



September 2021

Elul-Tishrei 5781

### High Holy Days at Temple Sinai 5782

All services will be held in-person in the Temple Sinai sanctuary and available by live-stream on the Temple Sinai homepage: www.templesinaipd.org.

Click on the television icon.

**Dates and Times** 

#### Rosh Hashanah

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 7:00 PM EREV ROSH HASHANAH

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 10:00 AM ROSH HASHANAH MORNING SERVICE

1:30 PM CHILDREN'S HIGH HOLY DAY EXPERIENCE

Yom Kippur

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 7:00 PM KOL NIDRE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 10:00 AM
YOM KIPPUR MORNING

1:30 PM CHILDRENS HIGH HOLY DAY EXPERIENCE

3:00 PM HEALING SERVICE

4:00 PM AFTERNOON SERVICE, DISCUSSION ON JONAH, YIZKOR, NEILAH

Break the Fast Following (reservations required)

#### From the Rabbi

How good it is to be together on this day!

Last year we gathered online as a community to bring in 5781. Like so many others, it was a year where we experienced highs and lows except that we were also living with a pandemic. The fear and anxiety provoked by this now mutated (and highly contagious) virus had all of us retreating like turtles into our shells, emerging only for what we needed to survive. Life's joys were pushed aside in our efforts to remain uninfected.

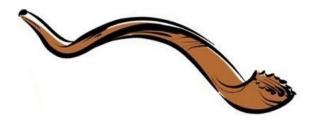


**Rabbi David Novak** 

Fortunately three different Covid vaccines were granted emergency approval-and one just received full FDA approval. Our Jewish community has always believed in medicine and vaccination. This is demonstrated by a recent Public Religion Resource Institute study that showed that 85% of Jewish people are vaccinated—the highest of any religious group or ethnicity.

Being together at Sinai this year is a vast improvement over last year's online only presence. Still, those of us who will attend Sinai in person for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur will again find ourselves vaccinated—and masked. When we encounter each other's faces, we will all look a little harder at creating connections with our eyes as the warmth our smiles create will be covered.

It is my hope that whether you are in our sanctuary or joining us online, you will be inspired by prayers, divrei Torah, and music that will reach your core. As we enter 5782 we are hopeful that the old year and its curses will be replaced by the new one with its blessings, for life, health, and all that is good. L'shana Tovah.





On Rosh Hashanah wishing you peace, happiness, good luck God's blessing and success. L'shanah Tovah!

Toni Victor & Barry Kaiman





May your new year be filled with health, happiness, and sweet memories.

From the Temple Sinai Board of Directors

A day of joy, a time of hope, a year of happiness. Wishing you peace at Rosh Hashanah and always.

Ann & Glynne Miller

#### From the President

This is a special and exciting time of year for Jews all over the world. The High Holy Days are a moment when one can feel the anticipation, and, perhaps, the emotion, in the air. Even those who come to worship with us for only these two holidays are moved to be present. One question I am asked by congregants is if we are really going to come together in person as a community. The answer is yes. For those who want to be at Sinai in-person the rabbi and our cantorial soloist Wayne Abravanel are prepared to lead us in prayer and music. In turn, we greet one another as the strong, diverse community that we are and for that I am so grateful.



Sanford Friedman, President

Last year many of us noticed the loss when services were streamed to our homes. We were unable to interact with one another, something that we have long taken for granted. Still, it showed the strength of our community by participating in the services and all of the online services and activities the temple created for the benefit of its congregants during the pandemic period when we our building was closed.

This year I ask you to pay attention to what it is like to be together to pray and socialize with friends and fellow congregants. A community such as ours does not just happen. It is a precious gift that takes work, cultivation and nurturing for all of us to flourish. This year is a renewal for all of us and for Temple Sinai. May we all be written for a good and sweet new year as we move into our new year together.

L'Shana Tovah.

### Wish list for Temple Sinai

Computers and internet access for classrooms



Volunteer Photographers to attend events and submit photos for website, Shofar, and other publications



Small stepladder for things that are just out of reach

If you can assist with any of the above please contact Toni Robinson at 760-568-9699 ext. 204 or trobinson@templesinaipd.org to learn more about the needs.





From the Temple Manager

Here we are, days away from another chance to do better, be better, feel better and make our world better. Rosh Hashanah brings with it newness and opportunity. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the new members that have joined us over the last 2 years.

