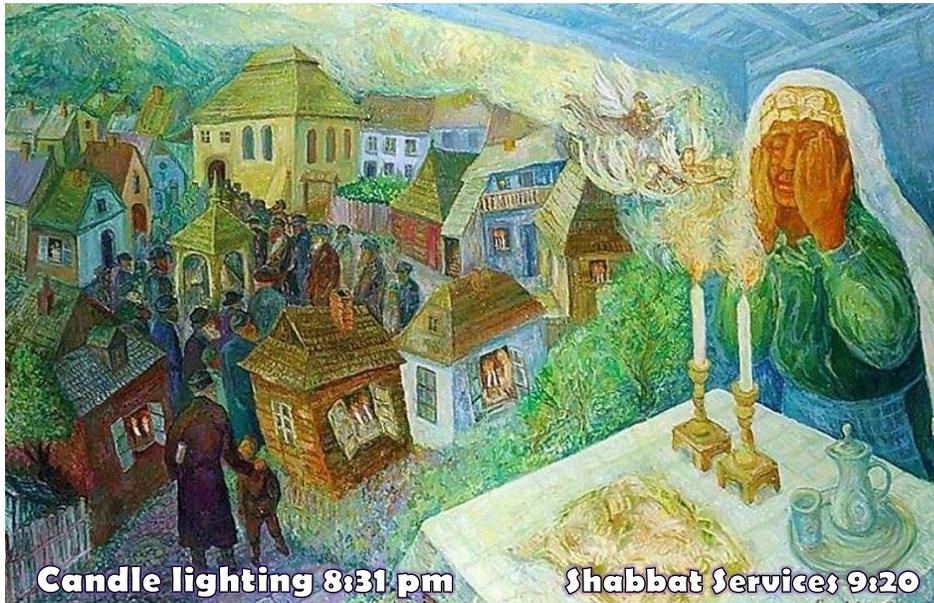




# Carnegie Shul Chatter

## June 6, 2018



**Candle lighting 8:31 pm**

**Shabbat Services 9:20**

## Two Anniversaries

On June 6, 1944, more than 160,000 Allied troops landed along a 50-mile stretch of heavily-fortified coastline on the beaches of Normandy, France to begin the liberation of Europe from Nazi occupation. More than 5,000 ships and 13,000 aircraft supported the D-Day invasion and more than 9,000 Allied soldiers were killed or wounded. By day's end, the Allies had gained a foot-hold in Continental Europe.

Following the mass casualties of D-Day, the battles of Normandy continued for roughly three more months, until Allied troops had pushed all the way to the Seine River and liberated Paris from Nazi control. Less than a year after D-Day, Adolf Hitler committed suicide and Nazi Germany surrendered.

The "Greatest Generation" had done what many thought would not be possible as they battled their way across Europe to defeat the Nazis and to liberate the concentration camps.

The defeat of Hitler and Nazi Germany was perhaps the greatest victory in American history, but unfortunately stopping Hitler and the Nazis has not brought an end to anti-Semitism in Europe despite Hitler's defeat. Anti-Semitism continues to be a problem in much of Europe, especially in France.

## D-Day and Israel

It is interesting that the celebration of D Day, June 6, in America, so closely corresponds with the dates of the Six Day War, June 5-11, 1967.

The Six Day War resulted in the reunification of Jerusalem under Israeli control for the first time in 2000 years. Israeli reactions to this tremendous victory included these:

*"For some two thousand years the Temple Mount was forbidden to the Jews. Until you came — you, the paratroopers — and returned it to the bosom of the nation. The Western Wall, for which every heart beats, is ours once again. Many Jews have taken their lives into their hands throughout our long history, in order to reach Jerusalem and live here. Endless words of longing have expressed the deep yearning for Jerusalem that beats within the Jewish heart. You have been given the great privilege of completing the circle, of returning to the nation its capital and its holy center...Jerusalem is yours forever."*

*—Commander Motta Gur to his brigade upon their recapture of Jerusalem's Old City and holy sites*

*"We have returned to all that is holy in our land. We have returned never to be parted from it again."*  
*—Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, upon reaching the Western Wall*

And yesterday, according to the *Times of Israel*, French President Emmanuel Macron said that the U.S. transfer of its embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem last month sparked deadly violence in Gaza and did not promote peace.

“ ‘If [moving the embassy] leads to people dying, it’s not a celebration,” Macron said, referring to widespread violence on the Gaza border at the same time the embassy was moved, in which dozens of Palestinians were killed.

He added that France wants to help alleviate the dire humanitarian situation in the Gaza Strip.

Macron spoke at a joint press conference with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu at the Elysee Palace in Paris after the two leaders held talks.

The French president expressed his ‘condemnation of any form of violence toward civilians and, in particular, these past few weeks in Gaza.’”

It’s a shame that the President of France does not realize the importance of Jerusalem to the Jewish people and share Israel’s joy at the movement of the U.S. embassy to Israel’s capital city, especially on D-Day, a day on which so many Americans (and American Jews) gave their lives to liberate his nation.

## Yahrzeit Plaques

Commemorate a loved one by dedicating a yahrzeit plaque in his or her memory at the Carnegie Shul. These beautiful plaques, mounted on the sanctuary walls, are lit on the loved one’s yahrzeit, Yom Kippur, and days when Yizkor is recited. The names are also read aloud from the Bimah during services on the Sabbath of the yahrzeit and on Yom Kippur. To purchase a plaque, for only \$175, please email Mike Roteman at [mrmike7777@yahoo.com](mailto:mrmike7777@yahoo.com).



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*“The Wall was before us. I trembled. There it was as I had known it — immense, mighty, in all its splendor...overcome, I bowed my head in silence.”*  
—General Uzi Narkiss, Head of Central Command during the Six Day War

*“I am speaking to you from the plaza of the Western Wall, the remnant of our Holy Temple. Comfort my people, comfort them, says the Lord your God.’ This is the day we have hoped for, let us rejoice and be glad in His salvation. The vision of all generations is being realized before our eyes: The city of God, the site of the Temple, the Temple Mount and the Western Wall, the symbol of the nation’s redemption, have been redeemed today by you, heroes of the Israel Defense Forces. By doing so you have fulfilled the oath of generations, ‘If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, may my right hand forget its cunning.’ Indeed, we have not forgotten you, Jerusalem, our holy city, our glory. In the name of the entire Jewish people in Israel and the Diaspora, I hereby recite with supreme joy, Blessed art Thou, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who has kept us in life, who has preserved us, and enabled us to reach this day. This year in Jerusalem – rebuilt! “*  
—General Shlomo Goren, Chaplain of the Israeli Defense Forces, at the Western Wall





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and other events in Israel

Tuesday, June 19 • 7:30pm  
JCC - Squirrel Hill (5738 Forbes Ave)



Join Almog Elijis, Israeli Consul for Media Affairs, as she discusses the U.S. Embassy move to Jerusalem, the latest in Gaza, and other happenings in Israel.

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