

SOURCES FOR STUDY



Loving kindness (chesed) is a central characteristic of the Jewish tradition. First and foremost, this mitzvah is owed and given to the living. The inherent dignity of every human being is grounded in the fact that he/ she is created in the image of God. As the Talmud instructs us (Sanhedrin 37A): The image of God is born with three fundamental dignities: 1) infinite value - this is why if you save one life, it is equivalent to saving a whole world; 2) equality - every human is a legitimate image of the divine but no one type is a preferred representation. The claim that there is a superior image of God is a form of idolatry. The denial of the equal dignity of another human being constitutes the denial of their being an image of God.

The final fundamental dignity is: 3) uniqueness - each human is one of a kind; there will never be another person just like this one. The denial of another's uniqueness - by stereotyping and anonymous degradation - constitutes disrespect and denial of the Other as a precious image of God.

-Rabbi Irving Greenberg

-Rabbi David Wolpe

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.

SINAI TEMPLE

Rabbi David Wolpe, *Max Webb Senior Rabbi*

Rabbi Nicole Guzik

Rabbi Erez Sherman

Rabbi Sam Rotenberg

Rabbi Emeritus Zvi Dershowitz

Cantor Marcus Feldman

Cantor Emeritus Joseph Gole

Aryell Cohen, *Organist & Choir Director*

Rabbi Adam Rosenthal, *Ritual Director*

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Danielle Kassin, *Religious School Director*

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Rachel-Ann Levy, *Director of Communications & Development*

Isaac Schmidt, Michael Nazarian & Ebbby Tabariai, *Gabbaim*

Barton H. Kogan & Paul Herman, *Co-Chairs, Board of Governors*

Farshad Rafii, *Men's Club President*

Lina Pournazarian & Leslie Wachtel, *Sisterhood Co-Presidents*



ALSO JOIN US FOR...

SHABBAT MORNINGS

Every Shabbat - 9:00 a.m.

JAMMIES N' JEANS

March 6- 5:45 p.m.

FEIT FAMILY SHABBAT LIVE

March 14- 9:30 a.m.

FAMILY MINYAN

March 14- 9:30 a.m.

STARS SHABBAT

March 14- 10:00 a.m.

FAMILY MINYAN

March 28- 9:30 a.m.

SLICE SHABBAT

March 28- 10:00 a.m.

MINCHA/SHABBAT SERVICE

Every Friday Night - 5:45 p.m.

DAILY MINYAN

Mornings Sundays & National Holidays: 8:30 a.m.

Monday-Friday:
7:30 a.m.

Afternoons Sunday-Friday -
5:45 p.m.
Saturdays- 4:15 p.m.



SINAI TEMPLE

27 SHEVAT, 5780 | FEBRUARY 22, 2020



Mishpatim

Torah Reading Begins: *Exodus* 21:1-6 (P. 456)

Maftir: *Exodus* 30:11-16 (P. 523)

Haftarah: *Kings* 12:1-17 (P. 1276)

Sermon Title: *The Making of the Jewish Century*

ZIEGLER SANCTUARY

Bat Mitzvah of

REMI ABRISHAMI

daughter of Helsa & Rafi

Bar Mitzvah of

JOSHUA KORORI

son of Sharareh & Ramin

9:30 a.m.

Kiddush in Ziegler Hall

FAMILY MINYAN

Kohn Chapel- 9:30 a.m.

Kiddush in Upper Traub

SLICE SHABBAT

4th Floor Rickles Gym- 10:00 a.m.

SHABBAT YELADIM

Ground Floor Kindergarten Yard - 10:30 a.m.

TORAH @ THE TABLE

3rd Floor Blumenthal Library 9:45-10:45 a.m.



TEMPLE EVENTS

Coffee & Commentary

Sunday, February 22, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

A discussion of Bible topics, Judge Yaffe will begin at Ezra 10:1.

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, Atid 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.

Importance of Genetic Testing

Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Learn about the importance of genetic testing for the Jewish community. Shari Ungerleider, Program Coordinator for Jewish Genetic Disease Consortium and Karen Grinzaid, Director of JScreen, will provide resources for Jewish community members of all ages. Register online at member.sinaitemple.org/events

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 rpolsky@sinaitemple.org or call (310) 481-3228.

Planet Purim

Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 3:30 p.m.

Join us for games, rides, arts and crafts, social action, live entertainment and more. Children's all-inclusive game wristbands are available for presale at a reduced rate through Sunday, March 1. Register at member.sinaitemple.org/planetpurim

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gideon Raff in Conversation with Rabbi David Wolpe

Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion about life, career, and Jewish identity with acclaimed writer and director, Gideon Raff. Register at member.sinaitemple.org/events

Interest Meeting: 2021 Israel Trip with Rabbis Guzik & Sherman

Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Learn about Sinai Temple's sports-themed Israel trip, led by Rabbis Nicole Guzik and Erez Sherman in July 2021. There are two trip options: July 19-29 and July 21-25, and multiple travel "tracks" available. Experience highlights include but are not limited to basketball camp led by professional players, option for B'nai Mitzvah celebrations at the Western Wall, a trip to the Maccabiah Games, visits to historic sites, watersport adventures and more. This trip is open to individuals and families of all ages, but is ideal for B'nai Mitzvah aged children (approximately grades 5-7). Interested in learning more? Join us for this informative session. Questions? Contact esherman@sinaitemple.org.

Bridging Differences with Joel Stein and Rabbi David Wolpe

Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

A conversation between Rabbi David Wolpe and journalist Joel Stein about how to respectfully engage as a community, while retaining one's own identity. Register at member.sinaitemple.org/events

Making Israel's Desert Bloom

Help Sinai Temple and JNF plant a forest of trees in the Negev! How to order:

1. Visit www.jnf.org/trees & use promo code: 180022.
2. Call 1-800-542-8733 & use promo code: 180022.
3. Write a check to JNF & mail it to Sinai Temple.

