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146th Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

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Rabbi's Message

"Unprecedented" is the word we have heard many times during these last months used to describe the unimaginable and seemingly inexplicable turn of events. On March 13th, 2020 we needed to close the doors to Temple to ensure everyone's safety and well-being, but you have responded to that by keeping your hearts wide open. As this month begins and our unprecedented fall holy days are behind us, we have the opportunity to acquire a new appreciation of the word as you, the beautiful and kind people of Temple Sinai, collected 2,480 pounds for the Brighton Food Cupboard during our annual Yom Kippur food drive. Exceeding any collection in the past, by nearly 500 pounds, this is both unprecedented and extraordinary. Despite tremendous hardships and uncertainty, you have held up one of our central practices and values of gemilut chasidim – performing acts of loving kindness.

Traditional Judaism teaches us that giving tzedakah (typically giving money) and performing gemilut chasidim are commandments, suggesting they are obligations or required which contrasts with nedivut, or generosity which our sages teach us is an attribute to be cultivated over time. The Hebrew word nedivut, comes from the root nadav which means willingness. In modern Hebrew this is related to the word for a volunteer (mitnadev), accentuating that we come to this task freely. So, while giving tzedakah is an obligation based in justice and often punctuated by a sense of urgency, generosity grows over time by developing an open and willing heart. The first time we encounter this concept is in the Book of Exodus (25:1-2,8) when God requests the people to bring materials to build the Tabernacle, "Speak to the children of Israel that they take for me an offering; from everyone who's heart moves him, you should take My offering….And let them build Me a Sanctuary, and I will dwell in their midst." We are implored to bring what we can because our hearts move us.

Our tradition explains that there are at least two vital ways to be generous – first to give because we are obligated to provide for those without enough and second, to give because our hearts instruct us to be generous, quite literally, because we feel the need to give. As fall turns to winter, and needs become more pronounced --- some will need food, some money, and some will need the gift of our attention, thousands of years of wisdom remind us to give out of our sense of duty and because we are paying careful attention to our hearts. Let us emulate the Israelites who built the Tabernacle by bringing their finest and ensuring that God has a place to dwell among us. Collective generosity and willingness of spirit fortified us then as it does now as a kehillah kedoshah, a holy community. During these unprecedented times, let us continue to cultivate an open and willing heart, and to heed the call to bring the best we have.

Rabbi Debbi Till

Contacting the Clergy

Please let the temple office (381-6890) know of any illnesses, deaths or joyous occasions so that the clergy and the congregation can respond appropriately. Also, remember not to schedule any life cycle events at which Rabbi Till or Cantor Braun will be present without speaking to them first.

To reach Rabbi Till in an emergency, please call 355-0192. To reach Cantor Braun in an emergency, please call 973-953-2489.

It is a mitzvah to visit those who are ill. Please remember that HIPAA regulations prevent hospitals from alerting us when someone is ill. We ask temple members who are aware that one of our members is in a hospital to please call the Temple Sinai office so that one of our clergy may contact them.

President's Message

In my professional endeavors as an Executive Coach, it is the rare day that I do not find myself immersed in conversation with my clients on their readiness for change. In these moments, I often call upon a framework called the Stages of Change Model that outlines five stages of readiness for change: precontemplation, contemplation, preparation, action, and maintenance.

By the time you read this bulletin article at the beginning of November, the Temple Sinai COVID 19 Task Force will have reconvened to continue the conversation regarding Temple Sinai's "readiness" to begin the reopening process. Utilizing the three middle stages of this model, **contemplation** (what do we need to think about regarding re-opening), **preparation** (what preparation needs to take place prior to opening our doors) and **action** (a date is set to re-open our building), I would like to share with you where we are in assessing our readiness to invite our congregants back into our building.

