

Welcome to Shabbat Services at Sinai Temple! We're so glad to have you join our special community. Check the list of exciting events coming up soon!

# This week's Torah portion is Noach

## A Message from Mehrzad Roshan, Temple President:

Every Shabbat, I like to highlight one of Sinai Temple's affiliates. This week, I would like to acknowledge our Mount Sinai Memorial Parks and Mortuaries, which are an essential part of Sinai Temple and significantly contribute to the larger Jewish Community. I am grateful to Eric Diamond, Chairman of the Mount Sinai Memorial Park, and Randy Schwab, General Manager, for their dedication and leadership.

For 60 years, Sinai Temple has owned and operated Mount Sinai Memorial Parks and Mortuaries to serve the entire Southern California Jewish Community. In addition, we operate two memorial parks, one in Hollywood Hills and one in Simi Valley. At Mount Sinai, we serve all elements of the Jewish Community with compassion and dignity. Each year, Mount Sinai provides grants to Jewish Community organizations, schools, senior centers, and synagogues in Southern California and Israel. Grants last year totaled nearly \$400,000.

Additionally, Mount Sinai provides significant financial support to Sinai Temple and Sinai Akiba Academy. Most importantly, every day, we care for members of the community who can no longer say, "thank you." This is both our most compelling obligation and our highest honor.

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Special thanks to all the professional staff and lay leaders who make the Shabbat services exceptional:

Executive director- Jessica Green, Ritual director-Jay Harwitt, Musical Director-Benjamin Fingerhut, Director of Media and Communication- Roy Regev, Audio Visual Tech-Christopher Princivali, Sharona Rachmani, Mansour Eslamboli, Michael Silberstein, Ebby Tabariai, Michael Nazarian, David Matloob, Faith Gershbock, Jacob Gershbock.

#### Shabbat Lite Lunch with Avi Mayer

#### Today! Saturday, November 2, 11:30 a.m. (immediately following services) In Ziegler Hall. Lunch Included. Tickets: \$18/Adults and \$10/Kids

Celebrate Shabbat in community and joy as we gather for a delightful lunch featuring guest speaker Avi Mayer. Known for his insightful perspectives and engaging storytelling, Avi Mayer will share reflections on Jewish identity and connection in today's world.

#### Parasha Class with Sinai Temple Clergy - Next week with Rabbi Guzik Tuesday, November 5, 8:30-9:30 a.m., on Zoom

During this one hour session, our Rabbis and Cantor will dive deeply into the Parsha, offering a contemporary lesson that one can apply in their everyday life.

#### It Takes Two to Torah - Book Talk

# An Orthodox Rabbi and a Reform Journalist Discuss and Debate Their Way through the Five Books of Moses

#### Wednesday, November 6, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Kohn Chapel at Sinai Temple

Join us at Sinai Temple for an engaging discussion about the fascinating book 'It Takes Two to Torah' with authors Abigail Pogrebin and Rabbi Dov Lizner. Abigail, author of "My Jewish Year," and Dov, Rabbinic Head and President of YCT, an esteemed yeshiva in the Bronx, were recently interviewed on GMA. Their unlikely study partnership was chronicled in The Times of Israel. After the conversation, the book will be available for purchase and signed by the authors.

### A Woman's Perspective Classes with Rabbi Kornsgold and Gila Fine Wednesday, November 13, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

#### Sisterhood Conference Room

Wednesday, November 13 12:00-1:00 p.m. Sisterhood Conference Room In this meeting we'll be joined by guest speaker Gila Fine, author of "The Madwoman in the Rabbi's Attic: Rereading the Women of the Talmud"

Sinai Temple has inaugurated a select group of members, young and old, who are brave enough to come before the congregation to chant from the Torah. We borrowed a name used elsewhere and called it, "The Yad Squad." The 2024 Adult B'not Mitzvah are well represented in this club, as are several talented youthful B'nai Mitzvah. We also include our veteran readers. Please contact our Ritual Director, Jay Harwitt, to add yourself to this list – before he comes looking for **you**.

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Scan the QR code to RSVP for these events and to learn about more events. For more information contact Amanda Harrison at <u>aharrison@sinaitemple.org</u>or 310-481-3246

