“It’s our turn to build, renew and reinvent an inclusive Jewish community and sacred space for the 21st century. It is our turn to create a legacy and a sanctuary for our Jewish future.”
— Rabbi Noah Arnow

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- Recreating existing spaces for our religious school, Early Childhood Center, and community.
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See a list of people who have already pledged to our campaign (p.8)
Kol Rinah welcomes everyone. This means YOU! Kol Rinah is a dynamic and forward-looking congregation where all generations come together to experience Judaism in innovative ways. Our mission is to create a welcoming community that embraces Torah and meaningful worship, lifelong learning, music, Israel and Tikkun Olam, guided by the tenets of Conservative Judaism. We embrace a diversity of Jews and Jewish families, including Jews by choice and Jews by birth, Jews of all hues, Jewish singles, couples, and families, interfaith households, LGBTQ Jews, Jews of all abilities and disabilities, the Jew-curious, and more! If there is anything we can do to make you more welcome or to accommodate your needs, please let us know.

Jewish Food Pantry

March List

1. Canned Tuna Fish or Chicken
2. Kosher Foods
3. Hearty Soups
4. Any Type of Canned Vegetables
5. Beef Stew or Chili with Meat
6. Canned Fruits
7. Deodorant, Shampoo & Baby Diapers

Thank you. For more info, contact Louise Levine 636.227.1259.
A Spirituality of Fundraising

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And that’s exactly what so many of the meetings I’ve had with people have been about. I’ve had the opportunity to share my and our vision and excitement about this project and Kol Rinah’s future, and so many people have had the opportunity to join us in this mission.

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“A Spirituality of Fundraising” is a dramatic, ambitious and future-oriented vision of what we might create together, of what Jewish life and community could be.

Our vision includes intimate, communal prayer experiences in spaces conducive to introspection, inspiration and music—singing and hearing each other. Our vision includes useful and beautiful outdoor greenspaces that bring us in touch with nature and the urban community around us. Our vision includes a state-of-the-art early childhood center that is immersively Jewish for kids and families, helping to raise and engage a new Jewish generation of children and parents. And our vision includes a facility that is open to and used by the wider Jewish and secular communities for meetings, performances, gatherings and celebrations—a space that is the beating heart of community.

“Fundraising must always aim to create new, lasting relationships,” observes Nouwen. And through this campaign, I’ve had to develop new relationships with people I didn’t know, and deepen my relationship with many more people. For that reason alone, it’s been a blessing for me, to know more people, and to know more people more deeply.

If we haven’t had the opportunity to connect yet, or recently, let’s make some time to do so, whether in my office or for a cup of coffee. Give me a call (314.727.1747) or send me an e-mail (rabbiarow@kolrinahstl.org) and let’s get together and share together some time, some conversation, and some vision!

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Mazel Tov!

March Birthdays

March Anniversaries
Donald & Hedva Levy
Todd & Lauren Cohen
Franklin & Rachel Haspiel
Simon & Deborah Igielnik
David & Lisa Gellman
Jim Fehr & Anne Glowinski
Daniel Rosenthal & Laurie Furman
Roger & Marcia Brockman
Shmuel & Deborah Israeli
Fred & Linda Makler
Brett & Jada Fox
Michael & Noemi Neidoff
Richard & Linda Gavatin
Ken Weintraub & Sharon Katz-Weintraub
Roger & Teri Cohen
David & Alisa Cooperstein

April Birthdays

April Anniversaries
Donn & Beth Rubin
David & Stefanie Levenson
Edward & Trina Schukar
Denis & Ruth Altman
Martin & Phyllis Kalmes

Host a Seder! Join a Seder!
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Condolences to the Families Of
Joseph Balk
Louis Fine
Herbert Fredman
Betty L. Horton
Yona Paul
Earle N. Rothbell

*Birthdays and Anniversaries are listed chronologically

Our newsletter is designed by Tovah Enger with the invaluable help of her dedicated volunteer proofing team: Nancy Greene, Micki Kingsley, Cindy Payant & Sherrit Sadon. Thank you.

Thank You
Thank You all for your kind birthday wishes.
Frances Robbins
Thank you to all my friends at Kol Rinah who sent me birthday wishes.
Sandy Melnick
The following friends made a contribution to the Womens Social Group in honor of our birthdays Jan. 24 and Jan. 26th. We are so grateful and want to say "thank you" to all of them:

And for tributes made to the Kol Rinah Sisterhood in honor of our birthdays we wish to thank Linda Biggs & Micki Kingsley.
Also our appreciation and thanks go to the Keyser Family for their donations to the Faye Keyser Seudah Fund.