Temple Manager Toni Robinson

Erika Altobelli Toni Victor and Barry Kaiman

Elise and Richard Aries Claire and David Krawitz

Gloria and Dennis Berman Caroline and Shaul Mezrahi

Harvey & Melinda Bernstein Florence Miller

Linda and Marc Block Adele Myers

Donald Cornuet and Steven Weiner Rick Nusblatt and Steve Hogan

Resa Fremed David Pollart

Karol Gordon Marvin Rosenblatt and Mark Battat

Ilene and Richard Harris Debra Sawicky

Sandra Holzer Joe Weiss

Judy and Matthew Israel Susan and Samuel Winnet

Some of these people are already deeply involved in temple life. I invite you to join them to whatever degree suits you. Participate in events, attend services, sign up for adult education, volunteer in the office, with the religious school, help with one part of one event put on by the auxiliaries. There are many ways that you can be a part of our growth as we move forward and hopefully emerge from this pandemic. The fact that you joined your community during such difficult times speaks volumes about your dedication to strengthen this Jewish community. Thank you for choosing Temple Sinai. I look forward to getting to know you better and helping you create fond memories of your time with us.

#### **Temple Leadership**

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Gladys Layne and Family





On Rosh Hashanah wishing you peace, happiness, good luck God's blessing and success. L'shanah Tovah!

Nancy Pierce

May the sound of the shofar bring in a new year of health, happiness, laughter, and love.

Picce & Bob Glast

#### From the Temple Sinai Educator

Shalom Temple Sinai Congregants, Families, and Students,

It is my privilege to welcome you to the 2021-2022 academic school year.

My name is Talia Lizemer-Hawley and I am very excited about my new position as the Congregational Educator at Temple Sinai.

Prior to this position I served 8 years as Education Director and Museum Curator of the Tolerance Education Center, and 11 years as the Judaic Coordinator, Spanish, Hebrew & Judaic Studies teacher of the Jewish Community School of the Desert (JCSD).

Our Community School will begin on Sunday, September 19, 2021 at 9:30 AM.

The schedule will be as follows:

Sundays K – 7 9:30 – 12:00 noon

8 – 10 12:00 noon – 1:30 pm

Tuesdays 4-7 3:30/4:00 -6:00 pm

As of today, classes will resume in-person. We will be adhering to CDC guidelines and implementing safety protocols to ensure that our students, families, educators, Temple staff and volunteers will be safe and protected.

I am committed to engage every student in his/her/their way by providing them with the opportunity to Do Jewish by exploring Jewish rituals, holidays, community and values through hands-on, inclusive, and meaningful experiences.

My hope is that our students will see themselves as an integral part of our local and worldwide Jewish community for years to come.

I will be looking forward to receiving your 2021-2022 / 5782 registration form. Its completion will assist us in ordering adequate materials for each classroom.

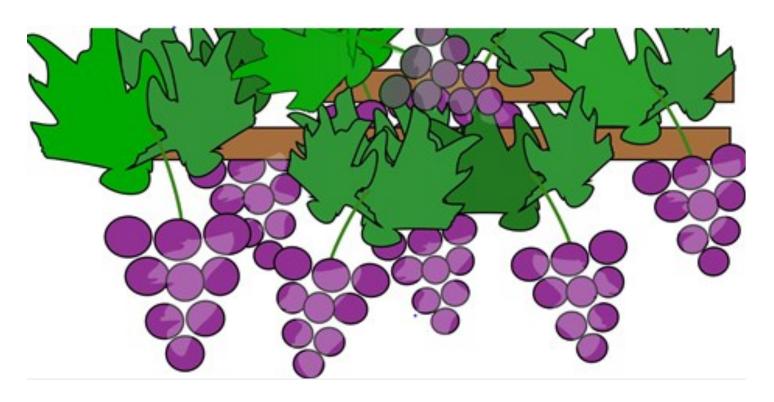
Thank you for entrusting your children's Jewish education to our dedicated teaching staff. These wonderful teachers continually work to provide enriching opportunities for Jewish learning and religious exploration.

Warmly,

Talia Lizemer-Hawley Congregational Educator



Talia Lizemer, Educator



# Join Brotherhood for a Relaxing Day in the Temecula Wine Country Followed by Dinner

Thursday, September 30

The all-day bus tour includes wine tasting, drinks and snacks.



Please send an email to Gordon Kramer (gordeve@aol.com) to reserve yourself a spot.

Estimated cost is \$55 per person (does not include dinner).



