

CHAILIGHTS



Rabbi's Reflections

By Rabbi Keren Gorban

Cheshvan, the Month of Shabbat

A number of years ago, I was talking to a group of preschoolers and mentioned that the next holiday after Sukkot and Shemini Atzeret-Simchat Torah is Hanukkah. I explained that Cheshvan, the month between Tishrei (with Rosh HaShanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, and Sh'mini Atzeret-Simchat Torah) and Kislev (with Hanukkah), is called "Mar-Cheshvan" ("Bitter Cheshvan") by the rabbis of the Talmud. The rabbis say that Cheshvan is bitter because it doesn't have any holidays. One precocious student piped up: "But, Rabbi Gorban, what about Shabbat?"

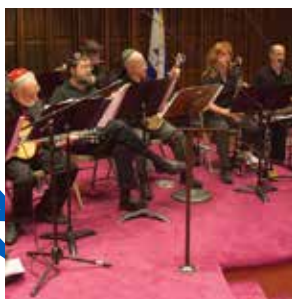
Shabbat, that simple and unassuming but wonderful holiday that comes every week. It happens so often that it is easy to pass over it (sorry...that was a terrible pun). Who wants to go to services or cook a festive meal again after spending so much time at services and preparing for all the other holidays? In opposition to this tendency, the rabbis of the Talmud suggest that the rituals and holidays that come frequently take precedence over those that come less

frequently (*Berakhot 51b*). Shabbat, according to this view, is more important than the other holidays. There are even some holidays that will never fall on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday because they might overshadow Shabbat or conflict with the preparations for Shabbat. But in a packed Jewish holiday season, Shabbat can feel more like a burden than a relief. It's one more holiday to prepare for, it's one more day to have to be at the temple.

And that's why I love Cheshvan, regardless of how it feels about not having any special holidays. Without the distractions of the other holidays, Shabbat feels like a special day—a time to celebrate family and community, a time for rest and fun, and a time of peace.

This year, we even have a number of special Shabbatot during the month of Cheshvan (and early Kislev), with guests like Cantor Lauren Bandman, our own Joey Breslau, Jewish rock artist Dan Nichols, and, of course, our Mostly Musical Shabbat with our Temple Sinai Band. I look forward to celebrating Shabbat with you!

Upcoming
Shabbat
Musical
Guests



**1ST SHABBAT OF
EACH MONTH**
**Mostly Musical
with the Temple
Sinai Band**



10/22
**Cantor Lauren
Bandman**



11/5
Dan Nichols



12/10
**Cantor Rosalie
Will**

LIFE & LEGACY—ASSURING JEWISH TOMORROWS

LEGACY CIRCLE

(as of 9/24/21)

Barbara Allen	Richard D. Kalson
Anonymous (8)	The Kander Family
Marc Adelsheimer & Jamie Stern	Mara & Richard Kaplan
George & Laura Arnold	Carole & Jerry Katz
Jan & Drew Barkley	Robert & Ellen Katzen
Stewart Barmen & Laurie Moser	Robert Kraut & Aya Betensky
Cantor Laura Berman	Susan Berman Kress & Douglas Kress
Ellie & Bob Bernstein	Rachel M. Kudrick
Jennifer H. Bett	Bernard Latterman z"l
Eva Blum	Dale Lazar & Lynn Magid Lazar
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Julian z"l & Rhoda Eligator	David & Rita Pollock
James R. & Morgan Faeder	Rosalyn Carol Richman
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Gina Faiola	Mayda & Barry Roth
Rabbi Daniel J. & Melissa Fellman	Lynn Rubenson
Leslie H. Fleisher	Selma P. Ryave
Nancy E. Gale	John & Denise Schiller
Rabbi James A. & Barbara S. Gibson	Carolyn Schwarz
Arthur Goldberg	Frank Schwarz
Ruth Goldman	Jay Silberblatt
Shirley Goldstein	Edgar Snyder
Edward Goldston	The Solomon Family
Rabbi Keren Gorban	Saul Straussman
David Hauptman & Family	Joseph & Phyllis G. Weinkle
Suzan Hauptman & Family	Women of Temple Sinai
Adora & Stephen Holstein	Ed & Lynda Wrenn
Stephen Jurman & Jeanette Trauth	H. J. Zoffer
	Ronnie Cook Zuhlke

WHY TEMPLE SINAI IS IN OUR FUTURE PLANS

By Dale & Lynn Magid Lazar

Dale has called Temple Sinai "home" since the late 1970s. Lynn moved to Pittsburgh in the 1990s. As we worked to blend our families and our lives, we needed a solid foundation and a "family" more than ever.