We are so thankful for all this support. Todah Rabah to all.
Marion & Jerry Cohen

Thanks to all the volunteers and participants who made the Trivia Night such a tremendous success. See you next year!
Burton Boxerman

Thank you so very much the generous and kind wishes in honor of my birthday! I am so grateful! to be part of this community! Thank you,
Tammy Arnow

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President’s Message
Randi Mozenter - Kol Rinah President

When I checked in with my son in LA to find out how a new venture is going, his response summarized so much for me. He said, actually texted, cause, you know, he’s 29, “It’s a journey”.

We are all certainly on a journey, no double entendre intended. Times of change and uncertainty are exhilarating and exciting and also frightening and stressful. It has been written many times that only in times of uncertainty do we have the opportunity to really grow and develop. The unknown challenges our survival centered lizard brains to protect ourselves. So change is difficult.

What will the new building look like? How much total money will we raise? Will it be enough? Will it feel like our home? Every day our synagogue leaders are facing decisions, questions, fears and a passion to do something new and amazing that will enrich Kol Rinah as well as our broader community, for years to come.

I am so excited and challenged and stretching every day. I have had the privilege to work side-by-side with internal as well as external religious leaders, financial experts, architects, design people, development and marketing people, leaders of every background, age and interest, and more. I know that we are on the right path. There have been frustrations and bumps in the road, aplenty. I wish I knew five years ago what I know now, but isn’t that often the case?

We have a remarkable opportunity to shape and contribute to something historic which will meet the needs of Kol Rinah and provide opportunities of Jewish life for many years to come. We will have the ability to lead, host and house all things Jewish, religious services of greater breadth and interest, educate the next generations of Jewishly committed, bring music, theater, art, lectures to our community and provide a hub for gathering in a new, Jewish way.

Contribute your resources, time, money and expertise. Experiences and opportunities of this magnitude do not come along that frequently. Join us in this ground breaking innovation; pun intended.

KR On The Move!

The construction documents for the Base Project (new Main Sanctuary with basement, renovation of the existing buildings, and shell space for the ECC) will be completed in March. At that time, based on the Board’s continuing commitment to its fiduciary responsibilities, the Facilities Committee has recommended that the Construction Documents be submitted to two independent contractors, SM Wilson and an additional St. Louis construction firm, for final bids on the project. Once those final bids are submitted, the Facilities Committee will review and vet the numbers, and make a recommendation to the Board about which contractor to engage for the project. The Board will then weigh the clearly defined cost of construction against the report from the Capital Campaign Committee about their achieved and projected fundraising efforts, and decide how to proceed.

The Facilities Committee continues to coordinate with the architects, and gather and provide information in the areas of security, synagogue heirlooms (paintings, stained glass & memorial plaques), interior furnishing, landscape, door hardware, roofing, etc. The project is proceeding at a rapid pace. All of these decisions being weighed are dependent on the availability of funds. We have already raised enough funds to build a project at our new home. The Facilities Committee is working hard to define specifically what items can and should be included in the project, based on the amount of funding projected.

The Facilities Committee is confident that the project we build will be a beautiful, inspiring and spiritual new home for Kol Rinah.

Click the On The Move tab of our website menu.
KASHRUT AT KOL RINAH

In the last issue of The Voice, we shared the guidelines for sponsoring/participating in a Shabbat Kiddush at Kol Rinah. Now, we would like to share how the synagogue maintains kashrut and what every member should know to help us maintain that level of kashrut.

Kol Rinah maintains a level of kashrut in our kitchens and in the food we serve at a level consistent with the range of practices within the Conservative Movement. Our goal is for a wide range of Jews to feel comfortable eating at Kol Rinah at all times.

To these ends, we maintain the following standards regarding hashgacha (kosher supervision):

All food brought into the kitchen or served at Kol Rinah must be inspected and approved by a rabbi or other individual currently approved as a mashgiach/mashgichah (kosher supervisor), ideally not the person who has purchased/brought the food. This includes snacks for meetings.

All cooking in the kitchen must be scheduled with Meir Zimand, Kol Rinah’s Director of Operations and lead mashgiach.

Those who cook weekly or very frequently in the kitchens require kosher supervision at the level of nichnas v’yotzei—entering and exiting.” This means they are subject to random, unscheduled visits and inspections from a mashgiach.

