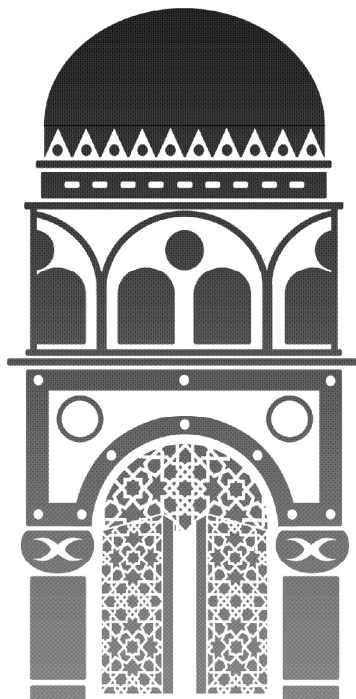


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SHABBAT SHALOM

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# SHABBAT SHALOM AND WELCOME TO WEST LONDON SYNAGOGUE

## FRIDAY

**6.00pm:**

### **Erev Shabbat Service**

Led by: Rabbi Sybil

Sermon by: Rabbi Sybil

**Service will be streamed on [www.wls.org.uk](http://www.wls.org.uk)**

## SATURDAY

**11.00am:**

### **Shabbat Morning Service**

Led by: Rabbi Helen

Sermon by: Rabbi Helen

**Service will be streamed on [www.wls.org.uk](http://www.wls.org.uk)**

**Torah:**

Exodus 35:20-35 and Exodus 12:1-11

**Haftarah:**

II Kings 23:21-27

## SHABBAT VA'YAKHEL-P'KUDEI

*Va'yakhel-Pekudei* is one of seven designated Torah portions that, depending upon the number of Sabbaths in a year, is either read as two separate portions or combined to assure the reading of the entire Torah.

*Parashat Va'yakhel* repeats the commandment to observe the Sabbath, emphasizing that no work is to be done on that day. It continues with Moses asking the Israelites to donate gifts of gold, silver, copper, precious stones, fine linen, wood, oil, or spices to be used for building the *mishkan*, or "sanctuary". Moses appoints Bezalel and Oholiab, skilled craftsmen, to oversee the construction of the sanctuary, and they report to Moses that the people are giving more gifts than are needed. So Moses tells the people to stop bringing their donations. Under the direction of Bezalel and Oholiab, skilled craftsmen work on the cloths, planks, bars, curtains, screens, lampstands, altars, and priestly garments of the sanctuary.

*Parashat Pekudey* describes the records kept of all the work and materials used in the construction of the *mishkan*, as well as of all the donations given by the Israelites. When the *mishkan* is completed, Moses and the Israelites celebrate by anointing it. God's Presence fills the sanctuary and leads the people throughout their journeys.

