Good morning, New York. Russia’s invasion of Ukraine last night has thrown Europe and Washington into tumult. Our outpost at the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Concord Liphshitz, reports on the Jews of Ukraine and the helplessness and confusion they feel as their country suffers under assault.

You’ll notice a new look today for your New York Jewish Week daily newsletter. This streamlined version is part of a redesign that also includes a refreshed New York Jewish Week website, launching today, and a new look for the brand. The goal is to integrate the New York Jewish Week more seamlessly with our partners at JTA.

What won’t change, of course, is our commitment to bring you essential news and events for all things New York and Jewish.

(Comments, questions on the new look? Email us: editor@jewishweek.org)

OMG! An Instagram Account Celebrates a Feminist Milestone

The @justikaplan1922 account is commemorating the 100th anniversary of Women’s Suffrage in the US, the first for an American girl. (Jewish Forward, Inc.)

Close up: This year marks the 100th anniversary of Manhattan’s SAJ synagogue, where Judith Kaplan became America’s first-ever bat mitzvah. Julia Gergely reports on a new Instagram project that tells the story of a breakthrough moment in American Judaism.

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Read more from JTA

On this day in New York: In 1934, Gov. Herbert H. Lehman issued a proclamation declaring Feb. 24 as “Brotherhood Day,” a project of the National Conference of Jews and Christians. The day to celebrate diversity — eventually expanded to a week — lasted from the 1950s until the 2000s, lasting little more than this obituary wrote.

See you tomorrow. And pray for peace.
- The team at the NY Jewish Week
Empowering Jewish Discovery

PASSOVER
The Oft-Misquoted Catchphrase of the Exodus

TODAY’S MUST READS
Coco Chanel Was My Idol Before I Realized Her Nazi Past
We’re All Made in God’s Image, Including Trans Jews Like Me

LIVE ONLINE
Understanding Song of Songs
Thursday 2:00 PM Eastern
Join My Jewish Learning for an exploration of this piece of biblical love poetry traditionally read during Passover.

Click here to sign up for a daily reminder of Jewish online events.

COMMENTARY
Why the mention of the Jewish nation is echoed by singing praises to God.

MORE TORAH

Weekend of May 14 - 17
FROM MY JEWISH LEARNING

Friday, May 14

Group Torah Study with My Jewish Learning
10:30m ET/7:30am PT
Join My Jewish Learning and Sarah Chandler ala Kohenet Shaminah for a conversation about this week’s Torah portion.

JOIN THE CLASS →

JTA Conversations: Understanding the Violence in Israel
100pm ET/100am PT
Join the Jewish Telegraphic Agency to discuss the current violence in Israel, how it all started, and how the conflict will be resolved.

JOIN THE CONVERSATION →

Sunday, May 15

Shavuot Hop: A Full Night of Learning
Starting at 1:00pm ET/100am PT
Join My Jewish Learning and our partners on Shavuot for an incredible line-up of Shavuot programs and learning. Dance and sing, bake and eat, learn and rejoice on the holiday that celebrates revelation and receiving of the Torah!

RSVP HERE →

FROM OUR PARTNERS
Visit The Hub on My Jewish Learning for more information about these events, or reach out to our partners with questions.