Those who do not cook regularly or frequently in the kitchen (including congregants and outside caterers) require hashgacha temidi—constant kosher supervision. A mashgiach should be in the kitchen most of the time supervising (and helping, as available). In this situation, the mashgiach should not be closely associated with the people cooking (not a member of the group cooking, or an immediate relative) to avoid conflicts of interest.

Those not cooking or directly helping are not permitted in the kitchen.

Individuals may bring food into the building for their own personal consumption. That food is not permitted in the kitchen or in any room at any time when food is being served.
Every day we are so thankful to work with fantastic volunteers who find great speakers, organize events to bring people together, and raise funds to support programming here at Kol Rinah. The Sisterhood, from it’s inception has succeeded because the founders had a vision and everybody continues to contribute. We are excited at the future opportunities the Sisterhood will have to continue it’s mission in a synagogue that will be beautiful, functional, welcoming and even more spiritual.

Thank you to Gary Kodner and Peggy Nehmen for sponsoring a Sisterhood Kiddush in January to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Gary’s bar mitzvah.

SISTERHOOD TRIBUTE
Ellen Harken is handling tributes since Dorrie Lerner retired. Please keep Ellen busy at eharken@Theharkens.com or 314.961.7232.

SISTERHOOD SHABBAT
Thank you to everyone who participated in Sisterhood Shabbat in January, including Julia Lieberman for birkat hashachar and psukei d’zimra; Rabbi Jessica Shafrin for shacharit, Tammy Arnow for the introduction to the parsha; Lauren Buchsbaum and Leora Spitzer for serving as Torah gabbaim; Wendy Love Anderson for the introduction to and chanting the haftarah; Edie Goldman for leading us in the Prayer for Our Country; Susan Brown for leading us in the Prayer for Israel; and Joyce Olshan for the end of Torah service and Musaf.

Thank you to everyone who attended this year’s Trivia event, helping to make it such a success. Special thanks to: Burton Boxerman for another year of extraordinary questions, Max and Susan Brown, co-chairs of the event, and Jerry Raskin for his exceptional work on table and round sponsors.

TORAH FUND LUNCHEON
Sunday March 11th at 1:00 pm. You should have received a letter about the Torah Fund which supports the JTS institutions around the world, including the Ziegler Institute of Jewish Studies. Co-chairs Irene Belsky and Marilyn Dien have a lovely lunch planned, and Rabbi Jessica Shafrin will talk to us about her life as a Rabbi and Rabbi’s wife. If you haven’t RSVP’ed, please call the office.

WELLNESS PROGRAM
Shabbat -March 24th. Connie Fisher will talk during services and after Kiddush on how to recognize and deal with stress in our everyday life. It should be very helpful to all of us.

REGIONAL WOMEN’S LEAGUE CONFERENCE
On April 30th, as part of the Conference, Cindy Ginsburg will be installed as region president at a dinner at B’nai Amoona.

BOARD MEETINGS
Our Sisterhood Board meetings are now being held at Crown Center.

Kol Rinah Sisterhood presents a Lunch & Learn:
“Address Stress” with Connie Fisher
Saturday, March 24 following Kiddush

This seminar will encourage individuals to recognize signs and symptoms of stress and provides practical stress management strategies for everyday use. (Everyone is invited)

For more information contact: Marjorie Feldman at maf55@email.com
Capital Campaign Pledges/Donations Received as of 2/2/18:

Louis and Susan Albert
Marc and Penny Alper
Kim Anderson & Marcia Sokol-Anderson
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David and Madeleine Arnow
Noah and Tammy Arnow
Jaron Asher
Ben and Joan Barzilai
Irene Belsky
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Barbara Bianco
Steven and Marsha Birenbaum
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Scott and Courtney Kaar
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Marian Katz
Micki Kingsley
Gary Kodner and Peggy Nehmen
Bob and Diane Kopitsky
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Donald and Betty Siegel
Sylvia Silver
James Singman
Sisterhood
Scott Slatuk and Tracy Nathan
Alan Snyder and Sharon Rosenberg
Bill Solomon
Gershon and Patsy Spector
Marc and Lyav Spector
Starlight Investment Acquisitions LLC
Sara Steiner
Marc and Elaine Tenzer
Steven and Lisa Tenzer
Upscale Resale Shop
Garry and Bonnie Vickar
Michael and Karen Wetmore
James White and Cindy Payant
Keith and Karen Zeff

Thank you!