All **contemplation** regarding any type of reopening must keep the health and safety of our congregants first and foremost in our mind. Do we all want to be safely together in our beautiful building? Of course! Given recent spikes in COVID-19 as well as the upcoming flu season requires us to move thoughtfully and patiently.

We continue to gather relevant information from local, state and national sources. We are looking at how other congregations are addressing this situation while also maintaining an open dialogue with our Rochester Jewish Federation, Dr. Mendoza and the County Health Department.

Over the coming weeks, task force members will begin to reach out to a cross section of our congregants to solicit your feedback regarding under what circumstances you would be comfortable returning to events in our building. According to a study, recently highlighted in a New York Times article, by Wakefield Research commissioned by Envoy, a workplace technology company, 73 percent of U.S. employees fearing that being in their workplace could pose a risk to their personal health and safety. While this study speaks to the workplace, we are curious about your thoughts and feelings on attending any type of communal event at the Temple.

As our **contemplation** tasks continue, we also are engaging in the process of **preparation**. A sub group of the COVID 19 Task Force has evaluated the spaces that we gather in our building with an eye on how many congregants could come together according to safety guidelines. The task force is considering what a "staged reopening" might look like from the standpoint of the type of events we might consider first.

In addition, we are working closely with the Farash Foundation who has announced that they will consider providing some level of financial support for any item or upgrades that will facilitate a safe re opening. Focus here will include everything from masks to potential modifications to enhance social distancing to possible upgrades in our air handling system. We continue to feel blessed by the generosity and leadership of the Farash Foundation.

Our version of the **action** stage will consist of two parts. First, our clergy, lay leadership and volunteers will continue to invest energy, thought and creativity into all of our efforts to engage with you through the use of technology. You have already experienced how technology can be successfully utilized to create engaging content, examples being our summer Lay Led Service and our High Holy Day Services.

Part II of our **action** stage will begin when we are able to identify a definitive date for a reopening and a resumption of communal celebration. As frustrating as this is for many, as of right now, we do not know when this will be. While we are not yet able to "put a date on the calendar," please know that Temple leadership is working every day to make this happen in the most inclusive and safe manner possible.

As I have shared with you before, while our building remains close, your Temple Sinai community is here for you.

As always, do not hesitate to contact me with questions, thoughts, and suggestions.

Keith Greer

School of Jewish Life & Learning Pinat Ha-Talmid

(The Student Corner)

It is mid-October; the trees begin to change color; and the temperature "hints" that it is time to take our winter clothes out of the closet . . .

Even though we are still conducting classes online, October was a month busy with special events and programs:

Sunday, October 4, we welcomed our students, Madrichim, teachers, and parents to the first day of classes; we virtually fulfilled the commandment of shaking the lulav & etrog in our sukkah; our kindergarten had a special consecration related class; and our 7th grade students were engaged in their virtual Torah Project program.

On Friday, October 9, we celebrated Simchat Torah and consecrated our kindergarten students and two other students who joined our school since last year's Simchat Torah. The celebration of consecration marks the official welcoming of the young students to be engaged in Jewish education.

On Sunday, October 11, our 8th and 9th grade Kesher students met with our new Israeli shinshinim (emissaries), Itamar and Oren. The subject of the lesson was about the various sectors of Judaism in Israel.

October Schedule of Events

Sunday, Nov. 1: Daylight Saving begins; 4th Grade "Naming" program
Tuesday, Nov. 3: ELECTION DAY!!!
Friday, Nov. 6: Shabbat family service (6:00)
Wednesday, Nov. 11: No School (Veterans Day)
Sunday, Nov. 15: 5th grade "Exploring Our Roots" program
Sunday, Nov. 22: Bogrim
Wednesday, Nov. 25: No School or Kesher (Thanksgiving recess)
Sunday, Nov. 29: No School or Kesher (Thanksgiving recess)

Ilan D. Adar

Adult Education

Adult Education in the Temple Sinai School of Life and Learning invites learners at all stages, novice to "seasoned," to forge connections through group exploration of Jewish texts and topics.

