

NHBZ Weekly News

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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June 24, 2023 • 5 Tamuz 5783 • Candle Lighting 8:11 pm • Shabbos Concludes 9:15 pm

Parsha Korach **Haftorah Korach** Numbers 16:1 – 18:32 I Samuel 11:14 - 12:22 Chumash pp. 820 – 837 Chumash pp. 1186 - 1187

Thanks to our generous sponsors this Shabbos

The Kiddush lunch is sponsored by Alan & Vivian Zarkowsky in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mazel Tov!

<u>Prayer</u>

Shabbos, Friday, June 23

- 6:30 pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat, Ma'ariv
- 8:11 pm Candle Lighting

Shabbos, Saturday, June 24

9:00 am Shachris followed by Musaf

Pesukei D'Zimra: Mateo John Shacharis: Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky

Leyning: Stuart Klamen

■ 10:00 – 11:30 am Youth Program (downstairs)

• 10:00 – 10:45 am "Soul Building" with Rabbi Yosef David (downstairs in the Chapel)

Today's Topic: "TBA"

- 7:20 pm Shiur from Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky
- 7:50 pm Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, Ma'ariv
- 9:15 pm Shabbos concludes



	Fri	Shabbos	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Shabbos
	Jun 23	Jun 24	Jun 25	Jun 26	Jun 27	Jun 28	Jun 29	Jun 30	Jul 1
Shachris (am)	7:00	9:00	8:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	9:00
Mincha/Ma'ariv (pm)	6:30	7:50	6:30	6:30	6:30	6:30	6:30	6:30	7:50

Relocation of Classes

"Soul Building" with Rabbi Yosef David will meet in the Chapel (downstairs), while the Youth Program uses the Feigenbaum/Pepose Multipurpose Room.

The Rabbis' weekday classes will meet upstairs in the Social Area. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!



Haftorah: Richard Woolf

Sermon: Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky

Musaf: David Rubin

Congregation News

Mazel Tov on Simchas This Week! June 24 - June 30, 2023

Happy Anniversary

Alan & Vivian Zarkowsky

Boris & Alla Yasinev

June 24

June 26

Jeff & Irena Scheer

June 27





Coming Events

- This Shabbos, June 24
- Sunday, June 25, 5–7 pm
- Shabbos, July 1
- Shabbos, July 8

- Kiddush lunch in honor of Alan & Vivian Zarkowsky's 50th Wedding Anniversary
- Lion's Den PIZZA NIGHT
- Kiddush sponsored by The Alper Family in honor of the birthdays of Joanna, Fran and Caryn Alper
- 2023 Graduation Shabbos, SAVE THE DATE

What's APP NHBZ?!



If you haven't already joined the NHBZ What's App Group, it's never too late! The best way to know the latest news, events and volunteering opportunities is through our What's App group chat. Be in the know.

https://chat.whatsapp.com/l93gZD69vU07X7k3iVLmKx

Project "Informaton Update" In Full Swing

We mailed members a printout of the information we have for members and their families. Please review the information and send any corrections to the Office. If everything looks ok, please let us know that too! [By the way: the database requires a year for every birthday. You are not required to provide your age. If we don't know your year of birth, it gets entered as "1900".] Thank you for your time and effort in this very important project.

It's PIZZA NIGHT, This Sunday, June 25, 5:00 - 7:00 PM

The Lion's Den is OPEN! Fresh, hot, delicious KOSHER pizza!

Good food and great fun for kids of all ages! And, who doesn't love a good slice o' pie?

Pizza. Pasta. Salad. Fun.

Adults \$15; Kids 4-10 \$7; Kids 3 and under FREE!

All food under supervision of Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky.



2023 Graduation Shabbos, July 8, 2023





We are CELEBRATING accomplishments on July 8, 2023!

From nursery school to post-graduate degrees, we want to join in the celebration! Children, grandchildren, parents and friends – all graduations welcome!

We will publish the graduates (and their accomplishment) in the July 8 Weekly News. Join us for sweet snacks at Kiddush as we say "Mazel Tov! Well done! Keep up the good work!"

Please fill out this <u>form</u>, use the QR code or call the Office at 314.991.2100, ext. 2 with the information on your graduate.

