



Shabbat and Worship Calendar

Friday, January 3 | 6 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat Service with
Torah reading

Friday, January 10 | 6 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat Service
Come Grow With Me! Shabbat with
Rabbi Shana, Lauren Smith and guest
musician, Joe Grasso

Friday, January 17 | 6 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Friday, January 24 | 6 pm
Kol Nashim Women's Shabbat
Kabbalat Shabbat Service
Guest Speaker: Loree Resnik,
Executive Director Emerita
Dinner with RSVP will follow services
(please RSVP by 1/20)

Saturday, January 25 | 10:30 am
Bar Mitzvah: Daniel Lust

Friday, January 31 | 6 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat Service



MAZAL TOV

Daniel Lust, son of
Svetlana Pundik
and **David Lust**, will
become *Bar Mitzvah*
on Saturday, January
25 at 10:30 am.

Mazal Tov to the whole family!

Sheldon & Hadar: One weekend. Three perspectives.



Hadar Orshalimy and Sheldon Low bring more than music to their stage—they bring an original experience. When they perform, they teach their music and they share their stories with joy, love and connection. Their passion for the messages of tune and text are contagious.

It makes so much sense to bring Sheldon and Hadar as artists and residence to Suburban Temple-Kol Ami. Being able to share our community with them, with its rich tradition of welcoming, exploration, and innovation—is a real match.

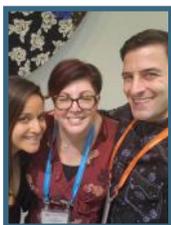
I know that everyone who joins us on January 18 will experience the magic of Suburban Temple-Kol Ami and Sheldon and Hadar.



At Suburban, music infuses so much of what we do. Music has such an amazing ability to speak to our souls like no other form of communication.

Whether we are singing together, or sitting quietly and letting the notes wash over us, or even noticing songs playing in the background when we arrive for Our Tent on Sunday mornings, music brings us together.

After one of our outdoor services this past summer, while enjoying challah in the lobby together, a spontaneous song session broke out. It started with a congregant remembering an *Oseh Shalom* they missed hearing, which of course inspired me to start singing immediately... others joined in, faces lighting up, calling out lyrics and tunes from Jewish summer camp and services that they'd loved over the years. Smiles were everywhere, and joy, and an awesome sense of community - all from sharing music.



If you truly wish your children to study Torah, study it yourself in their presence. Otherwise, they will not themselves study Torah but will simply instruct their children to do so. (Rabbi Menahem Mendel of Kotzk)

The great rabbi reminds us that learning does not have an endpoint – it should be a lifelong pursuit. He also teaches us that we must lead by example. One of the greatest strengths of the Our Tent program is that we have multiple generations learning together. Not only are we learning about Judaism in innovative ways, but we are learning from the different lived experiences of our classmates.

On Holy Grounds: Our Tent's Tikkun Olam Coffee House and Showcase is a salute to that learning. We gather for a morning of honoring our fellow learners as they share and perform pieces from their classes. We also celebrate community as we honor Dr. King's legacy and our responsibility to *tikkun olam* (repairing the world). This year our celebration will include Sheldon and Hadar as they teach us about *tikkun olam* through music. Join us!



pop with jewish themes?

jewish songs with a pop vibe...

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From Brett's Desk:



Thank you. Each year I attend the National Association of Temple Administration annual conference. This is my opportunity to sit with approximately 170 other executive directors to share, learn, laugh, commiserate and more over a few days. This year, in the days leading up to the 2019 Union for Reform Judaism biennial, we met in Chicago.

For me, the opportunity to spend time with colleagues is priceless. Yes, the sessions are informative, but the best times are those spent talking in small groups about the challenges and opportunities facing us.

I learned from thought leaders in crisis communications (do we have a plan?), researchers studying gender roles in our congregations (with a focus on women rabbis), and major discussions about membership and engagement.

As I continue to think about what I learned, I will share more with my colleagues and the board to see what can be brought to bear on our Suburban Temple – Kol Ami community.

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I have a request of you. Recently, I met a woman who grew up in Shaker and at ST-KA. She grew up with Rabbi Silverman as her clergy and surreptitiously recorded his final Shabbat service with a tape recorder under her chair in the sanctuary. She had it digitized and sent to me for our records. How fascinating it was for me to listen to it.

