

NOTES FROM THE CANTOR

As we emerge from our High Holy Day season of reflection, now is the time to turn our introspection into action. Do you want to get more involved here at Temple Sinai? Want to explore new modes of self-expression? Want to make a difference and brighten the lives of those around you? Temple Sinai is here to help you grow, offering many learning, praying and singing opportunities throughout the year. I want to take a few moments now and remind you of some of the adult programming I help to lead here at temple, plus a couple of new ones you'll be hearing more about as the year unfolds.

Are you curious about the Torah and want to learn more about our ancient texts? Then join us for beginner's bible study on Friday afternoons at 12:00pm. Have you heard about Zentangle, but never given it a try? Contact me for our upcoming Zentangle class schedule. Do you enjoy reading Hebrew and are you looking for opportunities to read? I'd love to work with you to learn how to chant from the Torah at one of our Shabbat evening services. If there's enough interest, I'd love to get a few of us together to learn trope – the cantillation markings for chanting Torah. And, if you love strolling in the great outdoors, our Friday afternoon walking group is hoping to continue through the fall, until the weather turns cold.

Kolot Sinai, our volunteer choir, is a great way to get involved if you love to sing. We help lead three services throughout the year and rehearse four or five times leading up to each service. We have a great director and have a wonderful time singing together. I'm also going to be inviting Kolot Sinai to join me at different services throughout the year to serve as an "embedded" choir – musical ringers singing in harmony from the congregation. Similarly, our annual Mitzvah Day singers are planning to get together a few times this year and sing some American favorites and Broadway show tunes at assisted living facilities throughout the area. I'd love to have you join me for any and all of these events.

B'Shira, in song,
Cantor Micah Morgovsky