Temple Sinai provided that in every possible way. Temple Sinai continued to educate us and our children. We connected with so many others as we shared holidays, milestones, and heartaches. Dale has been a member of the Board of Directors and served the Temple in a variety of capacities. Women of Temple Sinai welcomed Lynn with open arms and supported her on every step of her leadership journey in WRJ (Women of Reform Judaism) and in the North American and International Reform Movement. In fact, everyone at Temple Sinai has embraced our involvement in the Movement, and we have been so proud to share our Reform Movement experiences with a huge delegation of Temple Sinai "family."

So it seems perfectly natural to want to ensure the future of Temple Sinai for many generations to come. The Life & Legacy Program is an ideal vehicle to accomplish this goal, and we are honored to participate—to commit in word and deed—to the future of our congregation. As the years have passed and we have experienced the ultimate blessing of grandchildren, we are even more committed to providing a Jewish pathway for future generations.

As we share the lives of our incredible grandchildren, we plan to do as much as we can to enable them and their families to benefit from their Jewish legacy. The Life & Legacy Program is a meaningful step in that journey.

ASSURING JEWISH TOMORROWS

What aspects of Jewish life do you cherish most—learning, community, worship, caring for those in need, or social justice? Whatever you care about most, by leaving a legacy you ensure the things you value are sustained for future generations. Contact Drew Barkley at (412) 421-9715 ext. 111 or Drew@TempleSinaiPGH.org to learn more.

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Assuring JEWISH TOMORROWS
A program of the HAROLD GERSHOF FOUNDATION



CELEBRATING THE COMPLETION OF OUR NEW TORAH!

Sacred Words | Sacred Connections Siyyum, Sunday, Nov. 7, 10 AM

According to ReformJudaism.org, Siyyum means “completion” and usually refers to the completion of the study of a book of Torah, *Mishnah*, or other study text. In our case, Rabbi Jamie Gibson and Soferet Linda Coppleson will write the final word of the Torah as we share the joy of the completion of our new Torah honoring Rabbi Gibson’s 32 years of service to Temple Sinai.

The morning will feature a festive atmosphere with an educational session for our NextDOR students, music by special guests, and the writing of the final words of our new Torah.

Sacred Words | Sacred Connections Project will connect each of us with the past, present, and future of the Jewish people and Temple Sinai and ensure the continuation of our most sacred document.

We would love for everyone to join us for this special event. Register at www.TempleSinaiPGH.org/Siyyum.



TORAH WRITING, OCT. 17–18

Have you donated to our new Torah but have not yet had the opportunity to write in it with Soferet Linda Coppleson?

Linda will be at Temple Sinai on October 17–18 with the last page of the Torah. Contact Sunshine Figlio at Sunshine@TempleSinaiPGH.org or (412) 421-9715 ext. 121 to schedule an appointment.

Contact Sunshine at Sunshine@TempleSinaiPGH.org.



DAN NICHOLS CONCERT, NOV. 6

All are invited to a free in-person concert by Dan Nichols to celebrate Rabbi Gibson’s 32 Years at Temple Sinai!

Dan along with his band, *Eighteen*, have released 11 albums. Songs like *L’takein* (The Na Na Song), *B’tzelem Elohim*, *Kehillah Kedoshah*, *Chazak*, *Hoshia*, and *Sweet As Honey* have become Jewish communal anthems.

Register: www.TempleSinaiPGH.org/programs-events



NOTES FROM PRIDE TRIBE BY SUSAN BLACKMAN

WHAT ARE THOSE PRONOUNS WE SEE AFTER NAMES ON ZOOM SCREENS OR EMAIL SIGNATURES?

Let's take a look at pronouns with the help of Keshet, a national organization that works for the full equality of all LGBTQ+ Jews and our families in Jewish life.

- **Sexual Orientation** describes a pattern of emotional, romantic, and/or sexual attractions (e.g., lesbian, gay, bisexual, straight, asexual).
- **Sex** refers to a set of biological attributes (male/female).
- **Gender** refers to socially constructed roles, behaviors, expressions, and identities for girls, boys, men, and women.
- **Gender Identity** describes an individual's understanding of their own gender.
- **Transgender** is an umbrella term for anyone who identifies as a gender that is different from the sex they were assigned at birth.
- **Non-binary** is an umbrella term for those who identify as neither male nor female exclusively, or who falls outside the gender binary (male/female).