Gateway to Tefilla: Making Davening Meaningful, Wednesdays, 7:00 pm

Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky will help us deepen our comprehension of our prayers, the meaning and significance of the words we say. With a better understanding, we get closer to HaShem. Mark your calendars to join us on this sacred journey. All levels of knowledge encouraged to attend. (Class will begin after Mincha/Ma'ariv at 6:30pm. Please make every effort to join the Minyan! And, stay for the class.) – No Class Wednesday, June 28, 2023

Rabbi Emeritus Ze'ev Smason at the Crown Center

Ever wonder how to "live your best life"? **Rabbi Emeritus Ze'ev Smason** will be leading a themed monthly discussion entitled "Living Your Best Life: Ways to Jewish Wisdom". June's discussion theme is "How to Love Humanity." Please join the discussion on Monday, June 26 at Noon in the Crown Library, 8350 Delcrest Drive.

NHBZ Rabbi Liaison Committee

Did you know that we have a Rabbi Liaison Committee? The purpose of this committee is to facilitate communication between our congregation and our Rabbi. Rabbi Bogopulsky is always available to our members, and direct communication is recommended and encouraged. We understand there may be issues you would like help discussing, or that you would prefer to remain confidential. Committee members **Joni Kaiser, Margo Tzadok, Dan Winograd** and **Janet Haber** are happy to hear your ideas, suggestions, compliments and constructive comments.

Learning at NHBZ

Parsha Korach

The rebellion of Korach (the name of the cousin of Moses and Aaron), and his followers, brings out a side of Moshe (Moses) Rabbeinu (our great rabbi [teacher]) that has not yet been seen. Moshe's role is usually that of caring shepherd and intercessor for Klal Yisrael when they sin. On their journey from Mitzrayim (Egypt) to Eretz Yisrael (the land of Israel), Moshe always pleads with Hashem (The Almighty) to be understanding and merciful, to forgive the offenses committed against Him. Now, however, Moshe's attitude seems to change.

When Korach questions his authority, Moshe seeks only justice! Why, asks Rabbeinu Bachya, does Moshe respond differently than he did by the sin of the golden calf and the sin of the spies, when G-d's supremacy was challenged? Is it possible that Moshe is more protective of his own honor than of Hashem's?

Undoubtedly, the Jews' faith in Hashem, which should have remained firm after all they had witnessed during the exodus, was sorely lacking during the sin of the golden calf and the sin of the spies. These two sins surely mark two of the lowest moments in our people's collective history. These situations, orchestrated by Hashem, gave the Jewish people opportunities to succeed and grow. Whether at the shores of Yam Suf (sea of reeds), the foot of Sinai, or the border of Israel, Klal Yisrael (the people of Israel) is challenged by Hashem to rely on Him and Him alone.

These circumstances can be viewed as tests from Hashem, tests that the Jews failed one hundred percent, causing the sinful behavior that followed. Yet, in their defense, the Jewish people perceived themselves during those periods as being in a state of national crisis. Was it easy for a nation so dependent on Moshe to deal with the possibility of continuing on in the wilderness without his leadership? Was it easy for a people, unaccustomed to fighting, to envision conquering the land of Israel? They may have done poorly on these exams, but even the process of failing can be a source of future strength. Moshe, therefore, pleads again and again with Hashem to give them another chance.

Korach and his followers, though, did not deserve that second chance. It is one thing to face a challenge and fail. But to create a crisis, to sow the seeds of disunity within the Jewish people, to generate strife and unnecessarily challenge the leadership of the Jewish people, these sins cannot be excused or forgiven. Korach took his personal agenda and planted it on the national stage. He put Klal Yisrael at risk. This type of threat cannot be overlooked or tolerated.

Rabbi Marc Penner

Young Israel of Holliswood, Holliswood, Queens, N.Y.

Rabbi Bogopulsky Classes on Hiatus, Week of June 26, 2023

Please note that Rabbi Bogopulsky's "Journey through the Chumash" (Tuesdays, Noon) and "Gateway to Tefilla: Making Davening Meaningful" (Wednesdays, after Mincha/Ma'ariv) are on hiatus this week. There will not be a class on Tuesday, June 27 nor Wednesday, June 28. See you next week!

