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Uri and Belinda Feldman in honor of our beloved son **Sammy's** Bar Mitzvah on Thursday July 1st and for our 18 year wedding anniversary on July 3rd. We welcome our family and friends who have joined us. We thank **Rabbi Reich, Rabbi Miller, and Luis Nurco** for teaching **Sammy** with so much warmth and kindness. We are so proud of **Sammy!**

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the **Borok family** in loving memory of **Dov Borok – David Hilel ben Shmuel**, to commemorate his first Yahrzeit this week. May his Neshama have an Aliyah.

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Raphy and Michal, and Malka, Eliana, Ariel, Rina, Gavriel and Lital Shapiro in appreciation of the wonderful Adat Community which we've called home for the last ten years. As we begin a new journey in Israel, we will always cherish our dear friends and memories in La Jolla. Thank you to **Rabbi and Brooke Reich and Rabbi Jeff and Shoshie Wohlgeleinter** for being great leaders and role models to our family. We will miss you all, and hope to see everyone very soon in Israel!

**KIDDUSH IS CO-SPONSORED
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Peter and Gale Shoikhet in memory of our beloved father and grandfather **Moshe ben Yitzchok Shoikhet**. May his Neshama have an Aliyah.

MINYON SCHEDULE

7/2 Shacharit.....6:45 a.m.
7/2 Plag.....6:31 p.m.
7/2 Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:45 p.m.
7/2 Candles by.....7:10 p.m.
7/3 Shacharit.....9:00 a.m.
7/3 Sh'ma: Latest Time.....9:19 a.m.
7/3 Mincha.....7:35 p.m.
7/3 Shabbat Ends/Ma'ariv.....8:45 p.m.

THIS COMING WEEK

7/4/2021 - 7/9/2021

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sun. Shacharit.....8:30 a.m.
Mon. & Thu. Shacharit.....6:30 a.m.
Tue., Wed., & Fri. Shacharit.....6:45 a.m.
Sun. - Thu. Mincha/Ma'ariv.....7:45 p.m.

CLASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - Thursday
Talmud in Depth (RJW).....7:45 a.m.
Sunday, Tuesday - Thursday
Daf Yomi (RJW).....8:30 p.m.
Monday
Pirkei Avot (RJW).....8:30 p.m.
Daf Yomi (RJW).....9:15 p.m.
Tuesday
Women's Class (RJW).....11:00 a.m.

Rabbi Reich will be away until 7/9/21.

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Available Kiddush Options:

- \$295 - Regular Kiddush Sponsor
- \$175 - Regular Kiddush Co-Sponsor
- \$800 - Dairy Deluxe Kiddush *
- \$950 - Fleishig Deluxe Kiddush *
- \$175 - Shalosh Seudos

* - **Please note both Deluxe Kiddush options REQUIRE at least 2 WEEKS notice to the Shul office.**

DATES THAT ARE AVAILABLE:

July 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st

Contact the office at (858) 535-1196 or info@adatyeshurun.org to sponsor.

In Memory of Linda Neiman

**THE CONGREGATION ADAT YESHURUN
WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN**

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Pinchas

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This Week's Torah Reading

**The Torah Reading begins on page 612 in the Hirsch and page 876 in the Stone.
The Haftorah begins on page 902 in the Hirsch and page 1190 in the Stone.**

WE FIND IN this week's parsha the second half of the story of Pinchas, his act of zealotry against Zimri and Cosbi, and the subsequent reward he receives from G-d. Our sages comment that Pinchas was indeed justified in his deed because he saw Zimri performing, not only a prohibited action, but one that was causing great harm to the Jewish people. The halacha is as follows: If one sees a Jewish man cohabiting with a non-Jewish woman, a zealot is permitted to kill him. However, our sages say even though this is the halacha we in fact do not render the halacha this way in practice. Our sages explain: It is only the one who is seized with passion and anger at the sight of the desecration of the name of G-d who is permitted to carry out this law. If one questions the halacha and seek counsel on the practical observance then, say our sages, this proves the individual is not a zealot. Therefore the law does not apply to him. It is not zealotry being celebrated in this parsha. Rather it is Pinchas, who used this trait with Divine enlightenment, who is being lauded.

