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ALSO JOIN US FOR:

SHABBAT DAYCARE DROP-OFF

Upper Traub; 9:45 - 11:45 a.m.
Drop-off
For potty trained to 5 years old.
First come, first served. No food
allowed. Please pick up on time.

NEW! SHABBAT LOUNGE FOR 3RD-5TH GRADERS

Youth Lounge and Rickles Gym
9:45 - 11:45 a.m.
Join us for games, basketball,
handball and fun!

MINCHA & KABBALAT SHABBAT

in Kohn Chapel
Every Friday at 5:45
*Also available to watch on
YouTube*

DAILY MINYAN

in Kohn Chapel
Monday–Friday at 7:30 a.m.
and 5:45 p.m. (in person)
Saturday 9:00 p.m. (online only)
Sunday (and National Holidays,
when held in-person) 8:30 a.m.



SINAI TEMPLE

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PARASHAT TERUMAH / תְּרוּמָה ROSH CHODESH ADAR | SHABBAT SHEKALIM

Torah Reading Begins: *Exodus* 26:31 (P. 495)
Seventh Aliyah for Rosh Chodesh: *Numbers* 28:9-15 (P. 930)
Maftir for Shabbat Shekalim: *Exodus* 30:11-16 (P. 523)
Haftarah for Shabbat Shekalim: *II Kings* 12:1-17 (P. 1277)
“A Gift From Our Hearts:” Sermon by Rabbi Avi Taff

SHABBAT SERVICE

in Ziegler Sanctuary at 9:00 a.m.

Also available to watch on YouTube

The Bar Mitzvah of Eli Y.
The Bat Mitzvah of Alaia Mobin

TORAH AT THE TABLE

in Lower Traub from 9:15 - 10:30 a.m.

TORAH IN THE ROUND

in Kohn Chapel at 9:30 a.m.

Also available to watch on YouTube

The Bar Mitzvah of Dale Vantrease

**Consider Donating to the Sinai Temple
Emergency Fund - Scan to Donate!**

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A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT MEHRZAD ROSHAN

How am I supposed to make decisions without you?

Do you remember our last decision in the safe room?

'Do we fight or surrender?' You said, 'Fight.'

These are the last spoken words between Yarden and Shiri Bibas on October 7, 2023, before they were taken hostage along with their two children, Ariel and Kfir.

Our hearts are wrenched with pain and grief as Shiri, Ariel, and Kfir were laid to rest. There are no words to fully capture the depth of this sorrow.

As we mourn, we also reaffirm our commitment to stand together, to fight for Israel, and to uphold the legacy and the names of those we have lost.

As we approach Purim, we are reminded that our story is one of resilience and survival. The story of Purim is not just about triumph but about the courage to stand up in the face of destruction. Queen Esther did not remain silent-she acted. She risked everything to save her people. Like Esther, we, too, must have the courage to speak up, act, and ensure Am Israel's survival.

Yes, we will fight, as Jews have done for thousands of years. We are here; we endure. And we will continue to fight not just for Israel's survival but for its strength, its future, and its peace.

TEMPLE EVENTS

Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class

Starting March 11 thru May 27
Tuesdays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

A weekly class with Rabbi Kornsgold, for members only. Be called up to the Torah as a B'nai Mitzvah!

Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 9 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
This year taking place at Sinai Temple!

Buy discounted tickets NOW! Early-bird registration ends Thursday March 6 at 11:59 p.m.

- **Activities for Ages 0-6:** Petting Zoo, Train Ride, Animal Crawl, Balloon Typhoon and Face Painting.
- **Activities for Ages 7+:** Slam Dunk Game, Bungee Experience, Swift Kick Soccer, Selfie Station and Go Kart.
- **Activities for Adults 21+:** Lounge, Kosher BBQ, Coffee Cart.

To sponsor a booth or explore other sponsorship opportunities, please contact Jackie Ahdout at jahdout@sinaitemple.org or call 310-481-3225.

Hebrew Crash Course

Wednesday nights, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
March 12 - April 11

Learn to read and write in Hebrew in just 5 weeks, with master teacher Tina Kaminski!

A Wicked Wicked Purim Spiel

Thursday, March 13

- 5:45 p.m.: Pre-Spiel Pizza Party
- 6:15 – 7:00 p.m.: Wicked Wicked Spiel
- 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.: Full Megilah Reading

Don't forget your costume!

Get ready to sing and celebrate Purim at our Sinai Temple Purim Spiel on March 13! You are invited to an evening that will defy gravity... Join us for a Wicked, Wicked Purim! If you're interested in joining the Purim spiel email Cantor Orly Campbell: ocampbell@sinaitemple.org

American Universities and the Threat of Foreign Influence in the Post-Oct. 7 World

A conversation between Rabbi Wolpe and journalist and author Roya Hakakian
Tuesday, March 18 at Sinai Temple

- 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. - Wine and Cheese Reception
- 7:00-8:30 p.m. - Conversation

How did a senior Iranian diplomat who had white-washed the regime's horrific crimes become a tenured faculty at a storied American college? How do Iran and some Arab states wield their money and influence over our colleges and universities? What does such influence mean for Jewish life and the future of democracy in America? Has anything really changed since last year's campus riots? Renowned journalist and author Roya Hakakian will address these questions in an interview by Sinai Temple's Rabbi David Wolpe. The tireless efforts of the sister of one of the Islamic Republic's victims will also be recognized.

MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

For more information or to schedule an individual, confidential consultation for any mental health-related matter, please contact Carolyn Hoffman, LCSW, directly at choffman@sinaitemple.org or (310) 481-3209.

Support Groups

Where Magic Happens!

Did you know? Participation in a support group for a specific life challenge not only provides comfort, but it can also restore hope, build resilience, and create a lasting sense of community. The Sinai Temple Mental Health Center offers these unique group experiences exclusively for our members: Bereavement, Caregivers for a loved one with Dementia, Israel and Antisemitism, Emotional Wellness and Jewish Spirituality, and the Chai Society Mental Health Book Discussion. We hope you will join us!

All groups are ongoing and require a private, individual consultation prior to joining with the Center's Director, Carolyn Hoffman, LCSW.

The Sinai Temple Mental Health Center is generously underwritten by the Fredric D. Rosen and Nadine Schiff-Rosen Family Foundation.

SISTERHOOD

Please join us for Sisterhood's Annual Torah Fund Luncheon!

Honoring Shan Farahi and Cici Hallegua
Tuesday, March 25 at 11:30 a.m. in Barad Hall

\$50 per ticket / Please register online at member.sinaitemple.org/events. Advance registration required by Tuesday, March 18, 2025

GALA HONORARY COMMITTEE

We invite you to join the Honorary Committee in celebrating 13 years of Cantor Marcus Feldman's inspirational music. By purchasing an ad or tickets, you can help make this milestone event truly special. As a member of the Committee, your name will be listed on the forthcoming invitation. For more info, please email us at songandcelebration@sinaitemple.org or contact Jackie Ahdout directly at 310-481-3225.

DON'T MISS THESE UPCOMING EXCITING CHAI SOCIETY EVENTS

Shabbat Kiddush Lunches

Immediately following services (approx. 11:45 a.m.). We are excited about the upcoming Shabbat Lunches, where we will gather for delicious meals and meaningful conversations.

COST: \$10 Sinai Temple members and \$18 non-Sinai Temple members.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the following dates: **March 8, April 5, May 17, June 7**

RSVP on the Sinai Temple website.



Scan the QR code
to RSVP and to learn
about more events.

For more information contact Amanda Harrison
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