The Temple Sinai AdultED committee is pleased to offer two exciting learning opportunities this month. The first is a 4-session course - Wednesdays, October 28 through November 18, 7:00-8:00 p.m. - on Torah cantillation, or trope. Chanting Torah has been an enduring way of transmitting our tradition. Understanding trope empowers a person to chant Torah, lending its pronunciation musicality and phrasing. This course will introduce participants to the essentials of using trope to chant Torah. While musical talent per se is not a prerequisite, basic facility with reading Hebrew is. As the four sessions will build on one another, allowing participants scaffolded practice, please plan to attend the entire series. There is limited "space" in what we hope will be an intimate and therefore comfortable class, so register with the office today to obtain your Zoom link!

The second learning opportunity is called "The Baker and the Beauty: Language and Culture Through Israeli Television." In this innovative, single-session program, instructor Rami Katz will use the eponymous Israeli television show to highlight Israeli culture and teach basic Hebrew language. This program, which will take place Thursday, December 3, 7:30-8:30 p.m., on Zoom, is open to everyone, regardless of Hebrew proficiency. There is no need to register for this event. If you have access to Amazon Prime, check out Season 1 Episode 1, "Artichoke Soup," of "The Baker and the Beauty" (2014; Hebrew with English subtitles) beforehand.

The AdultED committee hopes to see you soon!

Susan Rizzo, chair, AdultEducation
adulted@tsinai.org, #GetAdultED

Within Our Family

In Memoriam…
Temple Sinai notes with sorrow the passing of:
Martha T. Mednick, mother of Amy Mednick (Joel Kastner)
Sanford Zeman, father of Bob (Paula) Zeman
Paula Stoler, sister in law of Lori (Robert) Conway
Bima Dilts, son of Wahyu Dilts (David Kotok)
The Temple family extends its heartfelt sympathy to the family.

Mazal Tov to …
David & Denise Cyrkin on the birth of granddaughter Claire Danosos Cyrkin, daughter of Evan Cyrkin & MaryAnn Danosos
Herb & Fran Feinstein on the birth of grandson Benjamin Shai Medow, son of Jessica & Stephen Medow
Reba Silterra & Jackie Longchamps on the birth of grandson Joseph Francesco Rispoli, son of Melody Guerra & Nando Rispoli
Seymour & Myrna Weinstein who celebrated their 72nd anniversary in September.
Molly Conway, daughter of Robert & Lori Conway, whose article following Ruth Bader Ginsburg's passing was published in The Forward on September 20th.
Ronny Frishman, whose book Nina Allender, Suffrage Cartoonist was recently published.

Get Well Wishes to...
Eli Wachsler Felder

Welcome to the following New Member…
Philip Ashman

Your 'nachas' is our 'nachas'! Email any good news you would like to share with the congregation to jschachter@tsinai.org.

If you or someone you know is ill or going through difficult times, please call the Temple office at 381-6890. Our clergy want to be there for those in need.

Be part of the Sinai Community!

Join our Zoom service as our Bat Mitzvah leads us in worship.

Elizabeth Bissonette

November 21, 10:30 a.m. service

Daughter of Vincent & Melissa Bissonette

FRIENDS OF SINAI

Friends of Sinai is another giving opportunity at our synagogue. Gifts of $360 or more above the regular membership commitment are directed to areas designated in need of improvement or enhancement or for programs designed to strengthen our bonds as a community.

In our 29-year history, more than a quarter of a million dollars have been contributed by the Friends to improve our building and grounds, support our staff and school, and bring our congregation together.