This is where pronouns become important.

My middle child identifies as non-binary and uses the pronouns they/them.

So what happens when I make a mistake? I apologize, correct myself, and keep talking. (It gets easier.)

At Temple Sinai, we can start using these pronouns now—Sunshine Figlio, our Program Coordinator, identifies as non-binary and uses they/them.

To support those who identify as non-binary and/or trans, we can put our own pronouns after our names on Zoom, in emails, or on name tags to show that we respect each other's identities and to create a welcoming space for people of all genders and gender identities.

If you have questions or are interested in joining the Pride Tribe, which is open to all LGBTQ+ congregants, contact Susan Blackman at susan.blackman@verizon.net.



Pride Tribe News is a new *Chailights* column written by Susan Blackman, Pride Tribe President, or another Pride Tribe member. You can find out more about the group at <https://www.temple sinaipgh.org/engage/pride-tribe>.

MEET SUNSHINE FIGLIO, PROGRAM COORDINATOR

If you could be any animal, which would you be? I like to think I'd be an alligator, because I think they're so beautiful and elegant. I grew up in Florida, and at night, you could look out over the swamp and see all the alligators' eyes flashing in the moonlight. They're really cool!

What's your favorite movie? *9 to 5*, starring Dolly Parton! It's the best movie of all time: it's funny, sweet, and clever. It's my first date movie—if the person I'm with doesn't like it, there's no second date.

Do you now or have you ever played sports? I was a synchronized swimmer for 8 years, and I really loved it because it didn't involve any running.

What is your favorite snack? I know it's weird, but I love celery sticks dipped in Diet Coke. Something about it is so delicious to me. My roommates also make fun of me for my other favorite snack, "Pepper Pile." "Pepper Pile" is just one entire pound of blistered shishito peppers, in a pile. It's so good.

What are your hobbies?

I love to hike, cook, read, take up embroidery projects but rarely finish them, plan extravagant dream vacations, draw silly comics for my friends, and go on long walks.

What's the last book you read?

Barkskins by Annie Proulx. It's an excellent and well-researched work of historical fiction that focuses on the lives of indigenous people in what would become Canada. It's a deeply sad and moving book that discusses the ravages of French and English colonialism in North America and the environmental destruction and oppression of indigenous peoples that came as a result. I'd recommend it!



FALK LIBRARY NEWS: COOKBOOKS

Temple Sinai has a rich association with food. First, there was the much missed Jewish Food Festival, our present Brotherhood Brunches, two published cookbooks—*Incredible Edibles* (1991) and more recently, *From Our Kitchen to Yours* (2016). Currently, WoTS cooks once a month through Zoom or with in-person kitchen culinary feats. But, let us not overlook the cookbook collection available for take-out (pun intended) from the Falk Library.

Leading those visiting food recipe history, we have the *Jewish American Cookbook* (1946) by Regina Frishwasser, Editor, Recipe Department of the *Jewish Daily Forward*. It has 1600 recipes “to bring our favorite foods in the easiest possible way to those that want them.” *The Holocaust Survivor Cookbook* (2007, 5th edition) was a project to benefit poor and hungry Israelis. It visits survivors’ stories and gives their recipes for traditional foods, sweets, and specialties from many countries. *Inside the Jewish Bakery*, by Stanley Ginsberg and Norman Berg, explores recipes and memories from the golden age of Jewish baking—when small bakeries were important as a community hub of Ashkenazi baking tradition. It contains great visuals for shaping a bagel, knotting a challah, and colored photos that make you remember savory and sweet treats from childhood.

Gil Marks presents a treasury of vegetarian dishes from Jewish communities throughout the world in *Olive Trees and Honey*. It discusses traditions as a mosaic of Jewish

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communities with seasonings and flavors important to Jewish cuisines and vegetarian foods for special occasions and Jewish holidays. It won the IACP cookbook award as well as the James Beard Foundation Book Award.

Traveling to Sephardic culture, we have *Jerusalem A Cookbook* by Yotam Ottolenghi and Sami Tamimi. This book has many wonderful photos of daily life and the particular dishes featured. It allows a view of Arabic cuisine and the counterpart Sephardic dishes from the Levant. Such dishes as kibbeh, shakshuka, butternut squash with tahini spread, fattoush, mixed grill, stuffed eggplant with lamb and pine nuts, hot yogurt and barley soup, give pause to discovering Jerusalem complex food culture.

