Beshallah
Torah Reading Begins: Exodus 13:17-22 (P. 399)
Mafir: Exodus 15:22-26 (P. 412)
Haftarah: Judges 4:4-5:31 (P. 423)

Sermon Title: When a Tree Falls

ZIEGLER SANCTUARY:
FEIT FAMILY SHABBAT LIVE
Bar Mitzvah of
TYLER ASHERIAN
son of Tanaz & Farshad
9:30 a.m.
Kiddush in Hall of Builders

STARS SHABBAT
Gold Hall – 10:00 a.m.
Kiddush in 4th Floor Rickles Gym

TORAH IN THE ROUND
Bar Mitzvah of
LOGAN MIRZADEH
son of Lobat & Moris
9:30 a.m.
Kiddush in Lower Traub

FAMILY MINYAN
Upper Traub – 9:30 a.m.
Kiddush in Upper Traub

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Lower Traub – 10:00 a.m.
Kiddush in Lower Traub

STARS SHABBAT
Gold Hall – 10:00 a.m.
Kiddush in 4th Floor Rickles Gym

TORAH @ THE TABLE
3rd Floor Blumenthal Library 9:45-10:45 a.m.

TO HONOR THE SANCTITY OF SHABBAT
- Any person coming up to the bimah must have their head & shoulders covered and dresses should be of modest length.
- We do not permit smoking, photography, writing, use of cell phones or other electronic equipment in the synagogue on Shabbat.
- Applause is not customary at any time.

Many members of our congregation have had allergic reactions to perfume or colognes. Please keep this in mind when attending services. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

FOR SAFETY & SECURITY
All children not attending services with their parents must be in one of the supervised children’s programs. Temple security will not allow children to congregate in the hallways and will escort them to an appropriate service or program.

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TO SOURCE FOR STUDY
People who work for a synagogue, either as professionals or as volunteers, know the joys and frustrations of seeking to advance the cause of God, Torah, and Israel in an institution. It should be easier: Are we not all devoted to the same end? What have board meetings to do with Sinai?
The French Catholic activist Charles Peguy says that everything begins in mysticism and ends in politics. Accomplishment entails the skills of organization, consensus building, and negotiation. It may be true that, as the old saying has it, a camel is a horse designed by committee; but the world needs camels, too.

Here is some advice from Rabbi Israel Salanter, founder of the Musar movement, which held that study of the Talmud must be accompanied by ethical study and ethical conduct. Rabbi Salanter said that while engaging in community work, one must make three resolutions: Never lose one’s temper, never get tired, and never want to win.

Equanimity is a sign of respect. Energy is proof that the work is invigorating, because it is in service of God. Not wanting to win is subordinating one’s ego to one’s purpose. Rabbi Salanter reminds us that to work with others in service to something greater than oneself is not a necessary drudgery but a sacred task.

-Floating Takes Faith: Ancient Wisdom For A Modern World
-Rabbi David Wolpe
Coffee & Commentary
Sunday, February 9, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.
A discussion of Bible topics. Dr. Karz will begin at Ezra 5:1.

Hebrew 101
Saturday, February 15, 2020 at 12:15 p.m.
Led by Sinai Temple Shoshin Shili Lam, adults and teens are invited to join us directly following Shabbat services for an hour-long intro to Hebrew class over lunch, provided by the Israel Center. The class will be capped at 15 participants, so be sure to register at member.sinaitemple.org/events

YedidYah Musical Shabbat Experience
Friday, February 21, 2020 at 5:45 p.m.
Join us for our musical Shabbat experience, featuring Israeli musical group YedidYah: Husband and wife team Aaron and Yakira and their three daughters. Service and Musical Journey are free to attend- no RSVP necessary. RSVP required for dinner. This program is part of a Musical Shabbat Experience series, generously sponsored by Judy Fisher. RSVP at member.sinaitemple.org/events

SLICE Shabbat
Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.
2nd-6th graders and their families are invited to join us for this interactive, fun monthly service. SLICE Shabbat is led by teens in our Student Leadership Congregational Engagement program. Following the service, join us for ice cream cake and a sports activity.