We gratefully acknowledge the following members who rejoined the Friends of Sinai this year, during this extraordinarily difficult time of great need and committed their support for our congregation in this additional meaningful way:

Cantor Renata and Dr. David Braun
Esther Brill and RJ Ruble

Questions: Call the Temple Office (381-6890) or Monika Katzel, Friends of Sinai Chair, monikakatzel@gmail.com, 203-1200

HIGH HOLY DAYS APPEAL

I want to express my deep appreciation to you, our Temple Sinai family for your generous response to the 2020 High Holy Days Annual Appeal. Thank you for helping to build and ensure the strength of our vibrant community into the future!

Keith Greer

A special thanks to the following Temple members who have so generously donated to the Temple Sinai High Holy Days Appeal. Donations below were received by October 10, 2020.

A donation has been made by…

Adam & Jennifer Anolik
Ari & Kimberly Elliot
Howard & Karen Kessler
Howard & Susan Itkin
Marvin & Marilyn Horowitz
Renata & David Braun
Martha & John Osowski
Victor & Joyce Poleshuck

In appreciation of…

Monika Katzel, by Robert & Paula Zeman
The beautiful 2020 High Holy Day Services, by Barbara Davis & Dennis Linsner
Rabbi Till & Cantor Braun, by Edward Muszynski & Bonnie Hughes
Susan & Rick Rizzo, by Esther Brill & RJ Ruble
All involved in the planning and execution of the video High Holy Days services, by Judy Abelman & Barry Goldfarb
Rabbi Till and Cantor Braun for the beautiful High Holiday Services, by Marcia Elwitt

In honor of…

My children & grandchildren, by Bonnie Guon
My children, my grandchildren and my great grandchildren, by Elaine Montrose Usdane
Rabbi Alan Katz, by Howard & Arlene Schenker
Mari Beth & Shelly Lawrence's 75th & 85th birthday, by Martin & Laura Kaufman
The Sinai Staff - Yasher Koach on a wonderful High Holiday experience, by Paul Rosenfeld & Sylvia Rose
Rabbi Till for beautiful & moving virtual services, by Stephen & Claudia Brent

In memory of…

Louis & Helen Feldsott, by Arthur & Jill Feldsott
Paul Simmons, by Bobbi Simmons-Sarnov
Bernard Resch, by Carol & Keith Greer
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Our parents, by Michael & Donna Goldberg
Daniel Prude, by Michael Krasner & Marie-Patricia Luck
Sally Berman, by Mona Miller
Mildred Sabesan, by Nancy & Russell Phelps
Our loved ones, by Norman & Donna Lederman
Eugene & Herta Ellis, by Ralph Ellis & Alice Rudolph
Our parents, by Renee & James Brownstein
Arnold and Mary Israel, by Robert & Merilyn Israel
Arlyn Grossman, by Robert Grossman
Susie Fox, by Stefan Cohen & Jodi Beckwith

Yahrzeits

The departed live on in the hearts of those who cherish their memory

November 6 & 7

Ronni Abramovitz
Charles August
Sheila Burton
Wolf Feygin
Sol Fletcher
Helen Forchheimer
Richard Friedlander
Molly Garson
Sadie Goldshine
Haskell Goldstein
Ethel Goldstein
Jacob Gould
Joel Greenberg
Anthony Kantor
Harry Kruskall
Diane Latta
Hal Levy
Alan Macpherson
Carmella Mastrella
Carol Robinson
Dorothy Zaretsky Rooth
Paul Rosenhack
Solomon Saltiel

November 13 & 14

Samuel Agins
Ernest Brownell, Jr.
Frederick Deutscher
Zelda Druce
James Eichner
Diane Epstein
Solomon Gold
Joseph Groden
Samuel Gross
Yuda Gurevich
Stanley Handelman
Ida Harf
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Gladys Less
Charles Lestin
Willard R. Lisson
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Clifford Lovenheim
Melvin Neisner
Samuel N. Paulin
Ethel Rosen
Zakhar Shvartsman
Saul Skerker
Anne Slawetsky
Phyllis Stoltz