On-Going Classes

- Gemara Learning with Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky, Weekdays, 6:15 am
- St. Louis Kollel Amud-a-Week, Mondays, 8:00 pm
- "Journey through the Chumash" with Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky, Tuesdays No Class 6/27 Take an amazing journey of learning! Step by step, we will explore the Chumash.
- Pirkei Avos / Ethics of the Fathers with Rabbi Ze'ev Smason, Wednesdays, 12:15 pm
 Feed your soul 45 minutes of spiritual nourishment from the timeless wisdom of our Sages, full of relevant, contemporary insights and lessons. Low-calorie, gluten free, and refreshing!
- "Gateway to Tefilla" with Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky, Wednesdays No Class 6/28
 Deepen your understanding of the prayers we say.
- Book of Kings with Rabbi Ze'ev Smason, Monday-Thursday, 3:00 pm (On Zoom!)
 An online class providing an exciting and informative look into the lives of Israel's early kings and prophets. Thirty-minute sessions on Zoom. Join class via this link:
 https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78974795850?pwd=tw7llOVumZ8QelPxHvApYZsox8VUem.1
- Kitzur Shulchan Aruch with Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky, Sunday-Thursday, 6:50 pm
 Invest a few minutes (right before Ma'ariv!) to expand your understanding of Halacha/Jewish Law.
- "Soul Building" Series with Rabbi Yosef David, Every Shabbos, 10:00 am (downstairs)
- Pre-Mincha Shiur with Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky, Every Shabbos afternoon, before Mincha
- Mishna Learning with Rabbi Chanan Swidler, Every Sunday morning, after Shachris

New NHBZ Book Giving & Dedication Opportunity (Revised, June 2023)

Please help Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky build up our Shul library. The books listed below, unless otherwise indicated, are in English, allowing for independent study and learning. Giving to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion provides you with an opportunity to fulfill the important mitzvah of contributing tzedakah (charity). Dedication of books is a wonderful opportunity to honor a Simcha or to remember a loved one. Please consider donating one or more of the following:

Artscroll Chumash Mikraos Gedolos (Hebrew)

\$55 One volume

\$250 Five volume set

Artscroll Gemara Arachin

\$60 One volume (2 copies requested for Amud-a-Week use)

Artscroll Gemara Pesachim

\$60 One volume (2 copies requested for Shabbos afternoon class)

Artscroll Sefer Hachinuch

\$55 One volume

\$500 Ten volume set

Metsudah Kitzur Shulchan Aruch

\$90 Two volume (Regular Size)

Kitzur Shulchan Aruch (Hebrew)

\$20 One volume

Kitzur Shulchan Aruch (Hebrew) with Piskei Teshuvos

\$90 Two volume set

Mishnah Berurah (Hebrew)

\$125 Six volume set

\$50 Individual volumes with English transliteration and elucidation (Consult with Rabbi Bogopulsky)

Dedications inscribed in each book donated. Please contact Rabbi Bogopulsky with any questions or to dedicate other volumes not listed here.

Contact the Office by phone (314-991-2100, ext 2) or email (office@nhbz.org) to place your order.



THE SISTERHOOD SO JUNE 24



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Sisterhood Book Club News

Book Club's next book is *The Golem and the Jinni: A Novel*, by Helene Wecker. The book will be discussed on **Monday**, **July 31**, **7:15-8:45 PM** at the home of *Sharon Summers*. Combining the genre of historical fiction with elements of fantasy, this inventive and delightful novel tells the story of two



magical creatures in 19th century New York City.

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September 11 – One Hundred Saturdays:
Stella Levi and the Search for a Lost World, by
Michael Frank at the home of Sallie Volotzky

November 13 – The Company I Keep: My Life in Beauty, by Leonard Lauder; Location: TBA All women are welcome! For more info contact Fran Alper: 314-993-4024; fran.alper@outlook.com or sisterhood@nhbz.org

What's Bugging the Newlyweds?

A newlywed couple checked into a suite at the Watergate Hotel in Washington for their honeymoon... The bride was worried that the place might still be bugged, so she asked her husband to search the room thoroughly...

He looked behind the curtains, under the bed, in the closets, and finally under the rug... And there, beneath the rug, he found a mysterious disc with four screws... Using his Swiss army knife, he undid the screws and threw the disc out the window!...