May the sound of the shofar bring in a new year of health, happiness, laughter, and love.

Reesa Manning



A day of joy, a time of hope, a year of happiness. Wishing you peace at Rosh Hashanah and always.

Robert & Carole Adelstein



Shara Jova!

Bobby & Michael Sacks

Sandie Eichberg, President, Women of Sinai

#### From Women of Sinai

The Women of Sinai wish our congregation L'Shanah Tovah, a good year of health and happiness. We look forward to a declining pandemic and the opportunity to be together in person for the first Women of Sinai luncheon in 19 months. Look on page 12 for infor-



mation about our panel discussion on 90 Years in the Desert: The Jewish Community in the Coachella Valley. Did you know that refugees from the Holocaust and as well as service men returning from World War II founded a synagogue in Desert Hot Springs with fund-

ing from the Federation? Did you know that Tamarisk Country Club was established because Jews were not allowed to belong to other clubs? Did you know that Temple Isaiah received a huge donation from concerts given by Frank Sinatra after he was impressed with the Rabbi at Isaiah who spoke at Frank's mother's funeral? Learn more on Monday, October 4. We look forward to seeing you then.



May the sound of the shofar bring in a new year of health, happiness, laughter, and love.

From all of us at Temple Sinai — Adrian, Ben, Rabbi David, Elaine, Gary, Talia, and Toni



In the new year, may your world be blessed with peace.

Sharon & Rod Hill

Women of Singi Presents:

#### 90 Years in the Desert:

# The Jewish Community in the Coachella Valley Monday, October 4 at 12:00 PM Luncheon and Panel Discussion

- History of Temple Sinai
- Post-World War II in Desert Hot Springs
- The Founding of Tamarisk Country Club
- Anti-Semitism in the Valley

Men welcome • Pre-paid reservations only - No walk-ins



Reservation deadline is **Thursday, September 30**. Cost is \$25.00 for dues-paying and complimentary members of Women of Sinai, and \$30.00 for all others.

Make checks payable to <u>Women of Sinai</u>, 73251 Hovley Lane West, Palm Desert, CA 92260. Or call the temple — 760-568-9699.

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#### With Thanks for Your Donations to the High Holy Days Pulpit Flower Fund

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Temple Sinai uses "Mishkan Hanefesh" Machzor for the High Holy Days. For those who prefer to join the services through live-stream, new copies of the Machzor, and E-Book versions are available from the publisher.

https://www.ccarnet.org/publications/hhd-2021/

Temple Sinai members are welcome to come in and check out a temple copy for the duration of the High Holy Days.





May the sound of the shofar bring in a new year of health, happiness, laughter, and love.

Julie Fey-Clark, Scott and Tommy Clark





On Rosh Hashanah wishing you peace, happiness, good luck God's blessing and success.

L'shanah Tovah!

Fred Fabricant

A day of joy, a time of hope, a year of happiness. Wishing you peace at Rosh Hashanah and always.

Mitzie & Jack Olshansky

#### **Birthdays**

9/1 Fran Lubens

9/3 Linda Dyer

9/4 Bea Eslamboly Debra Sawicky

9/7 Rachel Sanford Eric Presser

9/8 Sabrina Mazet Elaine Eldred Amy Lond

9/11 Jane Krubiner Jack Allen

9/12 Harold Weinstein Alissa Marshall

9/13 Judy Egendorf

9/16 Norma Jacobson Erika Altobelli Lexi Berman

> 9/19 Arthur Shorr Levi Stone Alex Horne

9/20 Paul Stone Donald Vann

9/23 Patricia Levy

9/29 Chloe Sontz

#### **Anniversaries**

9/1 Nancy & Len Foster Debra & John Trudeau

9/3 Ruth & Jerry Newman

9/6
Elise & Richard Aries

9/7 Betsy & Gary Kreger Ann & Jim Loeb

9/12 Sharyn & Raymond McKee

9/15 Sanford Friedman & Jerry Hipps

> 9/19 Rollee & Philip Smith

9/26 Robin & David Marguleas





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Fran Lubens & Family



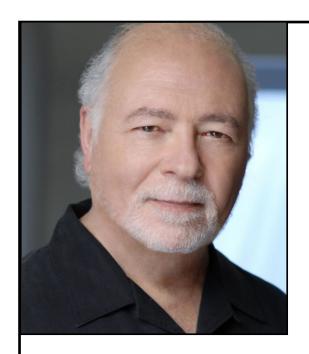


Shara Jova!