Building & Growing Together
A Campaign for Kol Rinah

Want to make your contribution to our future?
Call 314.727.1747 or visit the donation page on our website http://www.kolrinahstl.org/tribute/
There are so many reasons I am immensely proud to be part of Kol Rinah. I won’t list them all here (I would go over my word limit!), but I will focus on one that I am realizing more and more as I work in this position: Kol Rinah’s families are energetic and dedicated believers in the future of our shul.

At the first meeting recently of the Leadership Team (a group of volunteers who come together to shape and give input to the priorities, programs, and direction of the younger families at Kol Rinah) the excitement was palpable in the room. We talked about what drew us to Kol Rinah initially, and for so many, the people and the welcoming community were powerful forces. It is inspiring and exciting to realize just how important Kol Rinah has been and continues to be for many of our families. A suggestion was made that at the groundbreaking for the new building, the kids could don hard hats and pose for a photo -- a concrete (ha!) reminder that this space will be this next generation’s new home.

In addition to the Leadership Team meeting, it has been a busy few months! We welcomed the 11 smallest new members of our community at New Baby Shabbat on January 13, with Tot Shabbat, a blessing, and a gift. And we had a wonderful Parents Night Out on January 27, with adults game night. The photo here shows the winners of our bocce ball tournament, Jeff Kraft and Zach Leeds, who won limited edition Kol Rinah kippot! Rabbi Jessica Shafrin continues her Spiritual Parenting Class, which takes place before kids’ Shabbat programming, offering a welcome opportunity to take a deep breath, connect with each other and explore how our prayers can inform our parenting (and vice versa).

I am thrilled, humbled, and proud to be among the families at Kol Rinah and a part of our broader, vibrant shul, at this exciting time. If you have any questions or know someone who is interested in joining our community, please be in touch at families@kolrinahstl.org.
Kol Rinah Early Childhood Center is the place to be! You might be curious to know why. Over the past few years, we have added new part time options to our program, allowing us to accommodate more families. While we continue to be committed to serving families in need of a year-round, full time program, our part-time options also make us a great choice for families who need fewer than 5 days a week or are only looking for a morning preschool program. Our center also includes excellent enrichment programs. Music education starts in the infant room at KRECC, with science, art, creative movement, yoga and a second music class all added to the curriculum as children move up to the toddler and preschool classes.

Our art and science program is outstanding! Our art teacher, Ms. Erin Richter and our science teacher, Ms. Linda Kram, work in collaboration with each other to expose children to topics related to Jewish holidays, Jewish values, and stories from the Torah. In the past year, we also opened an outdoor classroom, giving children even more outside space to explore. Children go outside to collect sticks, leaves, acorns and other bits of nature, draw in their art journals, explore the native plants and look for signs of changing seasons. This year, we also introduced a new music program, Growing through Music. Our Jewish music specialist, Ms. Karen Kern and our secular music specialist (and music therapist by training), Ms. Katie Wright, work together to introduce children to Jewish and secular music, concepts of rhythm and tone, and expose them to a wide variety of instruments.

Looking ahead to the summer, we’re excited to unveil our theme: The Wonderful World of Eric Carle! Throughout the summer, children will explore rainbows, cooking, outer space, the human body, friendship, make believe and more through classic Eric Carle stories such as Brown Bear, Brown Bear, From Head to Toe and The Mixed up Chameleon. Older children will also take a field trip to the St. Louis Science Center. You don’t have to be a year-round family to enroll in our summer camp! We offer weekly enrollment for children ages 2 to 5. Camp runs from June 4th – August 3rd. Please contact Liz Collins or Elyse Picker at ecddirector@kolrinahstl.org for additional information.
One of the greatest joys of my life has been the ability to be a part of Jewish summer camp communities. I grew going to Camp Interlaken JCC in Eagle River WI, spending a total of 13 summers back in Wisconsin’s beautiful North Woods.

We had a song there that we loved to sing after dinners called “B’nai He-Atid,” (Children of the Future), and we would scream out the words as we danced throughout the dining hall. The song explains that the future will be a bright one for everyone and in every place and time. Even when the Jewish People were wandering in the desert, anxious and afraid of the new world they were exploring, they had the a goal ahead of them that bound them together: to build up a new land and home and make it their own.

One part of the song goes:

במקום ההוא יהדים השתדלו
לעזר את העם ועם ישראל חי

And in that time
(wandering in the desert),
the Jews all tried to help
the people [around them],
And the Jewish People thrived.