November 20 & 21

Elaine Adler
Leah Albaum
Leon Alent
Barbara Balsom
Sylvia Berkowitz
Harry Berman
William W. Cohn
Paula Ginsburg
Evelyn Greenfield
Maureen Highfield
James Holzbach
Eleanor Kantor Naftal
Miriam Kassick
Mary Kruskall
Harriet Leventhal
Linda Lieberman
Earl Lovenheim
Sukesh Polly Miglani
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Murray Rosenfeld
Barbara Rubin
Richard Rudolph
Brian Salerno
Angelina Sanginario
Abraham Schachter
Jonathan Taub
Seyna Tseytlina
Joan Yessenow

November 27 & 28

Calvin Berger
Mindy Dennis
Lillian Dollinger
Lorrayne Dorfman
Sylvia Feingold
Ella Feygin
Dolores Fried
Renee Gimple
Sherry Harner
Donald F. Hogan
Ethel Hyman
Phyllis Kaplan
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Sima Novozhenets
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Sam Poserow
Sidney Rayburn
Martin Rosenberg
Mildred Schiller
William Silver
Leonard Singer
Robert R. Smith
Harold Sussman
Sylvia Utell
Matilda Yarmel

December 4 & 5

Stanley Abrams
Matilde Aroesty
Gerald Berg
Murray Berlowitz
Stanley Bershod
Alberto Biton
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Nathan Chatlin
Toby Fay Cherry
Edith Folkman
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November 2020 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 **School in Session** **T'filaton 9:30 a.m.** **4th Grade Program 9:30 a.m.** **Confirmation Class 11:00 a.m.** **Kesher 11:00 a.m.**	**2**	**3** **ELECTION DAY**	**4** **School in Session** **Introduction to Trope Class 7:00 p.m.**	**5**	**6** **Erev Shabbat Family Service with Birthday Blessings 6:00 p.m.**	**7** **Torah Study 9:15 a.m.** **Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.** *Torah Portion: Vayera* *Genesis 18.1 – 22.24*
8 **School in Session** **T'filaton 9:30 a.m.** **Confirmation Class 11:00 a.m.** **Kesher 11:00 a.m.**	**9**	**10** **Women's Chavurah – Karen Morris 7:00 p.m.**	**11** **NO SCHOOL** **Introduction to Trope Class 7:00 p.m.**	**12** **Religious Practices Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m.**	**13** **Erev Shabbat Service 6:00 p.m.**	**14** **Torah Study 9:15 a.m.** **Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.** *Torah Portion:* *Chaye Sarah* *Genesis 23.1 – 25.18*
15 **School in Session** **T'filaton 9:30 a.m.** **5th Grade Program 9:30 a.m.** **Confirmation Class 11:00 a.m.** **Kesher 11:00 a.m.**	**16**	**17** **Social Action Book Discussion 7:00 p.m.**	**18** **School in Session** **Introduction to Trope Class 7:00 p.m.**	**19** **Executive Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.** **Board of Trustees Meeting 7:30 p.m.**	**20** **Erev Shabbat Service 6:00 p.m.**	**21** **Torah Study 9:15 a.m.** **Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.** *Torah Portion: Toldot* *Genesis 25.19 – 28.9*
22 **School in Session** **T'filaton 9:30 a.m.** **Confirmation Class 11:00 a.m.** **Bogrim 11:00 a.m.** **Kesher (8th & 9th grade) 11:00 a.m.**	**23**	**24** Membership **Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m.**	**25** **NO SCHOOL** **OFFICE CLOSES AT NOON**	**26** **THANKSGIVING DAY** **OFFICE CLOSED** **Interfaith Thanks-giving Service 11:00 a.m.**	**27** **OFFICE CLOSED** **Erev Shabbat Service 6:00 p.m.**	**28** **Torah Study 9:15 a.m.** **Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.** *Torah Portion: Vayetze* *Genesis 28.10 – 32.3*
29 **NO SCHOOL**	**30**					

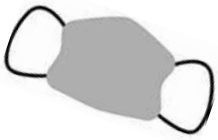
December Erev Shabbat Services

CHECK THE TEMPLE WEBSITE FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION REGARDING SHABBAT SERVICES

While our building is closed and usual volunteer activity slowed down, our Sinai members are keeping busy constantly coming up with ways to keep us connected with wonderful, informative programs and ways to help our own members and others in our community and beyond.

