaves. This tree is our Tree Of Life and is a way to honor, thank, congratulate, show love, and/or appreciation for a living person in your life. Let's fill our Tree of Life with lots of joy and happiness.

To help you with your wording, please look at the leaves currently on the tree. You will notice that the fewer words, the better, as the letters are larger and can be seen more clearly. We encourage you to follow this formula when you plan the wording for your leaf. If there are too many words, you will be asked to revise the wording and I will give you suggestions for changes. Remember.....simple is better!!

Each leaf is \$100.00 and should take about 3 weeks from order, to receipt, to placement on the tree. You may choose the placement of your leaf. Please consider these things when you are placing an order. If you are interested in a leaf, please contact Leanne the secretary and I will be more than happy to help you!
Thank you, Leanne