For me, this is a crucial lesson: that we have the power to shape our future when we are willing to join together. Your Kol Rinah staff, Board Members, leaders, ECC and Religious School teachers and everyone who volunteers their time have been working tirelessly to make sure that the future of this community in the next year and far beyond will be as bright as possible.

And we need each of your voices, minds, hands and hearts to ensure that that future is just as wonderful as we all dreamed it would be.

Here in the Religious School, we have found new ways to make the learning more active and impactful. We have been training in the latest and best practices for experiential education, and learning more about the needs of our students and families. And as we learn and improve, we are finding new ways to honor the uniqueness and special gifts of every student who walks in our door, whether they are nine years old or ninety. We want to learn and grow together with you.

I know our future looks bright because of all of you, your compassion and your love for this community and for everyone in it. Thank you for all that you do!

Kol tuv,
Rabbi Scott Shafrin
What does the future look like for Kol Rinah’s youth? Based on what I have seen these past two years, it looks fantastic and full of possibilities!

Transition is hard. Change is hard. When I began as the USY/Kadima Director in August, 2016, we had four members of our youth group… total. A year and a half later, we have fifteen. I’ve asked our youth what draws them to Kol Rinah specifically. They tell me it’s a family, a sense of home and belonging.

In our youth group, I am both happy and stunned to report that there is absolutely no judgement. There is no petty fighting or gossiping, none of the things that I would have expected from a group of teenagers. Our group is unique in that we “embrace the weird.” If you are a teenager struggling to find where you fit in, you fit in here. Kol Rinah’s USY and Kadima welcome youth to celebrate what makes them special, what makes them unique, and yes, what makes them weird. Because let’s face it, we are all a little weird.

Through social action projects, our youth have the opportunity to reach out into the community, lend a hand and do some good. They grow and learn through the eyes of those less fortunate. They collaborate to raise money for those in need and strengthen the spirit and hope of those suffering.

As I write this, our youth are busy planning our annual Purim carnival. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and money raised ensures that we can keep providing our youth with opportunities, education, and experiences to help prepare them for adulthood. It is fitting that the theme of this year’s Purim Carnival is “Superheroes,” because that is what our youth are. They are our everyday superheroes, making this world better and constantly working to better themselves.

These children and teens are the next generation. They are the leaders of tomorrow. They are the future of Kol Rinah.

“Heroes are made by the paths they choose, not the powers they are graced with.” - Brodi Ashton, Author

The membership committee is here to serve you, the many members of Kol Rinah. We strive to offer programs that enhance your synagogue and Jewish life experience, bringing us together to meet and learn and celebrate throughout the year. We also welcome new members and do our best to integrate them into our spiritual community.

At this time, as we go from celebration (Purim) to celebration (Pesach), we also are working to strengthen our physical growth. The merger of our two legacy congregations has created many new opportunities for us to work together in showing respect for our histories while developing a new vibrant future. The door is always open to our leadership for any questions or comments you have about this important endeavor.

You will soon hear more about our upcoming spring membership programs in future articles. We thank you in advance for your continued support and look forward to seeing you at shul.
Our thanks to Rabbi Pamela Barmash for her two presentations on January 27, paying tribute to Neil Gillman, z’l.

The reception of Rabbi Barmash’s presentations was so overwhelmingly positive that we are continuing our Book Club series with Rabbi Gillman’s book *Sacred Fragments* in March.

We have read *Chapter 1 - Revelation: What really happened?* and will continue with *Chapter 2 - Religious Authority: Who commands?* Rabbi Barmash join us as her schedule allows.

**Understanding Gillman’s philosophy:**

Gillman intent is to write in a way that is understandable to everyone (not just other philosophers). In his writings he defines a group of terms among which are "Signs", "Symbols" and "Myths".

An example of a *Sign* is a red traffic light that indicates stop, even though there is no inherent connection between “red” and “stop”.

An example of a *Symbol* is our use of the expression Avinu Malkenu (‘our father, our king’). Although God is neither our father nor our king, we use the expression because the terms have a strong and positive meaning to us.

Gillman uses the term *Myth* as a story with no proof of its truth or untruth. The myth is the structure through which a community organizes and makes sense of its experience. He suggests that religious language has to be understood as mythic.

Using these terms and others, Gillman helps us look at Judaism in a “modern” way and still maintain our Jewish tradition. We will explain this in much more detail in our sessions.

We will also probe deeper into the direct correlation between some of Rabbi Gillman’s philosophy and modern neuroscience.