For more information, contact Nora Rakow at Norarakow@sbcglobal.net.

Vote MERCAZI!

Now - March 11

Despite the 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 MERCAZI | 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. Vote today at MERCAZI2020.org. For more information, please contact Don Salem at 1dasdds@gmail.com.

SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood Game Night

Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

All levels welcomed for Mah Jongg. Interested in playing other games? Bring them! This month will feature Israeli refreshments. Game night is presented in coordination with Men's Club poker night, occurring at the same time. Game night is free for Sisterhood members and \$10 for non-members. Register at member.sinaitemple.org/events

Sisterhood Shabbaton

March 20-21, 2020

Shabbat morning services led by Rabbi Guzik and the women of Sisterhood, featuring Chloe Pourmorady. Shabbat luncheon to follow, featuring Cantor Jackie Rafii, a dombak player and Aryell Cohen. Details coming soon.

MEN'S CLUB

What To Do About the State of Judaism in the Jewish State?

Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

An evening with Rabbi David Golinkin about how Judaism has transformed in Israel. 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.

Honoring Aryell Cohen and Farideh & Farshad Rafii with event proceeds benefitting Sinai Temple and Friends of Ethiopian Jews - Tech Career Project. Special appearance by Titi Aynaw, Ethiopian-born Miss Israel 2013 and former IDF officer and commander. Reduced pricing for those 21-39. To claim this offer, contact faranakr1026@gmail.com. Register at member.sinaitemple.org/burningbush

SAVE THE DATE

Sinai Temple Gala

Sunday, June 14, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Honoring Howard Lesner, Executive Director & COO, for his 21 years of service. Interested in joining the Honorary Dinner Committee? Contact rlivy@sinaitemple.org or call (310) 481-3256 by Friday, March 6.

B'NAI MITZVAH



REMI ABRISHAMI

My name is Remi Ella Abrishami. I am in 7th grade at Beverly Vista Middle School. My hobbies include volleyball and playing with my dog Teddy. For my mitzvah project I volunteered at Vanderpump Dogs, an adoption center. I chose to volunteer there because I want to help all dogs get adopted. I am very proud of my Jewish education that I received at Sinai Temple for preschool and Religious School. I would like to thank Rabbi Wolpe, Mr. Cohen, Cantor Miller, Danielle Kassir and Cantor Feldman for helping me during my Bat Mitzvah journey. I am grateful to have my family and friends attending my Bat Mitzvah and making this day a very special day in my life.

JOSHUA KORORI

My name is Joshua Korori and I go to Beverly Vista Middle school. I was born on January 2, 2007. I am thankful for all my friends and family. I am proud of all the Jewish Education that I received at Sinai Temple. I would like to thank Mr. Cohen for helping me throughout my Bar Mitzvah Journey.

PLEASE JOIN US NEXT SATURDAY FOR:

The Bar Mitzvah of Matthew Shams

daughter of Marjan & Bijan

Visit the new cybermitzvah.org to explore B'nai Mitzvah resources, Shabbat/Holiday blessings and prayers, and more.

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Sinai Temple's Social Action Committee, Sisterhood & Rabbi Guzik Present



A Spoonful of Hessed: Making Meals for Those in Need

Do a mitzvah. Join us as we make meals for community members in need of a little healing. Adults and kids ages 10+ are welcome to join.

- Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Can't join in the cooking but willing to drop off soup to someone's home? Contact Rabbi Guzik and she will give you a call when someone is in need.

RSVP is appreciated to ensure we have enough ingredients and supplies. Please confirm your attendance by calling (310) 481-3234 or e-mailing nguzik@sinaitemple.org.



SINAI TEMPLE MEN'S CLUB

BURNING BUSH GALA

OPERATION MOSES 2020: NO JEW LEFT BEHIND

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020

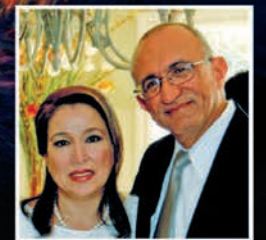
5:30 PM RECEPTION • 6:30 PM DINNER • 7:30 PM PROGRAM

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MEMBER.SINAITEMPLE.ORG/BURNINGBUSH

Deadline: March 1, 2020. For more information, please contact burningbush@sinaitemple.org/310.738.3828



**GREATER
COMMUNITY
WELCOME!**

**SINAI TEMPLE'S
PLANET PURIM**
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2020
3:30-7:00PM CARNIVAL
Adults and children,
wear your costumes!

JOIN US FOR

Puppy Party • Go Karts • Mega Slides
DJ/Live Entertainment • Karaoke
Carnival Games • Xbox Sports Games
Prize Booth • Social Action Projects
Basketball Contests • Arts & Crafts

PRICING

All Inclusive Game Wristband*
Purchased by March 1: \$39
Day of Carnival: \$50
Children 0-12 months & adults are FREE!
Kosher BBQ Meal: \$15
*Meals sold separately. Snacks available at additional cost.

Learn more and buy tickets at
member.sinaitemple.org/planetpurim
Questions: (310) 481-3228 or purim@sinaitemple.org


SINAI TEMPLE

Gideon Raff in Conversation with Rabbi David Wolpe




*A discussion about life, career, and Jewish identity
with acclaimed writer and director, Gideon Raff*

**Thursday, March 12
7:30 p.m.
Sinai Temple**

**Sinai Temple Members: Free
Non-Members: \$25**

Register at member.sinaitemple.org/events
Advanced registration required for parking garage access

Questions? Contact Rachel Polansky at 310-481-3228 or
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