Israel: Then & Now
Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.
Presented by Sinai Temple's Israel Center and Sinai Akiba Academy, explore the historical context and contemporary implications of Israel's most pressing issues. This session, Historical and Contemporary Anti-Semitism in the US Congress, will be led by Rick Richman, lawyer and author of Racing Against History: The 1940 Campaign for a Jewish Army to Fight Hitler. Free to attend. RSVP at member.sinaitemple.org/events

A Spoonful of Hesed
Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
Join Social Action Committee, Sisterhood, Ahid and Rabbi Guzik as we make meals for those in need. Adults and kids 10+ are welcome to join. RSVP to nguzik@sinaitemple.org or (310) 481-3234.

Hamantaschen Baking Class
Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
Learn how to bake hamantaschen, just in time for Purim! This class is exclusively for Sinai Temple members and will be held at a private home. Space is limited. Register to rpolansky@sinaitemple.org

Planet Purim
Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 3:30 p.m.
Join us for our annual Purim carnival. Register at member.sinaitemple.org/planetpurim

JDC Ambassadors Mission to the Baltic Triangle with Rabbi Wolfe
June 7, 2020
Join JDC for a trip through the vibrant, Jewish communities of the Baltic Triangle, led by Rabbi Wolfe. Traveling with JDC is a rare window into the corners of the Jewish community that often go unseen. This trip is offered exclusively to individuals who make a minimum gift to JDC of $5,000. For more information on the reception, please contact rlevy@sinaitemple.org. To learn more and register for the trip, visit jdc.org/baltictriangle

Making Israel's Desert Bloom
Celebrate Tu Bishvat! Help Sinai Temple and JNF plant a forest of trees in the Negev. How to order:
2. Call 1-800-542-8733 & use promo code: 180022.
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Vote MERCAZ!
Now - March 11
Despite the significant growth of the Conservative/ Masorti Movement in Israel, we continue to fight for our vision of Israel as a homeland for all Jews. By voting for MERCAZ | Slate #6 (which Rabbi Guzik is honored to be part of) in the World Zionist Congress election, you have a chance to directly impact the future of Israel. Your vote will help elect MERCAZ | Slate #6 delegates to the World Zionist Congress, which controls over $1 billion in spending annually. Vote today at MERCAZ2020.org. For more information, please contact Don Salem at 1dasdds@gmail.com.

Sisterhood Torah Fund Lunch
Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 11:30 a.m.
Join us for Sisterhood's Annual Torah Fund Luncheon honoring this year's HaYay Olam Award Recipient, Leslie Wachtel. Donate to Torah Fund and register for lunch at member.sinaitemple.org/torahfund

Sisterhood Game Night
Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
Join Sisterhood for our monthly Sisterhood game night (including Mah Jongg), exclusively for Sisterhood members. All levels welcomed for Mah Jongg, including beginners. Interested in playing other games? Bring them! This month will feature Israeli refreshments. Sisterhood game night is now presented in coordination with Men's Club monthly poker night, occurring at the same time. Register at member.sinaitemple.org/events

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MEN'S CLUB

What To Do About the State of Judaism in the Jewish State?
Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
Join Men's Club for an evening with Rabbi David Golinkin about how Judaism has developed and transformed in Israel. This program is free and open to the community. $10 at the door (free for Men's Club members) for dinner following the program. Register at member.sinaitemple.org/events

Men's Club Burning Bush Gala
Sunday, March 15, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.
Join Men's Club as they honor Aryeh Cohen and Farideh & Farshad Rafii. Event proceeds will benefit Sinai Temple and Friends of Ethiopian Jews – Tech Triangle with Rabbi David Golinkin about how Judaism has developed and transformed in Israel. This program is free and open to the community. $10 at the door (free for Men's Club members) for dinner following the program. Register at member.sinaitemple.org/events

SAVE THE DATE

Sinaï Temple Gala
Sunday, June 14, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.
Honoring Howard Leener, Executive Director & COO, for his 21 years of service. More information and registration coming soon.