The following morning, as they were checking out, the hotel manager asked: "So how was your stay?... How was the service?... Was everything OK - any issues?"...

The groom was suspicious. "Why are you asking me so many questions?"

"Well," said the manager, "the suite under you complained that the chandelier fell on them!"

KORACH: 'Two Women'

What possibly could have led Korach to stir up a rebellion against his cousins Moses and Aaron, with the aim of replacing Aaron as High Priest? And what saved Ohn ben Peles—one of Korach's many followers—who at the last moment dropped out of the dispute and was thereby saved from the terrible fate of Korach and his supporters? According to the sages both questions have the same answer: a woman behind the scenes!

Korach's wife was ambitious and politically minded. She resented the fact that her husband, undeniably a man of great learning and talent, had been passed over. She pointed out to her husband that Moses had chosen the "plum jobs" for himself and his brother Aaron and passed over Korach for leadership roles. Her deep resentment was transmitted to her husband who became the leader of a rebellion which ended very badly for him and his followers.

And what of Ohn ben Peles? He began as a follower of Korach, but his wife could see that this was a completely false path. The Midrash tells us that she was determined to prevent him from joining Korach's group. She convinced her husband that he would gain nothing from the rebellion and prevented the other leaders of the rebellion from forcing her husband to join them. She saved her husband and her entire family from destruction.

This shows us one dimension of womanhood: her power to persuade. The story of Adam and Eve and many other incidents in the Torah reiterate this theme.

In an open society like ours, where people have to be convinced of the right path rather than simply instructed along it, this power becomes particularly important. It represents a different approach to life than that which has been dominant for most epochs of history. Instead of assertion of authority, gentle persuasion can be effective. Another aspect of womanhood is even more profound. This is her ability to see through false appearances and discover the path which is true and good. During the generation of Jews enslaved in Egypt when the men had fallen into abject despair it was the women who had hope and faith and therefore succeeded in preserving the existence of the Jewish people. In their merit the Jews were redeemed. Why do women have this extra sensitivity? "An extra measure of understanding was given to the woman," says the Talmud. It is a Divine gift. Women also have a special spiritual power. The Lubavitcher Rebbe has repeatedly stated that, as in the time of the Exodus from Egypt, through the merit of Jewish women today the Messiah will come. This is the ultimate dimension of womanhood!

- adapted from **Dr. Tali Loewenthal**, chabad.org

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Sunday, June 25th • 5:00-7:00 pm

Dine-In Buffet - Adults: \$15.00 ~ Kids 4-10: \$7.00 ~ Kids 3 & under: FREE Cheese is Cholov Yisroel: pareve crusts available upon request. All food under the supervision of Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky









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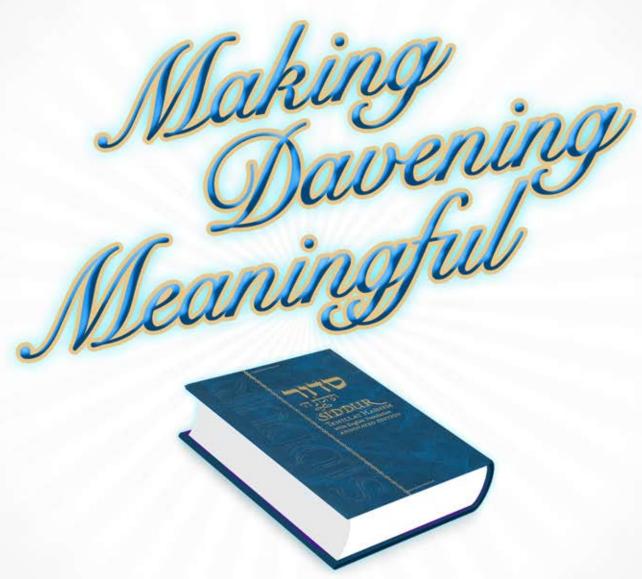
YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A

New Weekly Class

BEGINNING WEDNESDAY JUNE 14.

Led by our very own Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky!

GATEWAY TO TEFILLA:



Wednesdays Evenings at 7:00pm. beginning on Wednesday, June 14. Mincha/Maariv 6:30 followed by class at 7:00.