ONEWONDERS HOW is it possible the Torah could sanction such an action, and how G-d could give Pinchas the blessing of peace. This certainly was not an act of peace. He was not following in the footsteps of Aharon, who was the quintessential lover and follower of peace. It has been explained that there are two ways to achieve peace. Sometimes it is necessary to use the path of appeasement, kindness, and sweet words; other times it is necessary to obliterate the problem in order to restore peace to the given situation. Aharon exemplified the former with an ability to instill peace among people with softness and kindness, whereas Pinchas exemplified the art of understanding when it is necessary to use a firm hand in order to ensure that there will be shalom. For this reason G-d rewarded him with the covenant of peace and everlasting priesthood. So the people would understand, as harsh as it might seem, Pinchas had, in fact, acted with the sanction of Heaven.

IT IS AT the end of this incident that G-d commands Moshe to destroy the Midianites. This is a repayment for having misled the Jewish people, plotting against them with Peor, and for sending Cosbi (the daughter of a Midianite prince) to entice the Jewish people. This plot, which was instigated by Bilaam, caused the death of 24,000 Jews through plague.

AFTER THE PLAGUE Hashem commands Moshe to take a new census. Rashi explains this can be compared to a shepherd whose flock was attacked by wolves and many of his sheep were killed. After he chases away the wolves, the shepherd looks over

his flock to assess the damage and count how many sheep are left alive.

NEXT G-D SPEAKS to Moshe saying: divide the land as an inheritance among the tribes. To larger tribes he is to give larger portions and to the smaller tribes, smaller portions. Each tribe received a hereditary portion in accordance with this tally. This is when the general rule of land being inherited by sons was laid down to the Jewish people. The Torah describes the petition presented by the daughters of Tzelophehad, whom many identify as the daughters of the stick gatherer, killed in the desert. Tzelophehad's daughters told Moshe that their father had died in the desert, though he was not from the party of Korach and his followers. Their father's name and his family would be at a disadvantage because he had no sons, and they therefore requested a portion of land from their father's brothers. Moshe Rabbeinu, unsure of the required response, sought an answer from G-d.

CHAZAL EXPLAINS THAT the law had slipped Moshe's mind as punishment for his rather bold statement that he could deal with all the difficult cases that could not be handled by the lower courts. The Ramban believes Moshe's forgetfulness was hidden in Chazal's statement that all fifty gates of understanding were granted to Moshe except for one. This fiftieth level of understanding was not attained by Moshe and explains why some portions of the Torah were only written down after Moshe came and asked specific questions to Hashem. Commentaries tell us that Tzelophehad's daughters explained that their father had died for gathering sticks on Shabbos, and that his intention in desecrating Shabbos was for the sake of Heaven. He wanted the people to understand there are consequences to their actions. Moshe Rabbeinu was unable to know this or judge whether or not their father had acted for the sake of Heaven. He therefore passed on his case to Hashem, who examines the hearts and intentions of all men. It was through this request of Tzelophehad's daughters that Hashem commanded that they, and all women in fact, were eligible for inheritance in the absence of sons.

AFTER THIS INCIDENT Moshe Rabbeinu was told to climb to the top of the mountain, to the east of the Dead Sea where he would be able to see the land that would be given to the Jewish people. Moshe was told that here he would be gathered to his people just as Aharon was, as a punishment for his actions with the rock. The parsha goes on to describe how Yehoshua was chosen to replace Moshe Rabbeinu.

THE FINAL SECTIONS of this week's parsha deal with the daily sacrifice, the additional sacrifice for Shabbos, the New Moon offering, and the Passover, Shavuot, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur and Sukkos offerings. It is in this section of the Torah that all of the holidays of the year are described vis a vis their karbonos, sacrifices.

Mazel Tov

to
Uri and Belinda Feldman on
Sammy's Bar Mitzvah,

and to
Aaron Feldman on his grandson,
Sammy's Bar Mitzvah.



MIKVAH APPOINTMENTS
(858) 535-1072

Shalom Kehillat Adat Yeshurun:

We are fortunate to be fully open to all once again, and week after week, seeing new and old faces at shul. One of the hallmarks of our shul is the sense of community and warmth. Over the past year with COVID, it has been hard to impart that sense while being "socially distant" was the rule. Some people are still tentative about being close...but slowly the warmth of our embracing kehilla is coming back. Hang around after shul on Shabbat for kiddush and introduce yourself to someone new, whether they be a member or a guest.

