

Ha Shavuah B' Sha'arey Israel

(this week at CSI)

March 5 - 12 , 2009

Adar 9 - 16, 5769

Don't forget to set your
clocks forward one hour
Saturday night



Candle lighting time 6:17 p.m.
Friday March 6

Friday Evening Kabbalat Shabbat Services begin at 6:15 p.m.
Saturday morning Shabbat Services begin at 9:30 a.m.

Parashat Tetzevah (Torah commentary on pg. 4)
Shabbat Zachor

Annual: Exodus 27:20 - 30:10 (Etz Hayim, p. 503)

Triennial: Exodus 28:31 - 29:18 (Etz Hayim, p. 508)

Haftarah: I Samuel 15:2 - 34 (Etz Hayim, p. 1282)



We wish a Happy Birthday this week to:

Saul Winer, Seth Brown, James Bernstein and Robert Vaughan

And Happy Anniversary to:

Carol & Mike Bashuk, Francie & Gerald Marshall and Bess & Arnold Cotton

This week we remember the Yahrzeit of:

Israel Graber, Marcia Singer, Pauline Pessia Polevsky, Norma Potosky, Allan Schustek, Edith Lease Nathan, Phillip Epstein, William Mark, Mose Simmons, Edith Abrams, David Coolik, Dana Koplin, Lawrence Haskins, Sonia Cohen, Bessie Klein, and Esther Goodrich Padove

This week's Sunday School principal will be Richard Singer



MAKE A NOTE OF THESE PURIM EVENTS:

March 8 - Purim Play 10:15
Purim Carnival 11:00 - 1:00

March 9 - Purim Family dinner -hot dogs and hamburger
Dinner \$10 adults * \$7 kids * kids under 3 eat free



***if you require a vegetarian meal PLEASE call the office right away to reserve a special meal**

Megillah Reading following dinner -  is the word

March 10 - 9:00 Megillah reading & service followed by Purim Seudah



It's not too late to get your own Purim graggers from the CSI gift shop. Call Terri or Deborah today and show up to Megillah Reading in STYLE!

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Please join the Kruger and Rainbow Families  
For the naming of Allie Ivzy Rainbow

Saturday March 14 9:30 a.m.

and for a Kiddush luncheon to follow



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Interested in participating more in Shabbat service?

Lead a portion of services
Read Torah
Chant the Haftarah

Call Rabbi Bat-Or and she will help you make it happen.



Rachel Schlesinger and Hannah Toland– nominated for this year's Golden Eagle award

Bess Cotton for being named Career Woman's Network's 2009 Woman of Achievement

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**Lunch & Learn** meets at Barnes & Noble on  
Wednesdays at noon



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If you have some free time during the week of April 14 - 21 the Bibb County schools need volunteers to serve as proctors for the CRCT tests. To volunteer at Springdale call Rhonda Koplin. Proctors are assigned to each classroom to assist in administering this test. Proctors should plan to arrive at Springdale at 8:30 a.m. and will be asked to stay until approximately 12:00 noon. If you would rather volunteer at another school just give that school a call.

**Scholar-in-Residence Weekend
March 20 – 22, 2009**

Featuring Dr. James Bowley, professor at Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi . Dr. Bowley has crafted a varied line-up of timely, important topics for his weekend in Macon. We hope that you will attend this imaginative lecture series

Friday Night, March 20 – Shabbat Dinner*
“The After Life of the Dead Sea Scrolls”

Saturday, March 21 – D’var Torah
“Beauty Will Save the World” (from Va-yahel – Pekudei)

Saturday Evening – Community-wide Presentation
“Judeo-Christian and Other Political Inventions”

Sunday, March 22 – Brunch Presentation*
“Dressing Jewish in the Bible Belt” (The Bible Through Jewish Eyes)

All scholar-in-residence events are offered free of charge.*

We MUST have your rsvp for Friday dinner and Sunday Brunch by Tuesday March 17

*Scholar-in-Residence programs are provided through the Cultural Affairs fund which is funded through the Wall of Jerusalem. Additional funding for this weekend is provided through a generous contribution to CSI in honor of Jami Gaudet by the family of Connie Hart.

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**Don’t forget the CSI Gift Shop for all your gift needs.**  
Graduations \* Weddings \* Birthdays \* Anniversaries  
Lots of great Purim and Passover items!



