



Shabbat and Worship Calendar

Friday, October 1 | 6 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Friday, October 8 | 6 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat Service
Come Grow With Me! Shabbat with
Rabbi Shana and Maggie Wise

Friday, October 15 | 6 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Friday, October 22 | 6 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Friday, October 29 | 6 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Saturday, October 30 | 10:30 AM
Bar Mitzvah: Zachary Nathenson

Registration is requested for in-person attendance. Services will be simulcast on our website, YouTube, and Facebook.

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REGISTRATION AND LINKS:

www.suburbantemple.org/shabbat.html

MAZAL TOV!

Zachary Nathenson, son of Randi and David Nathenson, will become *Bar Mitzvah* on Saturday, October 30th.



Mazal tov to the Nathenson family!



Come Grow With Me is BACK!

Turn to the back cover for more information about this fun and engaging service for our children ages 0-7!

WELCOMING THE STRANGER



The Broadway musical *Come From Away* came to Cleveland in 2019, and it was an inspiration. I loved watching it again, this time on the “small screen”, as it was filmed and released on September 10, in honor of the 20th anniversary of 9/11.

Married writing partners David Hein and Irene Sankoff were inspired by the story of what occurred when 38 planes were grounded in Gander, Newfoundland, on 9/11, as U. S. airspace was closed. Gander, and the surrounding small towns, had the population of about 9,000—and by the time all 38 planes landed, nearly 7,000 international travelers were stranded “on the northeast tip of North America”! They were stranded for just about 5 days.

By all logical reasoning, this should have been the recipe for unmitigated disaster. However, the residents came together to house, feed and clothe the stranded passengers—and animals. At their own expense, they gathered everything from blankets to toilet paper and diapers to t-shirts. They figured out medical needs and overcame language barriers. Friendships were forged, and even a romance.

When Hein and Sankoff heard of these unbelievable experiences, they traveled to Gander for the tenth anniversary of 9/11 in 2011, interviewing as many people as they could. The writers were both moved and inspired by the thousands of stories of kindness and generosity and warmth in the face of tragedy. They created the show, which successfully moved to Broadway in 2017.

There is a line in the show that echoes in my head: “If a stranger ends up at your door, you welcome them in”. *Come From Away* is about the most Jewish of values: welcoming the stranger. It is literally about welcoming those who physically “come from away.”

During the month of October, we’ll read the Torah portion Vayeira. In this Torah portion, Abraham provides a model for welcoming the stranger—and hospitality. Sitting at the doorway to his tent in the heat of the day, after recovering from his circumcision, he sees three strangers in the distance. He does not know them, yet he showers them with his finest foods and attention. He cares for them and they feel abundantly welcome, and in return, they bless him. The Torah will continue to emphasize this lesson, reminding us no less than 36 times to care for the stranger.

May *Come From Away* be a beautiful inspiration—may we each be like the residents of Gander and like Abraham and Sarah!

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FROM BRETT'S DESK

In April 1979, Sister Sledge released the song, "We are Family". If you're familiar with the R&B and pop hit, you certainly know the chorus:

*We are family
I got all my sisters with me
We are family
Get up everybody and sing
We are family
I got all my sisters with me
We are family
Get up everybody and sing*

Perhaps, you know all the lyrics. The second verse has a line that I've been reflecting on over the last few days.

Have faith in you and the things you do

To me, "you" is a royal "you" – the ST-KA board, membership, and critically, the entire ST-KA staff.

The Delta variant of COVID-19 turned our plans around. We announced an online High Holy Day experience just under 3 weeks before Erev Rosh Hashanah and everyone's blood pressure went up.

It's not easy to change High Holy Day plans so quickly.

Have faith in you and the things you do. Trust that everyone will step up to ensure that our ST-KA family will have an amazing High Holy Day experience.

Have faith in you and the things you do. Trust that our Board leadership fully back the decisions and will advocate for those decisions.

Have faith in you and the things you do. Trust that the congregation's members will be online, will feel connected and engaged, and if needed, will be forgiving when tech or something is not perfect.

Have faith in you and the things you do. Trust that through it all, your professional colleagues will bring their A-game.