Lastly, *Israeli Soul* by Michael Solomonov and Steven Cook takes you on a photographic tour of Israel, with detailed photos of recipes and moves around from savory to sweet to falafel, pita bread, sabich, shawarma, hummus and hummus toppings, malabi, labneh tart, ma’amoul cookies, and drinks and cold treats.

These are only some of the cookbooks on the shelves of the Falk Library. So, step up and place a take-out order!!

HARTMAN LEARNING

We apologize for inadvertently leaving this group out of the special Sinai 75 issue of *ChaiLights*.

Do you want to learn more about Israeli politics and culture, the relationship American Jews and Israelis share (or don’t)? Do you want to dig into a bit of biblical and rabbinic text? Please join the Hartman Learning Group on Sundays at 10:15 AM for 75 minutes (whenever NextDOR is in session) as we explore these issues, using the Shalom Hartman curriculum under the leadership of Rabbi Daniel Fellman.

Our small, but mighty, group has met since 2009, first through the Melton Course. After two years we chose to study Hartman materials with Rabbi Jamie Gibson. Many of the same members still participate; new members have joined each year broadening the discussion; and we eagerly invite others to come aboard. The conversations are enlightening, sometimes heated, but always informative. For information, contact Laurie Moser at lsmoser@gmail.com.

WOTS NEWS: MAZAL TOV!

The Women of Temple Sinai are pleased to announce that Carolyn Schwarz has been named as a Lifetime Trustee of WoTS.

Carolyn has been an active and involved member since its inception and was its Chair from 1999–2001. Carolyn has served on the board in various roles and is presently its Treasurer. She helped to initiate and organize the matzah brittle and High Holiday card programs and continues to be active with those programs. In addition, she organized the cooking classes, knits for the newborns and teaches people to knit and crochet during our crafting sessions, and volunteers for various other WoTS activities. Carolyn was previously named as a Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ) Woman of Valor.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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28 Erev Hanukkah (1 candle)	29 Hanukkah (2 candles)	30 Hanukkah (3 candles)				

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 Radov, Libbie Ryave, Albert
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 Yahrzeit of Alex M. Sherman
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 Yahrzeit of Richard Shribman
 David Shribman &
 Cynthia Skrzycki
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 Irwin & Gail Wedner
 Yahrzeit of Yetta Wedner
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 Yahrzeit of Abraham Moses
 Weinkle
 Joseph & Phyllis Weinkle
 Yahrzeit of Sophie M. Weinkle
 Joseph & Phyllis Weinkle
 Yahrzeit of Saul Weis
 Edris Weis
 Yahrzeit of Kyle Steiner
 Louis & Amy Weiss
 Yahrzeit of Louis Berger
 Sandra Yurko
 Yahrzeit of Rose Berger
 Sandra Yurko
 Yahrzeit of Judith Levy Straus
 Daniel Zove & Susan Straus

Rabbi Fellman Discretionary Fund

In Appreciation of Rabbi Fellman
 Todd & Elaine Miller & Family,
 Mike & Dawn Krouse & Family
 & Allan Krouse
 In Memory of Joseph Wildberg
 Alison Yazer

Rabbi Gibson Emeritus Discretionary Fund

In Appreciation of Rabbi Gibson
 Jill Fine
 In Honor of Gail and Norman
 Childs' Grandchild's Birth
 Sybil Lieberman & Don Levine
 In Memory of Joseph Wildberg
 Esther Nathanson
 In Memory of Adrienne Gibson
 Rebekah Siegel & Artie Pitt

Rabbi Gorban's Discretionary

In Appreciation of Rabbi Gorban
 Steven & Stacey Edelstein
 In Appreciation of Rabbi Gorban
 Alayne Harris
 In Appreciation of Rabbi Gorban
 Sherri Klein, Steven, Eric, Joshua Klein, Spouses & Children
 In Appreciation of Rabbi Gorban
 Beverly Lebovitz
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 Dr. Joel Rosenbloom
 In Appreciation for Wedding of
 Matt Unger & Liz Smith
 Jeffrey & Alisa Unger

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In Memory of Adeline Gruber
 Tabor
 Karyn Frank

Roth Fund for the Future

In Memory of Adrienne Gibson
 Barry & Mayda Roth

Security Fund

In Memory of Joseph Singer
 Wildberg
 Stephen & Adora Holstein

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In Appreciation of
 Susan Blackman
 Joel Kaufman
 Yahrzeit of Morton Schweitzer,
 Samuel Schweitzer, Harry
 Shapiro, & Elaine Friedlander
 Sally Schweitzer

Youth Activities Fund

Yahrzeit of Morton Love &
 Alene Love
 Ruth G Love

We apologize in advance for any errors.