We acknowledge and applaud the following outstanding efforts:

Mask Making - The following people were busily sewing masks for local nursing homes and front-line providers: Janet Goldman, Esther Tanzman, Ellen Krull, Ellen Erne, Lisa Waldman, Carol Yunker, Carole Teegarden, Joyce Schachter and Monika Katzel. Thank you to Arlene & Jerry Wiesenberg for their donation for the purchase of mask material. If anyone's name was omitted, let us know so we can thank you too.



A HUGE THANK YOU to Nancy Kantor, with assistance from Ann Shamaskin, who made over 1000 masks (at her own expense) and sent them to NYC hospitals and Florida nursing homes, when masks were in short supply.

Rosh Hashanah Challah - Thank you to Janet Irwin and the Sinai Mitzvah Connection for delivering challahs to our more senior congregants before Rosh Hashanah.

Get out the vote – Thank you to Joyce Schachter, Donna Goldberg and the volunteer team who wrote 2200 "Reclaim Our Vote" postcards with registration and voting information, to disenfranchised voters in key states.

Temple Gardens - Our building has been closed for months, but our Sinai gardens were planted, maintained and watered. A beautiful showcase of color all summer and fall - thanks to Sally Constine and our hard working, dedicated Garden Committee.

Thank you to all who participated in making our COVID world a little more sane and kind. Let's continue to support and take care of one another.

Rabbi Alan Katz

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GALA *event*

Rescheduled Date:

April 25, 2021

DINNER, ENTERTAINMENT, DANCING

SAVE THE DATE

High Holy Days

On behalf of the Religious Practices Committee, we extend our heartfelt thanks to those who volunteered and worked so hard on the High Holy Day services to make them so special. A special thank you to Rabbi Till, Cantor Braun, Rabbinic Intern Leah Nussbaum, Eva Regan, Ilan Adar, Pauline Rosenberg, Leah Sherman, the beautiful Temple Sinai Choir and all of our talented musicians. Your voices and instruments enhanced our High Holy Day services and experience so beautifully. Thank you to Marilyn Fenster, Rachel Greer and Alex Reeder for leading the teen program. Thank you to our dedicated office staff, Mary Mansfield, Bobbi Simmons-Sarnov and Joyce Schachter for their behind the scenes work and coordination. Thank you to Rick Rizzo and Bruce Dunn for capturing the audio and visual of clergy so beautifully. A special thank you to Rick Rizzo for the countless hours of editing and recording of our services and turning them into masterful works of spiritual prowess.

This year in particular we would like to extend a special thank you to each and every congregant, community member and family member who stepped bravely into this journey with us. We appreciate your willingness to continue to show up, even when things are new and different, to share your ideas and thoughts, to grant grace when learning opportunities occur and most of all for continuing to be a part of us, the Temple Sinai community, as we walk through these unprecedented times together.

Chazak, Chazak V'nitzchazek,
Lindsey Hagan and Wendy Beller Madway,
on behalf of the Religious Practices committee

GOING AWAY for the WINTER?

Last winter we had many bulletins returned to us because of temporary changes of address. The post office does not forward third-class mail and we have to pay full postage when the bulletins are returned to us. This adds up during the course of the winter.

If you know you are going away, please contact jschachter@tsinai.org or call the office at 381-6890. Let us know the dates you will be away. If you would like us to send the bulletin, give us your winter address and we will make sure to send it. If you would like to access the bulletin online instead, please do so by visiting www.tsinai.org.