As we begin planning to celebrate the 75th anniversary of ST-KA in 2023, please let me know if you have historical documents, photos, or other items relevant to our history. I'm just beginning to think of how we might use this history as part of our celebrations. Thank you.

Best wishes for a wonderful 2020!

Brett



**...whatever you call it,
it's going to be a special night!**

General Admission seats are \$18.

Youth Admission (college age and under) seats are \$13.

Special Pre-Concert Party Passes which include dessert, Israeli wine, a meet and greet with the artists *and* a Reserved Seat are \$36.

All ticket levels are available to members and the community!

Tickets can be purchased on our site's concert page:
<https://www.suburbantemple.org/manyvoices>

Sheldon Low & Hadar Orshalimy are...

We Are The Northern Lights





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APRIL 25 (noon) - **APRIL 26** (noon)

*24 hours of learning & laughter,
friends & family, meaning & mayhem!*



\$75 per adult* and \$45 per kid
(includes all meals and accommodations)

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or by calling the Temple office at 216.991.0700

*for double occupancy (single occupancy \$140)

This retreat is made possible through generous grants from the Jewish Education Center of Cleveland.

around the community...



On Sunday, December 8, our congregants gathered at the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage for a special docent-led tour of the **Leonard Bernstein: The Power of Music** exhibit. If you missed this opportunity, the exhibit runs through March 5, 2020!



Tikkun Olam...
A cheerful group of congregants attended a Sip 'n Sort gathering at the Cleveland Kids' Book Bank. They sorted books which will be distributed to the area's underprivileged kids while enjoying hot cider, snacks and each other's company.

Chanukah in Israel...

To celebrate *Chanukah* in Israel was extraordinary!

Chanukah is a minor festival, yet it symbolizes so much. It celebrates freedom, renewal, and dedication. We felt all of this-and more- during our trip. We studied about our responsibility to be a free people and a faith. We learned about the history of the land and our religion. It is only when you are here that you can begin to understand and really feel the country. You can feel a piece of your heart falling for this magical and complicated country.

Chanukah is also a festival of light- how much light we experienced in our learning while we traveled through the country seeing the ancient and the new, celebrating with Maddy Pilloff on the occasion of her *bat mitzvah*, volunteering, and of course, eating! We traveled from Tel Aviv to Golan to Sfat to Jerusalem- just to name a few locations- and fell in love with the diversity and wonder that is Israel.

- Rabbi Allison Vann



Follow the weblink to view *Kolot Kol Ami's* performance of "Ocho Kandelikas" from Light These Lights (December 20):

<http://bit.ly/KKA8Kandelikas>

Greetings from Kol Nashim!



Shalom!

I hope everyone had a joyous *Chanukah*. On December 8th, *Kol Nashim* sponsored a private docent-led tour of the Leonard Bernstein Exhibit at the Maltz Museum. More than 20 members of the congregation and friends participated and were led and educated by two wonderful docents, Jeff Kaplan and Renee Siegel. If you were unable to join us, this exhibit should not be missed. Thank you to Elyn Ross for chairing this event. Also in December, *Kol Nashim* sponsored the Faculty Appreciation Lunch to thank the Our Tent faculty and madrichim.

On January 24th, please join us for *Kol Nashim* Shabbat. See the final page of the bulletin for more details. On February 6th, *Kol Nashim* will hold a book discussion on Ronald Balson's book, *The Trust*. We will meet outside Nervous Dog at Beachwood Lifestyle Center (La Place) at 7:00. All our welcome, including men! Please RSVP to the office.

Please remember that you can still join *Kol Nashim*. Your \$54.00 dues helps the congregation by sponsoring things such as *b'nai mitzvah* gifts and the faculty appreciation lunch.

Stay warm!

Shellie Nyer

President

thenyers@aol.com

In Memoriam

Dear Relative

Mildred Mandell

Mary Jane Waterhouse

Dear Friend

Jennifer Walker



January Programs, Events, and Meetings

Torah Study meets every Saturday morning from 9:15-10:15 am. Join us in the Gries Library for bagels and open discussion about the Torah.