כ וּמִצָּאוּ כָל־עֲדַת בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל מִלִּפְנֵי מֹשֶׁה׃ כֹּא וַיָּבֵאוּ כָל־אִישׁ אֲשֶׁר־נִשְׂאוֹ לְבֹו וְכָל אֲשֶׁר נָדְבָה רוּחוֹ אֹתוֹ הֵבִיאוּ אֶת־תְּרוּמוֹת יְהוָה לְמִלְאֶכֶת אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד וּלְכָל־עֲבֹדָתוֹ וּלְבַגְדָי הַקֹּדֶשׁ׃ כִּב וַיָּבֵאוּ הָאֲנָשִׁים עַל־הַנְּשִׁים כָּל נָדִיב לֵב הֵבִיאוּ חָח וְנָזָם וְטַבַּעַת וְכוּמָז כָּל־כְּלֵי זָהָב וְכָל־אִישׁ אֲשֶׁר הֵנִיף תְּנוּפֹת זָהָב לַיהוָה׃ כג וְכָל־אִישׁ אֲשֶׁר־נִמְצָא אֹתוֹ תְּכֵלֶת וְאַרְגָּמָן וְתוֹלַעַת שָׁנִי וְעֵשֶׂב וְעֵאִים וְעֹרֹת אֵילָם מְאֻדָּמִים וְעֹרֹת תְּחָשִׁים הֵבִיאוּ׃ כד כָּל־מְרִים תְּרוּמוֹת כֶּסֶף וְנִחֻשֶׁת הֵבִיאוּ אֵת תְּרוּמוֹת יְהוָה וְכָל אֲשֶׁר נִמְצָא אֹתוֹ עֲצֵי שִׁטִּים לְכָל־מִלְאֶכֶת הָעֲבֹדָה הֵבִיאוּ׃ כה וְכָל־אִשָּׁה חַכְמַת־לֵב בְּיָדֶיהָ טוּוּ וַיָּבִיאוּ מִטוֹה אֶת־הַתְּכֵלֶת וְאֶת־הָאַרְגָּמָן אֶת־תוֹלַעַת הַשָּׁנִי וְאֶת־הָעֵשֶׂב׃ כו וְכָל־הַנְּשִׁים אֲשֶׁר נִשְׂא לְבֹן אֹתָנָה בְּחֻמָּה טוּוּ אֶת־הָעֵאִים׃ כז וְהַנְּשִׂאִם הֵבִיאוּ אֵת אֲבִנֵי הַשֹּׁהַם וְאֵת אֲבִנֵי הַמַּלְאִים לְאַפֹּד וּלְחָשׁוּ׃ כח וְאֶת־הַבָּשָׂם וְאֶת־הַשֶּׁמֶן לְמֵאוֹר וּלְשֶׁמֶן הַמִּשְׁחָה וְלִקְטֹרֶת הַסַּמִּים׃ כט כָּל־אִישׁ וְאִשָּׁה אֲשֶׁר נָדַב לִבָּם אֹתָם לְהֵבִיא לְכָל־הַמְּלָאכָה אֲשֶׁר צִוָּה יְהוָה לַעֲשׂוֹת בְּיַד־מֹשֶׁה הֵבִיאוּ בְנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל נְדָבָה לַיהוָה׃ ל וַיֹּאמֶר מֹשֶׁה אֶל־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל רְאוּ קָרָא יְהוָה בְּשֵׁם בְּצַלְאֵל בֶּן־אוּרִי בֶן־חוּר לְמִטָּה יְהוּדָה׃ לא וַיִּמְלֵא אֹתוֹ רוּחַ אֱלֹהִים בְּחֻמָּה בְּתַבּוּנָה וּבְדַעַת וּבְכָל־מְלָאכָה׃ לב וּלְחָשֵׁב מַחְשַׁבֹת לַעֲשׂוֹת בְּזָהָב וּבַכֶּסֶף וּבַנְּחֹשֶׁת׃ לג וּבַחֲרָשֶׁת אָבֹן לְמַלְאוֹת וּבַחֲרָשֶׁת עֹץ לַעֲשׂוֹת בְּכָל־מְלָאכֶת מַחְשַׁבֹת׃ לד וּלְהוֹרֹת נֶתֶן בְּלִבּוֹ הוּא וְאֶהְיֵאֲבָב בְּרוּ־אֲחִיסָמֶד׃ למ מִטָּה־דָו׃ לה מִלֵּא אֹתָם חַכְמַת־לֵב לַעֲשׂוֹת כָּל־מְלָאכֶת חֲרָשׁ וְחֹשֶׁב וְרָקָם בְּתֵכֶלֶת וּבְאַרְגָּמָן בְּתוֹלַעַת הַשָּׁנִי וּבַשֵּׁשׁ וְאַרְגָּ עֲשִׂי כָל־מְלָאכָה וְחֹשֶׁבֵי מַחְשַׁבֹת׃

א וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוָה אֶל־מֹשֶׁה וְאֶל־אַהֲרֹן בְּאַרְצָ מִצְרַיִם לֵאמֹר׃ ב הַחֲדָשׁ הַזֶּה לָכֶם רֹאשׁ חֲדָשִׁים רֹאשׁוֹן הוּא לָכֶם לַחֲדָשֵׁי הַשָּׁנָה׃ ג דַּבְּרוּ אֶל־כָּל־עַדַּת יִשְׂרָאֵל לֵאמֹר בְּעֵשֶׂר לַחֲדָשׁ הַזֶּה וְיִקְחוּ לָהֶם אִישׁ שָׂה לְבֵית־אֲבֹת שָׂה לְבֵית׃ ד וְאִם־יִמְעַט הַבַּיִת מֵהַיּוֹת מִשָּׂה וְלִקְחַ הוּא וּשְׂכָנּוֹ הַקָּרֵב אֶל־בֵּיתוֹ בְּמִכְסַת נִפְשׁוֹת אִישׁ לְפִי אֲכָלוּ תִכְסּוּ עַל־הַשָּׂה׃ ה שָׂה תָמִים זָכַר בְּרוּ־שָׁנָה יְהִי לָכֶם מוֹ־הַכֹּבָשִׁים וּמוֹ־הָעֵאִים תִּקְחוּ׃ ו וְהִיָּה לָכֶם לְמִשְׁמֶרֶת עַד אַרְבָּעָה עָשָׂר יוֹם לַחֲדָשׁ הַזֶּה וּשְׁחֲטוּ אֹתוֹ כָּל קֶהֱל עַדַּת־יִשְׂרָאֵל בֵּין הָעֲרֵבִים׃ ז וְלִקְחוּ מוֹ־הַיִּם וְנִתְּנוּ עַל־שִׁתֵּי הַמִּזְוָזוֹת וְעַל־הַמִּשְׁקוֹף עַל הַבַּיִתִּים אֲשֶׁר־יֵאָכְלוּ אֹתוֹ בָּהֶם׃ ח וְאָכְלוּ אֶת־הַבָּשָׂר בַּלִּילָה הַזֶּה צְלִי־אֵשׁ וּמִצּוֹת עַל־מֵרְרִים יֵאָכְלֶהָ׃ ט אֶל־תֹּאכְלוּ מִמֶּנּוּ זָא וּבָשָׂל מִבָּשָׂל בְּמַיִם כִּי אִם־צְלִי־אֵשׁ רֹאשׁוֹ עַל־כָּרְעִיו וְעַל־קִרְבּוֹ׃ י וְלֹא־תוֹתִירוּ מִמֶּנּוּ עַד־בֹּקֶר וְהִנְתֵּר מִמֶּנּוּ עַד־בֹּקֶר בָּאֵשׁ תִּשְׂרְפוּ׃ יא וְכִכָּה תֹאכְלוּ אֹתוֹ מִתְּנִיכֶם חֲגָרִים נַעֲלִיכֶם בְּרוּגְלִיכֶם וּמִקְלַכֶּם בְּיַדְכֶם וְאָכַלְתֶּם אֹתוֹ בְּחַפְזוֹן פֶּסַח הוּא לַיהוָה׃

## EXODUS 35:20-35 and 12:1-11

20 Then the whole Israelite community withdrew from Moses' presence, 21 and everyone who was willing and whose heart moved them came and brought an offering to the Eternal One for the work on the tent of meeting, for all its service, and for the sacred garments. 22 All who were willing, men and women alike, came and brought gold jewelry of all kinds: brooches, earrings, rings and ornaments. They all presented their gold as a wave offering to the Eternal One. 23 Everyone who had blue, purple or scarlet yarn or fine linen, or goat hair, ram skins dyed red or the other durable leather brought them. 24 Those presenting an offering of silver or bronze brought it as an offering to the Eternal One, and everyone who had acacia wood for any part of the work brought it. 25 Every skilled woman spun with her hands and brought what she had spun—blue, purple or scarlet yarn or fine linen. 26 And all the women who were willing and had the skill spun the goat hair. 27 The leaders brought onyx stones and other gems to be mounted on the ephod and breastpiece. 28 They also brought spices and olive oil for the light and for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense. 29 All the Israelite men and women who were willing brought to the Eternal One freewill offerings for all the work the Eternal One through Moses had commanded them to do. 30 Then Moses said to the Israelites, "See, the Eternal One has chosen Bezalel son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, 31 and he has filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills— 32 to make artistic designs for work in gold, silver and bronze, 33 to cut and set stones, to work in wood and to engage in all kinds of artistic crafts. 34 And he has given both him and Oholiab son of Ahisamak, of the tribe of Dan, the ability to teach others. 35 He has filled them with skill to do all kinds of work as engravers, designers, embroiderers in blue, purple and scarlet yarn and fine linen, and weavers—all of them skilled workers and designers.

12 The Eternal One said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, 2 "This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. 3 Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb[a] for his family, one for each household. 4 If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. 5 The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. 6 Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the members of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. 7 Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. 8 That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. 9 Do not eat the meat raw or boiled in water, but roast it over a fire—with the head, legs and internal organs. 10 Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. 11 This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the Eternal One's Passover.

## II KINGS 23:21-27

And the king commanded all the people, saying, "Offer the Passover sacrifice to the Eternal One your God, as it is written in the book of this covenant." Surely there was not offered such a Passover sacrifice from the days of the judges that judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel, nor of the kings of Judah; But in the eighteenth year of King Josiah, when this Passover sacrifice was offered to God in Jerusalem.

Moreover the mediums, and the wizards, and the images, and the idols, and all the abominations that were seen in the land of Judah and in Jerusalem, did Josiah put away, that he might perform the words of the Torah which were written in the book that Hilkiah the priest found in the house of the Eternal One. And like him was there no king before him, that turned to God with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the Torah of Moses; neither after him arose there any like him. However, the Eternal One turned not from the fierceness of the divine wrath, with which God's anger was kindled against Judah, because of all the provocations of Manasseh. And the Eternal One said, I will remove Judah also from My sight, as I have removed Israel, and will cast off this city Jerusalem which I have chosen, and the house of which I said, My name shall be there.