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOUR BULLETIN IS RETURNED TO US, WE WILL NOT SEND ONE AGAIN UNTIL YOU INFORM US THAT YOU ARE BACK IN TOWN. PLEASE HELP US SAVE MONEY BY CONTACTING US TODAY!

Women's Chavurah

PLEASE JOIN THE WOMEN'S' CHAVURAH
For a Special Zoom Session

WITH

JUDGE KAREN MORRIS

As She Discusses

LEGAL ISSUES RESULTING FROM THE PANDEMIC

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10th

7:00 p.m.

PLEASE CHECK THE TEMPLE WEBSITE FOR THE LINK:
www.tsinai.org
THE PASSWORD WILL BE THE STANDARD TEMPLE SINAI PASSWORD.

Judge Karen Morris has been the Brighton Town Justice since 1994. She is a Professor of Law at Monroe Community College, an author, the recipient of numerous awards, and an active community leader in many organizations, such as Brighton Kiwanis, and the Big Sister Program.

PLEASE JOIN US!
AND, AS ALWAYS, NOT FOR WOMEN ONLY!

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Order Pies By Friday, November 13

Temple Sinai is a partner in the Habitat Interfaith Partnership which builds Habitat Homes for needy families in Rochester. Each November we sell pies with the profits going to Habitat, a great anti-poverty program. The pies are homemade at Kelly's Fruit Farm in Hilton from scratch using fruit grown on their farm. The pies are made with vegetable shortening and have no preservatives.

The pies are exceptionally delicious and weigh 4 1/2 pounds each. The pies cost $17 each and come in three flavors, Apple Crumb, Apple Raspberry and Pumpkin. The Apple Crisp Loaf weighs 2 1/2 pounds and costs $13.

Please order online at tsinai.org or fill out the order form and return it to the Temple Office by Friday November 13. Make your checks out to Temple Sinai. **The pies can be picked up at Temple on Tuesday November 24 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.**

Please contact Ron Newman at newmanruns@gmail.com for further information.

Shalom,
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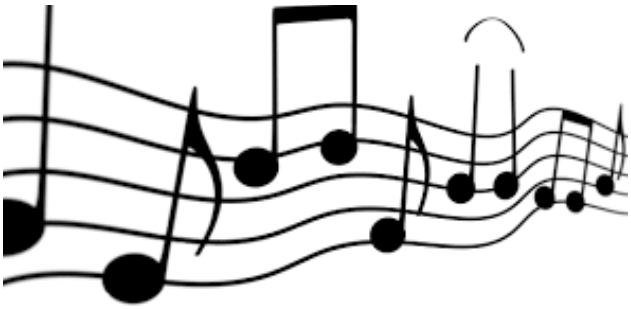
Sinai Sings!



We cordially invite you to participate in our first Sinai Sings initiative. While we would all rather be sitting in our actual sanctuary, we continue to make efforts to experience feelings of togetherness during this time from slightly afar. As the season of Hanukkah is approaching, we are looking to involve as many people in the congregation as possible, joining their voices together in the singing of 'Oh Hanukkah.'

How will we accomplish this? With your help! We need every voice, because that is the sound that fills so many of us up when we are in the sanctuary, the sound of singing together. This is NOT for choir members or singers only. If you sing along in services or to anything, we want you!

How will this work? You will need to record yourself singing along to the track of Cantor Braun and Irina that can be accessed on the temple website.

New to recording yourself? Watch the tutorial video that was sent to you via email the week of October 19 for a step by step guide.

Concerned about navigating the technology? Lindsey Hagan will be hosting open recording sessions on Zoom and will happily walk you through the process!

Please join us in this initiative together. Our goal is to reach 10x Chai (180) voices strong! Let's sing Sinai! Let's bring light to the community!

Questions? Contact Cantor Braun at cantorbraun@tsinai.org or Lindsey Hagan at lindseyehagan@gmail.com.

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