HAVE GOOD NEWS?

Email the details to Tami Prine, Marketing & Communications Director, at
 Tami@TempleSinaiPGH.org to share with your Temple Sinai community.

CANTOR LAUREN BANDMAN

OCTOBER 22–23

Cantor Lauren Bandman will be our special musical guest for Shabbat services. She will also perform for us on the evening of October 23 at 7 PM.

Cantor Bandman is founder, owner, and instructor at The Studio: Private Music Lessons, LLC in the historic German Village neighborhood in Columbus, Ohio, where she maintains a thriving studio teaching voice, piano, guitar, audition preparation (specializing in Musical Theatre), and Jewish Studies—including cantillation. She is a consultant and worship leader in congregations throughout the U.S. She is a proud member of the American Conference of Cantors (ACC) where she served on the Executive Board as well as Chair of the ACC Ethics Committee from 2015–2018.



MUSICIAN DAN NICHOLS

NOVEMBER 5–6

Musician Dan Nichols will be our special musical guest for Shabbat services. He will also perform for us on the evening of November 6 at 7 PM.

Dan is a product of the URJ Jewish camping movement. He has toured Jewish summer camps across North America for the last 15 years. A classically trained singer, Dan received his Bachelor of Music degree in vocal performance at the University of North Carolina.

In 1995, realizing the potential of music to make powerful connections with Jewish youth, Dan established the Jewish rock band *Eighteen*. Since that time, Dan and *Eighteen* have released 13 albums.



Register for all services & both concerts: www.TempleSinaiPGH.org/programs-events

BROTHERHOOD “BRUNCH”

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 10 AM

PLEASE JOIN RABBI EMERITUS JAMIE GIBSON, IN-PERSON OR VIRTUALLY, FOR A BRUNCH-LESS LECTURE

Extremism in the Jewish Community Left & Right: Can the Center Hold?



As political divisions remain deep, the American Jewish Community is threatened as never before in the past 75 years by extreme views on the left and on the right. Rabbi Gibson will explore whether moderation is possible, and what or who can help to improve public opinion and mitigate threats of violence.

In-Person Cost: \$5 in advance; \$10 at the door

Register at www.TempleSinaiPGH.org/programs-events to attend in person. No registration required to watch from home. (The Zoom link will be post on our website closer to the date.)

NATHAN AND HILDA KATZEN CENTER FOR JEWISH LEARNING



304,805 pennies sounds like a lot... AND IT IS! But, our NextDOR students have almost reached their goal with the help of many generous donors!

We are only 9% away from reaching the goal of one penny for every letter in the Torah! So, look around your house and see if you have pennies to contribute. You can drop them off in our office at any time. Thank you!



OUR SACRED COMMUNITY

OF BLESSED MEMORY (JULY & AUGUST)

Those who live no more echo still within our thoughts and words, and what they did is part of what we have become.
~ Gates of Prayer

Lori Rosenberg, sister-in-law of Rebecca (Jake) Jacobson

Marilyn Brody, sister of Dorothy Greenberg

Beverly (Kordish) Lebovitz, mother of Jeff (Robin) Lebovitz and Paul Lebovitz (Mark Caldane), grandmother of Sean Lebovitz

Joseph Singer Wildberg, stepfather of Melissa (Rabbi Daniel) Fellman, grandfather of Zachary, Jacob, and Elizabeth Fellman

Phyllis Silver

Shirley Mandel, cousin of Alan (Vivian) Lawsky

Yasin Rasoli, brother-in-law of Noor (Bibi Rasoli) Haidary

Jude Vachon, friend of Leslie Fleisher

Paul Surloff, cousin of Rick (Carol) Rosenthal

Joseph Titlebaum, great uncle of Denise Handler

Sanford "Sandy" Lampl, father of David (Dorothy) Lampl, grandfather of Andrew (Melissa), Michael, and Matthew Lampl

