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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.



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PARASHAT SH'MINI | M'VAR'CHIM HACHODESH IYAR (Sunday night, Monday, and Tuesday)

Torah Reading Begins: *Leviticus* 11:1 (P. 636)
Maftir: *Leviticus* 11:45-47 (P. 642)
Haftarah Begins: *2 Samuel* 6:1 (P. 645)
"A Vision for Tomorrow: An American Rabbi Living in Israel" —
Rabbi Erez Sherman in Conversation with Rabbi Leor Sinai

SHABBAT SERVICE

in Ziegler Sanctuary at 9:00 a.m.

Also available to watch on YouTube

TORAH IN THE ROUND

in Kohn Chapel at 9:30 a.m.

The Bat Mitzvah of Arielle J. Smiedt

TORAH AT THE TABLE

in Lower Traub at 9:15 a.m.

Honor or remember someone special with a meaningful gift to Sinai Temple. Scan this QR code to make a contribution in their name and create a lasting tribute.



Find us on YouTube at www.youtube.com/@SinaiTemplePresents

TEMPLE EVENTS

TODAY – Shabbat Guest Speaker in Ziegler Sanctuary: Rabbi Leor Sinai

Origins of Hazzanut Revealed
Tuesday, April 29 at 7:00 p.m.

Join cantor, musicologist, and popular writer **Cantor Matt Austerklein** for a musical evening exploring the evolution of the cantorial arts through the Medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque eras. This lecture-concert will feature interactive storytelling, communal singing, and performances from Cantor Austerklein, Cantor Feldman, Music Director Benjamin Fingerhut, and other musicians. **The event will begin with observance of Yom Hazikaron.**

Friends of the Israel Defense Forces, Israeli American Council, StandWithUs, Temple of the Arts & The Consulate General of Israel Present: Yom Hazikaron Community-Wide Night of Remembrance
Tuesday, April 29. Doors open at 6:15 p.m.
Program begins promptly at 7:00 p.m.

Together, we stand in remembrance of Israel's fallen soldiers and victims of terror, whose courage and sacrifice will never be forgotten. Early arrival is recommended due to security. **Free admission; RSVP required.** Address: Beverly Hills, CA 90211 - details will be given after registration.

For more information, please contact the FIDF Western Region at 323-843-2690 or email LA@fidf.org.

Rock Wednesday
Wednesday, April 30 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Join us to celebrate Israel! We will have a LIVE BBQ, DJ, photo booth, crafts, and an opportunity to participate in Mitzvot for Israel!

It's a Date - Yom Ha'atzmaut!

Sip Your Wine, Send Heroes to Dine, and Strengthen Israel! Hey, do you want to take an IDF soldier out on a date? Now you can. And you don't even have to leave your couch to do it! Elevate your kosher wine purchases into a heartwarming "triple mitzvah" support. "It's a Date!" makes it happen. Your wine purchase becomes their perfect date night, supporting Israel every step of the way.

Foundations - Rebellious Torah: A Journey of Dialogue, Critique, and Spiritual Reflection
With Rabbi Tova Leibovic-Douglas
May 5, 12 and 19 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join us in a transformative exploration of the Torah and Rabbinic literature, where ancient texts become vibrant landscapes for discussion and critique. In this class, we will dive deep into the characters and stories of the Torah, not as passive narratives, but as dynamic invitations for intellectual and spiritual engagement.

Foundations: A Hebrew Crash Course 2.0
With Master Teacher Tina Kaminski
On Wednesday Nights, May 7 – June 4
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Already have a foundation in Hebrew and looking to go further? This in-person series, led by Tina Kaminsky, is designed for learners who want to strengthen their skills, brush up on grammar, expand vocabulary, and grow more confident in conversation.

Sinai Temple Women's Mission to Israel
October 2025 Led by Rabbi Nicole Guzik
October 27 – November 2, 2025
Interest Call on Tuesday 4/22 at 10:15

For more information and to register for the interest call, email Gary Fayman at gfayman@sinaitemple.org.

SINAI TEMPLE'S 2025 ANNUAL GALA

May 18 from 5:00 – 10:00 p.m.
Honoring Cantor Marcus Feldman!
With a special tribute to Ruth Pilot (z"l) and family.
5:00 p.m. – Cocktails and Hors D'oeuvres
7:00 p.m. – Dinner, Dancing, and Musical Program
Sinai Temple Cocktail Attire

Celebration Honorary Chair: Judy Fischer. Celebration Co-Chairs: Jane Z. and Larry Cohen, Sherri and Brian Ghodsian, and Sepideh Makabi and Robin Nourmand.

MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

Balancing Multiple Kids with Only Two Hands
Tuesday, April 29 / After ECC drop-off
9:30am – 10:30 a.m., No Charge

Join the Sinai Temple Mental Health Center for an informal conversation, facilitated by Carolyn Hoffman, LCSW, Director of the Sinai Temple Mental Health Center. Babies are welcome!

The Sinai Temple Mental Health Center & the Chai Society for Positive Aging
Invite You to a Mental Health and Wellness Event:
Book Discussion and Lunch
Thursday, May 1 from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
\$10 Sinai Temple Members, \$15 Non-Members

You are invited to join us for a delicious lunch and engaging conversation as we explore the Jewish immigrant experience of the early 20th century, the ways the past informs future generations, and the endless and magical possibilities of love in *The Matchmaker's Gift* by Lynda Cohen Loigman.

Teen Mental Health Creative Writing Contest
Sponsored by the Sinai Temple
Mental Health Center and Teen Center

We invite all Sinai Temple tweens and teens in grades 7 – 12 to participate in a creative writing contest on the importance of mental health awareness! Win prizes, make friends, and make a difference!
Submissions due by May 11, 2025. Winners will be announced at a special Teen Lounge Night on Thursday, May 29, at 7PM. **SAVE THE DATE!**

The Sinai Temple Mental Health Center is generously underwritten by a generous grant from the Fredric D. Rosenand Nadine Schiff-Rosen Family Foundation.

SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood Shabbat
Saturday May 10 at 9:00 a.m. in Ziegler Sanctuary

The congregation is invited to attend the Sisterhood Shabbat where we will celebrate mothers, daughters, grandmothers, sisters, relatives, and friends! Please join us for an uplifting service filled with love and warmth, led by women in our community. Following the service, please stay for a celebratory lunch. Reservations are required. To RSVP, visit member.sinaitemple.org/events.

CHAI SOCIETY

Shabbat Kiddush Lunches
\$10 Sinai Temple Members, \$18 Non-Members

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. RSVP on the Sinai Temple website. Mark your calendars for the following dates:

Saturday, May 17: Celebrate Generational Shabbat with us! We invite you to bring your family and friends for a memorable Shabbat service followed by a delightful kiddush lunch. This lunch is open to Chai Society members and their extended families—so invite loved ones to join the celebration.

Saturday, June 7: A special summer treat is in store; details will be announced soon!



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

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