Consider inviting someone to experience our shul, or to meet in person with Rabbi Reich to get to know him. We will be holding a newcomers shabbat lunch at the end of July to have our newer members meet each other. So if you or someone you know have been considering joining, now is the time to take that step, contact the office for the membership application, and join in the newcomers lunch.

We have great plans for the upcoming year, which you will hear about at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Don't forget to mark your calendars for August 1st where we will be holding our AGM IN PERSON at the shul.

This upcoming week, the following members are observing yahrzeit: Brenda Abelkop, Karen Aron, Liza Blumenfeld, Bernice Borok, Jonny Borok, Larry Burstein, Eva Eiseman, Jack Forman, Julian Frank, Samuel Galek, Charles Jaffe, Gershon Jaffe, Stephanie Krasner, Rebeca Krinsky, Elana Rezmovitch, Polina Sisman, Bessie Wainstein, and Jackie Woolf.

We wish them Long Life and may the Nishmot of those departed have an Aliyah.

Shabbat Shalom,
Brian

MISSION STATEMENT

Congregation Adat Yeshurun is a vibrant and welcoming Orthodox congregation that is committed to Torah, the State of Israel and strengthening Jewish identity and practice. Adat's diverse membership comes together to grow spiritually and intellectually within a caring and supportive community.

WE THANK OUR SECURITY VOLUNTEERS

Friday Evening

6:45 p.m. ***Need Volunteers!***

7:20 p.m. ***Need Volunteers!***

Shabbat Morning

9:00 a.m. ***Need Volunteers!***

9:30 a.m. ***Need Volunteers!***

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11:00 a.m. ***Need Volunteers!***

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OUR SECURITY

If you would like to assist us in keeping our community safe, please volunteer your service or fulfill the duties assigned to you. Anyone wishing to be added for security duty can email the office or speak with Moises Eilemberg.

ADAT YESHURUN BROTHERHOOD

Ever wished you had the chance to get to know some of the great guys in shul better? We are forming an adult male "Brotherhood" for Adat. The Brotherhood will give our men the chance to have some fun, make some new friends, and get to know old ones better through socially intriguing and exciting events. The first event will be announced soon. Don't miss out! Just email your name to AdatBrotherhood@gmail.com to get on the event notification list. There is no obligation to attend or cost to sign up.

Please note Rabbi and Brooke Reich will be away on holiday from June 16th and returning on July 9th. If you have an emergency and need to speak with Rabbi, you may reach him at (732) 715-1115 or via email at rabbireich@adatyeshurun.org

CHECK OUT THE NEW KOSHER RESTAURANT AT THE JCC

The new restaurant at the JCC, **BOTANIC BURGERS**, is open!!

Check it out [CLICK HERE](#)

It is open Sunday - Thursday and it is under the supervision of the VAAD.

SPECIAL SHALOSH SEUDOS GUEST SPEAKERS!

The following guest speaker will be speaking at Shalosh Seudos:

7/3 - Tsvi Goldenberg

Join us Shabbat afternoon at our community Shalosh Seudos!

Pirkei Avot

Come and learn firsthand the timeless wisdom of our sages. This lively class is a must for those who want to deepen their knowledge and understanding of how the Torah sees our development as incredible human being. Each week is a stand alone class of inspiration and uplifting thoughts.

Every Monday at 8:30 p.m.

Rabbi Wohlgernter's Zoom Room

<https://zoom.us/j/6107329485>

Meeting ID: 610 732 9485

Password - 123

Womens' Mesillat Yesharim Path of the Just

Mesillat Yesharim Path of the Just. Join us and learn how to strengthen your Jewish Character. The study of mussar is the study of how and why a Jew is meant to think. Lively, participatory class.

Every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.

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Daf Yomi

Daf Yomi is a worldwide program in which students learn a page a day of the Talmud, our ancient repository of law, stories, mysticism, and more. It is an awesome way to get a smattering and exposure to the world of Talmud study and a great view of the landscape of Torah. One of the biggest yields of Daf Yomi is the YOMI, daily engagement in serious Torah study. Come and see that many of our students have no prior background in Talmud study, but show up with a great desire to learn.

Sun., Tue. - Thu at 8:30 p.m.

Monday 9:15 p.m.

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Talmud in Depth

Talmud in Depth meets Sunday through Thursday, on zoom, currently studying Tractate Megilla. We go slow, in-depth, with an eye towards Halacha. It is a lively class with tons of participation. A really great way to get your feet wet in learning Gemarah.

Sunday - Thursday at 7:45 a.m.

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