Barbara Solerno, friend of Arlene Smith

MAZAL TOV! BAT MITZVAH



Saturday, November 27

Bat Mitzvah of Jessica Levin

Daughter of Marcie Mitre & Kenneth Levin

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Stephanie Weinstein &
Amit Patel

Bradley & Melissa Weinbaum

Mark, Jane, & Emily Mendlow

Suzanne & Tom Kingsley
(rejoined)

Ilene & John Steiner

Meagan Steiner

Richard & Emily Wolfe

Rob & Sarita Mallinger

Sharon Werner & Eric Olshan

Rebekah Malkin &
Jordon Yeager

Allan & Myrna Zelenitz
(rejoined)

Becca & Scott Tobe

Richard & Dana Green

Sarah Grumet &
Ian Paul White

SIMCHAH

Mazal Tov to Hannah Adelsheimer and John Miller, who were married September 18. Hannah is the daughter of Marc Adelsheimer and Jamie Stern.

Mazal Tov to Cindy Skrzycki and David Shribman on the marriage of their daughter, Rabbi Natalie Shribman, to Rabbi Benjamin Altshuler on Sunday, October 3.

Thank you to our High Holy Day greeters!

Thank you to Jan and Ed Korenman and Lynn Rubenson for volunteering to assist with the Roll of Remembrance mailing.

Mazal Tov to Alexandra "Sasha" Belcher and Drew Finley, who were married on Sunday, August 29.

THANK YOU to all our volunteers who worked on the High Holy Day Caring Bags! From planning to ordering to assembling and delivering, Mara Kaplan, Louise Malakoff, and their team of over 100 people worked hard and created a memorable gift in commemoration of Temple Sinai's 75th Anniversary!

Mazal Tov to Jan and Drew Barkley on the birth of their granddaughter, Mia Rose Faurer, on August 17. Parents are Justin and Sarah Faurer.

Mazal Tov to Anne Alter for being featured in the new ConnectAbility blog, Jewish Residential Services, on August 19 in the video, "Living with a mental health diagnosis in the Pittsburgh Jewish community."

Mazal Tov to Susan Blackman on the marriage of her son, David Blackman, to Kim Blackman on Saturday, August 7 in Brooklyn, New York.

Thank you to Susan Blackman, Saul Straussman, and Natalie Sumetsky for providing us with beautiful music at recent Shabbat Evening Services.

Sarah Grumet sends her **Thank You** to the Caring Connection Committee for the Caring Bag celebrating her son's birth in February.

Thank You to Brotherhood for building our sukkah and to Josh Lederer's mother, Ilene Lederer, for the beautiful *ushpizin* (Aramaic: "visitors") artwork.

WOTS COOKING CLASS

Monday, October 11, 7–8 PM

Join us on Zoom as three WoTS members show us new ways to braid a challah.

We will learn how to make a traditional six-strand twist and two more interesting and non-traditional designs.

Our instructors are very talented. Every week, Joanna Butler brings out her creativity with her weekly challah. (See photo.)

And, Deborah Freedman recently made a lulav and etrog for Sukkot.



Cost: Free!

Register for the Zoom link at:
www.TempleSinaiPGH.org/programs-events

GIVING TUESDAY

...IS NOW TZEDAKAH TUESDAY!

Last year our community joined together to raise more than \$40,000 for Temple Sinai's end-of-year giving campaign. **Help us reach our goal of \$50,000 this year!**

All gifts received between November 30 and December 31 count towards our goal and help Temple Sinai fulfill its mission of inspiration, innovation, and inclusion of all who seek a Jewish home.

INSPIRING worship services that reach in-person and virtual audiences

INNOVATIVE programming for children, adults, and families

INCLUSIVE events and community celebrations

Watch your mail in November for a special letter about this year's TZEDAKAH TUESDAY campaign!

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SAVE THESE DATES!

Friday, December 3
Hanukkah Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, December 4
Installation of Rabbi Daniel Fellman
Rabbi Fellman will be formally installed as our Senior Rabbi.

Friday–Saturday, December 10–11
Guest Cantor Rosalie Will

Rabbi Daniel J. Fellman
Senior Rabbi

Rabbi Keren Gorban, RJE
Associate Rabbi

Rabbi James A. Gibson, MAHL, DD
Emeritus Rabbi

Drew Barkley, FTA
Executive Director

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