Tues., Jan. 7 7 pm | Open Doors Committee Meeting

Wed., Jan. 8 7 pm | Finance Committee Meeting

Sun., Jan. 12 9 am | Our Tent

Mon., Jan. 13 7 pm | Board of Trustees Meeting

Mon., Jan. 18 7 pm | We Are The Northern Lights: IN CONCERT!
(See front page article and ad on page 2)

Sun., Jan. 19 9 am | On Holy Grounds: Our Tent's *Tikkun Olam* Coffee House

Mon., Jan. 20 **OFFICES CLOSED FOR MLK, JR. DAY**

Fri., Jan. 24 6 pm | *Kol Nashim* Women's Shabbat followed by dinner
(See back cover)

Sun., Jan. 26 9 am | Our Tent

..... 12 pm | JESP Meeting

Wed., Jan. 29 4 pm | Calvary Church Community Supper

..... 7 pm | Executive Committee Meeting

COMING SOON...

come grow with me! shabbat

Friday, January 10 | 6 pm

**HAD A TOUGH WEEK? LET US TAKE CARE OF SHABBAT!
FROM SERVICES TO DINNER... IT'S ON US!**

- Fun interactive service for newborns-2nd graders and their families with Rabbi Shana, Lauren Smith and guest musician, Joe Grasso
- 3rd-7th graders and their families join Rabbi Vann for part of the service in the sanctuary
- FREE dinner for Everyone!
- FREE books for Children!

The evening is free and open to the community so invite your friends with Jewish children. Please RSVP to Keesha Sellars at 216.991.0700 or via e-mail at ksellars@suburbantemple.org.

The next *Come Grow With Me!* is on **February 21**.

on holy grounds:

our tent's tikkun olam coffeehouse showcase

Sunday, January 19 | 10 am

The third annual *On Holy Grounds* will bring together the congregation for a morning of art, music, and reflection. Highlights include:

- Brunch coffee house to celebrate our first two trimesters of learning
- Learners' art on display
- Performances by those who took Our Tent classes
- Special *Tikkun Olam* themed performances by our guest musicians, Sheldon Low and Hadar Orshalimy

Please RSVP by January 10 at 216.991.0700 or email Keesha Sellars at ksellars@suburbantemple.org

Shabbat Acknowledgements

We are grateful to the following people who helped make our November worship services a beautiful experience:

Shabbat Blessings: Diane Greene, Susan Gordon Merdler and Lyle Merdler, Flossy Mitchell, Rabbi Allison, Charlie and Isaac Vann

Torah Blessings: Howard Feldenkris

Announcements: Dave Aron, Matt Lehman, Sandy Shapiro, Bruce Sherman

Ushers: Noreen Bertman, Diane Greene, Susan Hirsch, Rene Klein, Lesly Kohner, Jan Lieblich, Debra Light, Flossy and Dennis Mitchell, Kärstin Olofsson, Richard Skall

Kolot Kol Ami: Jodi Ashby, Howard Feldenkris, Muriel Lederman, Natalie Skall, Linda Wolfe, Lyle Merdler (guest percussionist)

Bimah Flowers and Oneg Shabbat Sponsors

On November 1, bimah flowers were gifts from **Barbara Andelman and Richard Nemeth** in loving memory of Eleanor Jeanne Andelman

On November 1, bimah flowers were gifts from **Dori and Blair Haas** in loving memory of Helen Haas Winarick and Alvin N. Haas

On November 1, bimah flowers were gifts from **Elisabeth and Lawrence Kirsch** in loving memory of Julian B. Galvin, MD

On November 1, the oneg Shabbat was from **Tom Gerson** in loving memory of Eleanor Gerson

On November 8, bimah flowers were gifts from **Jane & Daniel Laibstain, Marcia & Andrew Margolius and Barbara & Richard Margolius** in loving memory of Phyllis W. Margolius

On November 15, bimah flowers were gifts from **Jane & Daniel Laibstain, Marcia & Andrew Margolius and Barbara & Richard Margolius** in loving memory of David L. Margolius

On November 15, bimah flowers were gifts from **Maxine Singer and D. Peter Hochberg** in loving memory of Helen Leight Duke