The following is a brief summary of *Chapter 1 - Revelation, What Really Happened*, in which Gillman:

1. Identifies the major Jewish revelations: Exodus, Sinai and the Torah.
2. Describes ways that our Modern scholars view revelations:
   a. the *Traditional approach* which demands that the Torah be accepted literally as G-d’s words, as proposed by Lamm.
   b. the *Liberal approach* which describes the Torah as a man-made document which filled the needs of Jews at the time it was written and has been and will be revised as man’s need require change.
   c. the *Middle ground* indicating that both G-d and man are involved in the creation of Torah; with Rosenzweig supporting a mutual relationship between G-d and man; and Heschel insisting that a mutual relationship is not possible because man could not know or understand G-d.
3. Gillman notes that the three subsidiaries of revelation - principle, fact and content - are inextricably intertwined.

As you can see, there is basis for deep discussion. If you plan to attend, please contact Ralph Graff.
March 2018 Calendar

1
Thu
Purim
6:30am Shacharit
9am Study Pesach with Rabbi
   Shulamit Cenker - Rm 106
11:30am ECC Family Purim Program
6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
7pm Personnel Committee Mtng - Rm 106

2
Fri
Shushan Purim
7am Shacharit
9:30am ECC Yoga - Rm 106
5:37pm Candle Lighting
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/
   Ma'ariv - Aud (lower)
Parashat Vayak'hel-Pekudei
9am Shabbat Service - Aud (lower)
9:30am Jewish Spiritual Parenting
   Discussion - Community Rm
10:30am MifgaShabbat - Daily Chapel
10:45am Rhythm 'n' Ruach - Rm 106
4:45pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/
   Ma'ariv - Aud (lower)
6:36pm Havdalah

3
Sat
Men's Club Shabbat
Parashat Ki Tissa
9am Shabbat Service - Aud (lower)
10am Shabbat Club - Lower Level
   Alcove
4:35pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/
   Ma'ariv
6:36pm Havdalah

4
Sun
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/
   Ma'ariv - Daily Chapel
9am Comm Mtng - ECC Office
9:30am KRRS
1pm Men's Club MOY & YOY - B'nai
   Amoona

5
Mon
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv

6
Tue
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
8am "When All You've Ever Wanted
   Isn't Enough" - Rm 106
7:30pm USY Lounge Night - Carriage House

7
Wed
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9:30am ECC Movement Class - Rm 106
4:15pm Hebrew School
7pm Financial & Estate Strategies
   - Rm 108

8
Thu
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Study Pesach with Rabbi
   Shulamit Cenker - Rm 106
5pm ECC Staff Mtng - Aud
7pm Coordinating Committee Mtng - Rm 106

9
Fri
7am Shacharit
9:30am ECC Yoga - Rm 106
5:44pm Candle Lighting
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/
   Ma'ariv - Aud (lower)
Parashat Vayak'hel-Pekudei
9am Shabbat Service - Aud (lower)
9:30am Jewish Spiritual Parenting
   Discussion - Community Rm
10:30am MifgaShabbat - Daily Chapel
10:45am Rhythm 'n' Ruach - Rm 106
4:45pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/
   Ma'ariv
6:43pm Havdalah

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Sat
Parashat Vayikra
ROSH CHODESH NISAN
Shabbat HaChodesh
9am Shabbat Service - Aud (lower)
12:30pm Rhythm and Jews
5:50pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/
   Ma'ariv
7:50pm Havdalah

11
Sun
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/
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9am Comm Mtng - ECC Office
9:30am KRRS
1pm Men's Club Board Mtng
1pm Torah Fund Lunch - Aud

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8am ECC Yoga - Rm 106
7pm Capital Campaign Mtng - Rm 106
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10am KR Women's Social Group
   Mtng - Daily Chapel
4:15pm Hebrew School

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9am Study Pesach with Rabbi
   Shulamit Cenker - Rm 106
7pm Kol Rinah Board Mtng

16
Fri
7am Shacharit
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   Ma'ariv - Aud (lower)
6:51pm Candle Lighting

17
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Parashat Vayikra
ROSH CHODESH NISAN
Shabbat HaChodesh
9am Shabbat Service - Aud (lower)
12:30pm Rhythm and Jews
5:50pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/
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18
Sun
NO KRRS (Spring/Pesach Break)
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/
   Ma'ariv - Daily Chapel
9am Comm Mtng - ECC Office

19
Mon
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv

20
Tue
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
8am "When All You've Ever Wanted
   Isn't Enough" - Rm 106
6:30pm Finance Mtng - Rm
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   Mtng - Aud
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