Eve & Gordon Kramer

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Linda and Howard Vogel



Internationally Acclaimed Author of "Scorpion" and "Homeland," Temple Sinai's own

# **Andrew Kaplan**

comes to Temple Sinai to discuss his award-winning new spy novel

# **Blue Madagascar**

# Sunday, October 24, at 4:00 PM

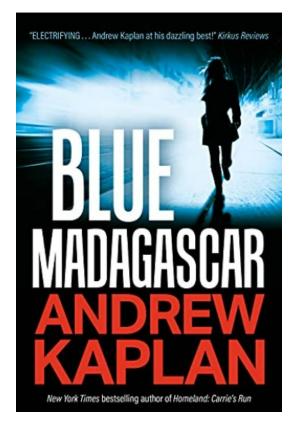
A former journalist and war correspondent, Andrew Kaplan covered events around the world, and served in both the U.S. Army and the Israeli Army. His film writing career includes the James Bond classic, Goldeneye.

There is no charge, but please RSVP to Temple Sinai
760-568-9699
by Thursday, October 21.

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Sandie Eichberg

# Shana Jova!

Nancy & Arthur Shorr



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Nancy Singer



## **ROSH HASHANAH**

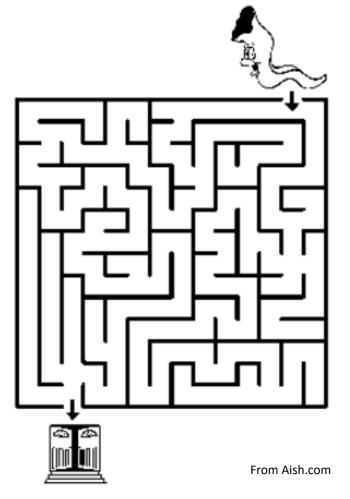
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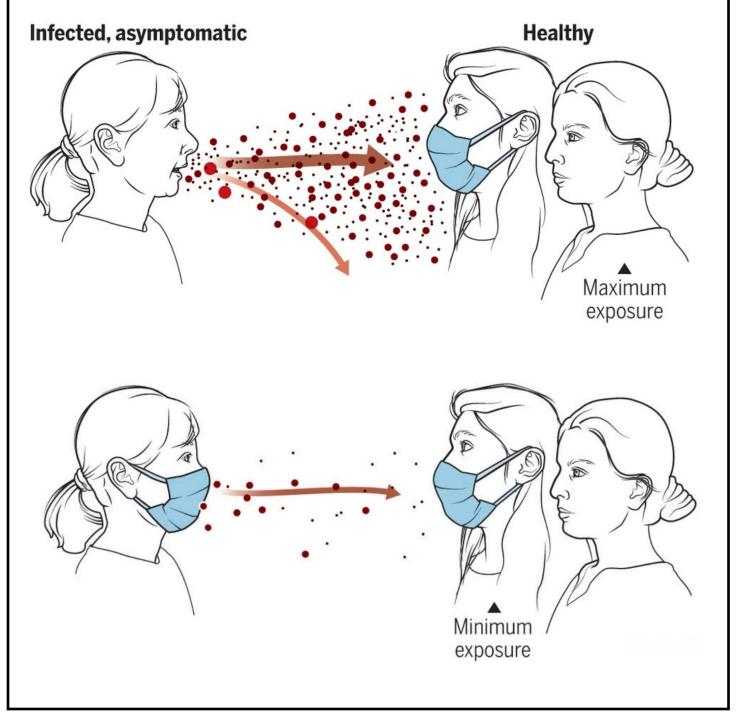
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## Masks reduce airborne transmission

Infectious aerosol particles can be released during breathing and speaking by asymptomatic infected individuals. No masking maximizes exposure, whereas universal masking results in the least exposure.



# September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					Sanctuary & Livestream	Morning Service 10:00 Chapel and Zoom
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	Erev Rosh	Doch Hocho			Erev Shabbat Service 5:30	Torah Study 8:45 AM Shabbat
	Hashanah 7:00 PM	Rosh Hasha- nah Morning 10:00 AM			Sanctuary & Livestream	Morning Service 10:00 Chapel and Zoom
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			Kol Nidre 7:00 PM	Yom Kippur Morning 10:00 AM	Erev Shabbat Service 5:30 Sanctuary & Livestream	Torah Study 8:45 AM Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 Chapel and Zoom
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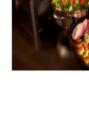
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