On November 15, bimah flowers and oneg shabbat were gifts from **Julie and Matt Lehman** in loving memory of Ted Preston

On November 22, bimah flowers were gifts from **Heidi and James Mell** in loving memory of Elka Czako

On November 22, bimah flowers were gifts from **Jane and Jonathan Forman** in loving memory of Manuel Forman

On November 22, bimah flowers were gifts from **Diane and Harvey Scholnick** in loving memory of Dorothy Mirsky and Evelyn Scholnick



Are you 70½? Have you considered a charitable IRA rollover? A gift to ST-KA will strengthen the Temple and may provide you with a tax benefit*.

Contact Brett Shankman for more information.

*Always discuss gift planning and distributions with your financial planner and tax advisor.

Milestone Birthdays and Anniversaries

Mazal tov to our members who are celebrating milestone birthdays in January:

**Tracey Cohen
Dori Haas
Susan Halle
Maria Litt
Barbara Robinson**

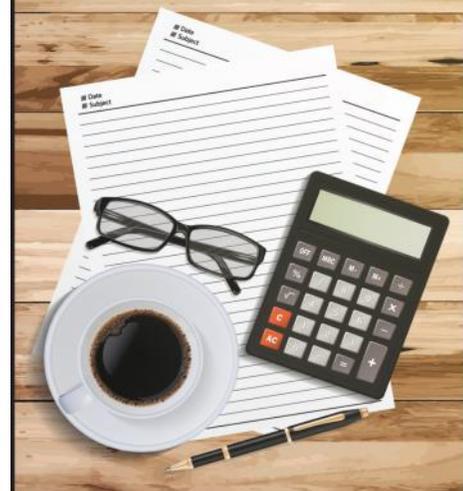
Mazal tov to our members who are celebrating milestone anniversaries:

**Joan and Richard Loeff
(60 years)
Lynn and Robert Markus
(40 years)**

Milestone birthday listings begin at age fifty and every five years afterwards. All birthdays 100 and over are listed.

Remember ST-KA through a bequest or other charitable vehicle in your estate plan.

Please contact Brett Shankman for more information.



We Gratefully Acknowledge the Following Contributions

Please consider making a contribution to Suburban Temple-Kol Ami to celebrate a special occasion, express gratitude or sympathy, or honor important accomplishments. A current list of temple funds is available from the temple office. Donations may be made online at www.suburbantemple.org/form/STKAdonation-form. Donations listed below were received between November 1 and November 30, 2019. Please let us know of any errors or omissions.

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Give Us a Call!

Are you or is someone you know looking for rabbinic guidance or a rabbinic visit? Please contact the office to speak with **Rabbi Vann** or to set up an appointment to speak with her. We are open **Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am—5:00 pm** and **8:00 am—3:00 pm on Fridays**.

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Don't forget, you can watch Kabbalat Shabbat services live (or recorded) on our website. Please visit www.suburbantemple.org and select the "at home" tab under "WORSHIP".





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kol nashim women's shabbat

friday, january 24 | 6 pm

guest speaker: Loree Resnik,
Executive Director Emerita

Loree Resnik served Suburban Temple-Kol Ami as its Executive Director for 33 years, retiring in 2011. Before and during that tenure she was also the Director of the Temple's Religious School. Over those years, Loree was President of the Jewish Educator's Council in Cleveland, founding President of the Cleveland Temple and Synagogue Administrators organization and, after many years on the Board and as an officer, she served the National Association of Temple Administration as its President. She began a tenure as a trustee of ARZA, the Association of Reform Zionists of America (a branch of the Union for Reform Judaism) and served as its Vice President of Development and was named the first ARZA Life Trustee. Since retirement, she has served as a regional Vice President of the American Jewish Committee, an advocacy member of NCJW's Cleveland Section, and most recently as a leader of J Street in Cleveland.



PARTICIPATION: Please contact us by **Monday, January 13** you would like to participate in the service and please indicate if you would like an English, Hebrew or non-speaking part.

DINNER will follow services: **\$20 per person.** Please RSVP by NOON on Monday, January 20. Please indicate entrée selection of Lemon Chicken or Eggplant Parmesan.

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