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 **Now you can find CSI on Facebook**
Join our group **CSI Macon Friends & Family**

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There are still two easy ways for you to help  
Congregation Sha’arey Israel make a little extra money

1. visit [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) for your online searches. This won’t cost you anything but CSI makes a penny each time to search
2. for all your online shopping needs go to [csimacon.org](http://csimacon.org) and click on our Amazon.com link.

every time you



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**NEW**

The Amazon.com has launched a brand new tool that enables customers to find car parts for a specific year, make and model in just one click.



## Parashat Tetzaveh

*This week's Torah Commentary was written for MyJewishLearning.com*

And Moses," God commands, "you shall command the sons of Israel to use pure olive oil for kindling the light of the lamps. Aaron shall set up this light to burn continuously in the sanctuary. It will serve as a light for God for all generations.

"Have Aaron and his sons serve Me as priests. Make for them sacred garments using fine linen, gold and blue, purple and scarlet yarns. Make for them a breast-piece, an ephod, a robe, a tunic of checkered work and a sash. These garments must always be worn when officiating in My sanctuary.

"For Aaron's ephod, take two lazuli stones and engrave in gold on them the names of the tribes of Israel. Thus Aaron shall carry their names before God as a remembrance."

"In the sanctuary," says God, "Aaron shall wear a pure gold Breastplate of Judgment, with engraved stones representing the tribes of Israel. Aaron's robe for officiating will be pure turquoise wool with bells of gold all around. In this way, the sound of the bells can be heard when the High Priest comes into the Lord's sanctuary and when he goes out, so that he may not die.

"For Aaron's forehead, you shall make a head-plate of pure gold inscribed with: 'Holy to The Lord.' Thus Aaron shall bring forgiveness for sins in which a sacred offering is offered."

"Make tunics, sashes and turbans of fine embroidered linen for the sons of Aaron to give them dignity and glory. Anoint them and invest them with the full authority to serve Me as priests. They shall only wear linen when serving Me officially.

"Here is how to sanctify Aaron and his sons as priests," God continues. "First prepare a young bull and two rams without blemish, and some matzah bread and matzah cakes kneaded with oil. Have Aaron and his sons bathe, then dress in their holy garments. Place the anointing oil upon Aaron's head.

"Then Aaron and his sons will bring the bull and the basket with the matzah bread to the front of the Tent of Appointed Meeting. They shall hold the bull as it is slaughtered before God. Take some of the bull's blood and with your finger, place blood on the elevated corners of the altar and its base. Parts of the bull will burn at the altar while other parts shall burn in a fire outside the camp. This is an offering that clears sin.

"Slaughter a ram and place the ram's blood on the garments of Aaron and his sons. Have them take parts of the ram and some of the matzah and wave them. This shall be a wave offering before God.

"The offerings on the altar which rise up in smoke shall be an expression of compliance to God. They are fire offerings to God.

"Another ram shall be now be cooked in this holy place. Aaron and his sons shall eat this ram. No stranger may eat of it.

"Seven days shall you perform atonement upon the altar and sanctify it. Henceforth the altar shall be a holy of holies. Whatever touches the altar will remain holy."

God continues to Moses, "At the Tent of Appointed Meetings, I will set times for Myself to meet with the sons of Israel. I will sanctify Aaron and his sons as My priests. I will dwell in the midst of the sons of Israel, and I will be their God. They will experience that I, God, am their God, who brought them out from the land of *Mitzrayim* (Egypt) in order to dwell in their midst.

"Make an altar with incense which Aaron shall make go up in smoke each morning. It shall be a continual incense before God. Once a year, Aaron shall make atonement for sins upon this altar. This annual atonement is holy of holies to God."

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**For other commentaries on this week's Torah portion check out these sites:**

[Aish.com](http://Aish.com)  
[AJU](http://AJU)  
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[Audio Siddur](#)  
[Global Jewish News Service](#)  
[Crash Course in Jewish History](#)  
[The Jewish Ethicist](#)  
[The Jewish Women's Archive](#)  
[Hadassah](#)  
[Synagogue 3000](#)  
[Learn through USCJ online](#)  
[AJU - Walking with God series](#)  
[The William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum](#)  
[Purim Information](#)

**For the children (or the young at heart):**

[Torah Portion Coloring Pages](#)  
[Babaganews Torah Parasha of the week movie](#)  
[Winter 2009 Edition of UCSJ's magazine \*Your Child\*](#)