Have faith in you and the things you do. I can't possibly say thank you enough, nor sufficiently acknowledge the extra hours, trips to MicroCenter, learning from YouTube videos and so much more, but to Rabbi Allison Vann, Rabbi Shana Nyer, Cantorial Soloist Deb Rogers, Musical Accompanist Buck McDaniel, Jacob Rogers whose technical expertise made our online experience amazing, John Farragher, and Charlotte Versagi who worked more hours than anyone should have been asked to... *I have faith in you and the things you do.*

B'shalom,

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Shabbat Services On our Website!

We've upped our game... we are now **SIMULCASTING** our LIVE SERVICES in HIGH DEFINITION on our [website](#), on [YouTube](#), and on [Facebook](#)! If you can't join us in the sanctuary, we invite you to participate online.



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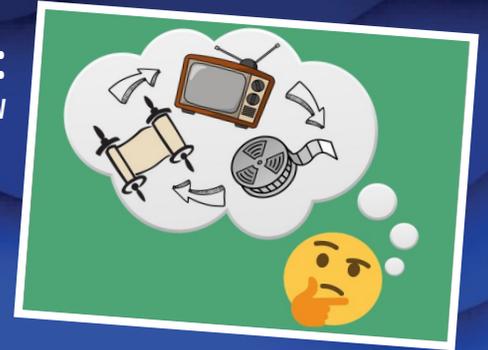
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How Lovely are ALL the Sacred Places We Create Together

Turn It, Turn It, Turn It Again:
Looking at TV, Movies, & Torah from a Different Point of View



20th Century Jewish History

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A hands-on, mouth-watering culinary journey



Old Words, New Meanings—for TEENS!

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2nd Sundays @ 1 PM Starting October 17th

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2nd Wednesdays @ 7 PM Starting October 13th

gatherings

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st-ka member moments



high holy day memories



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[CLICK HERE TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT with RABBI VANN](#)



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Milestone Birthdays And Anniversaries

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

Benson Pilloff
Rabbi Allison Vann

...and to our members celebrating milestone **anniversaries** in October:

Dan and Amy Schuman
Mark Heller and Sara Stashower

Milestone birthday listings begin at age fifty and every five years afterwards. **All birthdays 100 and over are listed.** Milestone anniversary listings begin at 10 years and then every five years afterwards.

*"The Book of V.
is a marvel."
—Jane Hamilton*

THE BOOK OF V.

ANNA SOLOMON

A Novel

kol nashim book club

Monday, October 18th | 7 PM

THE BOOK OF V.

by Anna Solomon

This kaleidoscopic novel intertwines the lives of a Brooklyn mother in 2016, a senator's wife in 1970s Washington DC, and Queen Esther. Their stories of sex, power and desire overlap and ultimately converge, showing how women's roles have—and have not— changed over thousands of years.

**'ENGROSSING, HIGHLY READABLE,
DARKLY SEXY'**

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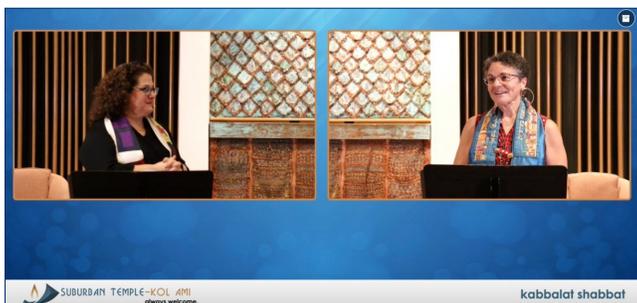


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KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICES

Fridays | 6 PM

Rabbi Vann & Cantorial Soloist Deb Rogers are leading Shabbat services in our Sanctuary every Friday evening. Join us in person (registration required for contract tracing purposes), or tune in LIVE on our website, Facebook, or YouTube. Previous service recordings are also available! Hope to see you, or "see" you, there!



Click here for all the details and links:
www.suburbantemple.org/shabbat.html

COME GROW WITH ME!

Friday, October 8th | 6 PM

Rabbi Shana & Songleader Maggie Wise will lead a fun, interactive musical service for children 0-7 and their families on Friday evening, October 8th.

The evening is free and open to the community, so we encourage you to invite your friends with Jewish children to come and see what it's all about!



Please RSVP for the service and dinner to
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