PLEASE JOIN US NEXT SATURDAY FOR:

The Bar Mitzvah of Evan Mashadian
SINAI TEMPLE GARDEN
The Bar Mitzvah of Jordan Parnaz
son of Vogel & Payam

B’NAI MITZVAH

TYLER ASHERIAN
I attend Sinai Akiba Academy. I was born on January 21, 2007. My favorite subject is math. My hobbies include breeding and rescuing animals, and marketing different products. I am thankful for my family for supporting me. I am proud of the Jewish education I've received at Sinai Temple and would like to thank Rabbi Wolpe, Cantor Feldman, Rabbi Feig, Cantorial Intern David Childs and Cantor Miller. I look forward to becoming a Bar Mitzvah and the responsibilities that come with it as a "son of the commandment." I promise to uphold Jewish values, customs, and traditions, and fully immerse myself in G-d and the Jewish religion.

CHLOE MOROVA
I am a 7th grader at Sinai Akiba Academy. I am 13 years old and love playing with my little brother. I love talking to friends, making jokes and creating funny videos. My favorite subject is Tanach. At Sinai Akiba, I learned the importance of the existence of Israel. School also reinforces all the Jewish values I get at home. I am proud to be a Sinai Akiba student. I would like to thank Mr. Cohen, Cantor Miller and Cantor Feldman for their help with my Bat Mitzvah. I also want to thank my family for all their love and support. I am so grateful to be part of this community.

LOGAN MIRZADEH
I am in 7th grade at Paul Revere Middle School. My favorite subjects are math and English. My favorite hobbies are spending time with family and friends, playing basketball and watching sports. For my Bar Mitzvah project, I worked with special needs children, playing sports and being a friend. My family and I also prepared and delivered care packages to the homeles. I chose these projects because I wanted to do something to give back. I want to thank Rabbi Guzik, Rabbi Sherman and Cantorial Intern David Childs for their guidance. I now understand that G-d makes everything happen for a reason and that you have to be positive and learn from every experience.

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ANNUAL SINAI TEMPLE SISTERHOOD
TORAH FUND LUNCHEON
Tuesday, February 18, 2020
11:30 am in Barad Hall

Honoring Leslie Wachtel
2019-2020 Ha’Yay Olam Award Recipient

Musical Selections by
The Milken Honeys
Barbershop Group and
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Advance reservations required by Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Name: ___________________________ Phone Number: ___________________________
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Deadline: March 1, 2020. For more information, please contact burningbush@sinaitemple.org/310.738.1323
Israel: Then and Now
Historical & Contemporary Conversations

Presented by Sinai Temple’s Israel Center and Sinai Akiba Academy, join us for a new program for all ages, exploring the historical context and contemporary implications around Israel’s most pressing issues, and how to speak with our children and grandchildren about them.

8:00-9:00am
Light Breakfast Provided
FREE FOR ALL

Tuesday, September 10
Israel as a Democracy
Understanding Key Issues in Israel’s Upcoming Elections
Speaker: Dr. Tomer Persico
Research Fellow and Scholar-in-Residence of the Shalom Hartman Institute and Koret Visiting Assistant Professor of Jewish and Israel Studies at U.C. Berkeley

Tuesday, November 12
Historical and Contemporary Jerusalem
United, Divided and What’s to Come
Speaker: Rabbi Nolan Lebovitz
Rabbi of Adat Shalom and producer of Roadmap Jerusalem

Tuesday, December 17
How to Have a Productive Dialogue About Israel in the Age of Social Media
Speaker: Yoni Saadil
AIPAC Southern/Pacific Regional Synagogue Initiative Director, Southern Pacific Region

Tuesday, January 14
What is the BDS Movement and How Do We Address this Issue with our Children?
Speakers: Dr. Saba Soomekh
Assistant Director of Interreligious and Incommunitarian Affairs at the American Jewish Committee
Zev M. Hurwitz
Director of Campus Affairs at the American Jewish Committee

Tuesday, February 25
History of Anti-Semitism in U.S. Congress
Speaker: Rick Richman
Lawyer and author, of Raging Against History: The 1940 Campaign for a Jewish Army to Fight Hitler

Tuesday, March 24
Arab Leaders of Yesterday and Today
Who to Learn From and Who to Watch
Speaker: Dr. Saba Soomekh
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Questions? Contact nguzik@sinaitemple.org

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