



## This Week at Chabad Lubavitch of Maine



CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES  
FOR  
PORTLAND:

Friday, Aug. 27 7:07 pm

Torah Portion: [Ki Tavo](#)

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## Message from the Rabbi

Dear Friends,

This weeks Torah portion opens with a commandment to bring the first fruits of the years harvest as a gift to G-d. When bringing the fruit to the Temple, the owner proclaims his gratitude to G-d for His abundant blessings of the past and a request for continued prosperity in the future.

Although we do not have a Temple today and the obligation of the first fruits is suspended until Moshiach comes, we can still fulfil this mitzvah by dedicating the best part of our lives to G-d. This can mean the first part of our days should be devoted to prayer and Torah study, the best of our talents should be utilized for divine purposes, and most importantly, always finding new and innovative ways to serve our Creator.

Doing this guarantees that we will continue succeeding in all that we do, enhancing our lives spiritually and materially, growing and climbing in all matters of positivity.

Shabbat shalom.

Rabbi Wilansky



# Selichot this Saturday Night



As we prepare for the High Holidays, join us for a Selichot Service this Saturday night, 8/28.

**11:30 pm** Learning session with refreshments

**12:00 am** Selichot

To learn more about Selichot, [click here](#).



# The High Holidays: September 6-16

Join us for  
**THE HIGH  
HOLIDAYS**



This Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, join us for services.

[Click here](#) to see the schedule of services and learn all about the High Holidays.



Please join us for a Rosh Hashana Dinner on the evening of  
Monday, September 6.

RSVP: [chana@chabadofmaine.com](mailto:chana@chabadofmaine.com)



Round Rosh Hashana Challahs for sale!

Plain or Raisin | \$7.00 per challah

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# Fresh Challah & Babka at the Scarborough Farmer's Market!



Fresh, homemade, kosher, and delicious Challah and Babka for  
sale at the Scarborough Farmer's Market this Sunday, 8/29,  
9:00am-1:00pm!

Vegan Challah with Herbs de Provence  
Everything Bagel Challah  
Honey Oat Challah

Sweet Crumble Challah  
Classic Sesame Challah

Chocolate Babka  
Cinnamon Babka

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# Hebrew School of the Arts

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**September**

- New Year Blast Off
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- Sukkot Club

**February**

- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School

**October**

- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School

**March**

- Hebrew School
- Purim Club
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School

**November**

- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- NO SCHOOL

**April**

- Hebrew School
- Passover Club
- NO SCHOOL
- Hebrew School

**December**

- Chanukah Club
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- NO SCHOOL

**May**

- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School
- End-Year Celebration

**January**

- NO SCHOOL
- Hebrew School
- Tu B'Shvat Club
- Hebrew School
- Hebrew School

**HEBREW SCHOOL 2 YOU!**  
Choose a day of the week, pick a time that works for you, and join with family or friends, at your place or theirs!

**FEATURES**

**WEEKLY LESSONS**  
Embark on an adventure of a lifetime, exploring our history as Am Yisrael Chai! Discover our humble beginnings in Israel with Prophets and Kings and the secret to our eternal strength.

**JEWISH HOLIDAY CLASSES**  
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843-582-2789

**Events**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
March 11-13 - CKids Shabbaton

**Chabad Children's Network**

Join us this coming school year for the all-new Hebrew School of the Arts! For more information and to register, email [hindy@chabadofmaine.com](mailto:hindy@chabadofmaine.com).



## The Challah Circle: Rosh Hashana Edition!

*the Challah circle*  
*Rosh Hashana Edition*  
Apple & Spice Challah Bake BH

Friday,  
September 3  
10:00 am

In-person\* and zoom

\$15, or \$10 when you sign up for all 7 events of the year  
RSVP: [Hindy@chabadofmaine.com](mailto:Hindy@chabadofmaine.com) - 843.582.2789  
\*In-person subject to change and/or with new protocols

Join the Challah Circle and makesome delicious Rosh Hashana inspired Challah! RSVP today: [hindy@chabadofmaine.com](mailto:hindy@chabadofmaine.com)



## Torah Studies



Torah Studies for this week (8/31) is cancelled.



## Service Times

### Thursday

7:00 am

### Friday night

8:00 pm

### Shabbat day

10:30 am

### Kiddush and refreshments

12:30 pm



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Where does this tradition come from, and does it have any true significance?

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PARSHAH

## The Obligation to Emulate G-d

Aside from the commandment to act with compassion and kindness, there is a commandment to do so with the appropriate motivation.

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BY THE NUMBERS

## 15 Facts About the Baal Shem Tov

He spent much time roaming the forest, admiring Gds pristine creations.

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# Parshah in a Nutshell

## Parshat Ki Tavo

**Moses** instructs **the people of Israel**: When you enter the **land** that **Gd** is giving to you as your **eternal heritage**, and you settle it and cultivate it, bring the first-ripened fruits (**bikkurim**) of your



orchard to the **Holy Temple**, and declare your **gratitude** for all that Gd has done for you.

Our **Parshah** also includes the laws of the **tithes** given to the **Levites** and to the **poor**, and detailed instructions on how to proclaim the **blessings and the curses** on **Mount Gerizim and Mount Eival** as discussed in the beginning of the Parshah of **Reeh**. Moses reminds the people that they are Gds **chosen people**, and that they, in turn, have chosen Gd.

The latter part of **Ki Tavo** consists of the **Tochachah** (Rebuke). After listing the blessings with which Gd will reward the people when they follow the laws of the **Torah**, Moses gives a long, harsh account of the bad things illness, famine, poverty and **exile** that shall befall them if they abandon Gds **commandments**.

Moses concludes by telling the people that only today, forty years after their birth as a people, have they attained a heart to know, eyes to see and ears to hear.



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