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**May the High Holy Days Bring  
Us All Renewal, Blessing,  
and Life!**

**A Message from Rabbi Andy Vogel  
& Rabbi Talia Stein**

# September Services

*NOTE: Join us for services in our Sanctuary OR by livestream video. Links to services can be found on our website.*

Friday, Sept. 6	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat Services
Saturday, Sept. 7	9:30 AM	Tot Shabbat (in the Religious School Wing)
Friday, Sept. 13	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat Services: Welcome Shabbat, followed by Community Shabbat Dinner
Friday, Sept. 20	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat Services
Friday, Sept. 27	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat Services

## **NEW TIME for ALL Friday Shabbat services: 6:00 pm!**

We are excited to share news about our upcoming services. Starting in September, all Friday evening services will start at 6 p.m. We expect this time change to give us greater flexibility in scheduling musicians, speakers, Shabbat dinners, and special events. We are also hoping to avoid the confusion associated with our previous schedule that affected congregants, security, staff, and tech support. Services will continue to be available on Zoom. The pre-service Nosh will start earlier, at 5:30 p.m., to provide time to snack and socialize before the service begins. Please call the Temple Office to sign up to provide a nosh!

For a complete listing of upcoming events at Temple Sinai, go to our website: [www.sinaibrookline.org](http://www.sinaibrookline.org).

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Our community is eagerly awaiting the High Holy Days of 5785, days to find hope with one another, reflect on our lives, reconnect with one another, and seek healing for our broken world. As we approach this season this year, we pray it will be a good and healthy New Year for you and your dear ones, and for our entire community and Jews everywhere.

Whether you choose to join us in person at the Temple or via your computer for the **upcoming Elul events (see p. 12)**, Rosh Hashanah, and Yom Kippur services, we pray that the promise of a new beginning for ourselves and our world will bring us goodness and blessing, life and health, and strength and courage in the Jewish New Year 5785.



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## Announcements



### The Value of Community

You won't find a traditional synagogue dues structure at Sinai Brookline. In its place, we have adopted **SinaiPromise Membership**.

SinaiPromise Membership is a pledge we make to each other as a community to contribute what we can to support our temple, clergy, and programs. These pledges are the building blocks for our being a *kehillah shel chesed*, a caring, inclusive community.

With this approach, you receive information about the cost of running Sinai Brookline and the average amount each member household would need to contribute to sustain it for the coming year. Members are then asked to contribute what they can to maintain our community.

We invite you to learn more about this exciting alternative to traditional synagogue dues and how you can make your pledge. You can be assured that you will be welcomed warmly no matter the level of financial commitment.

### Our Rabbis Are Here for You

As your rabbis, we are here for you, as always, and we hope to be present with you in both times of joy as well as times of sadness. We hope we may offer support, express sympathy, join with you in prayer, celebrate with you, and otherwise be present for you in your life. **In the case of a death in your family**, please notify one of us, even if the funeral is out of town. Please contact us in the case of any kind of illness as well, so we may be helpful to you and your family.

Both our rabbis, Rabbi Andy Vogel and Associate Rabbi Talia Stein, are available for spiritual support for members in life cycle and life crisis moments, officiation at many life cycle events, and consultation on Jewish matters. Rabbi Vogel is often the primary contact in the case of a life event, and Rabbi Stein is also available. Please reach out to us. And, as always, our Caring Network volunteers are available to support you in a variety of ways—let us know how we may be helpful to you.

#### How to Reach Rabbi Vogel and Rabbi Stein

**By phone:** Call the Temple Sinai office at 617-277-5888. Please leave a voicemail message if we are unavailable when you call. **By email:** Email us at [RabbiVogel@SinaiBrookline.org](mailto:RabbiVogel@SinaiBrookline.org) or [RabbiStein@SinaiBrookline.org](mailto:RabbiStein@SinaiBrookline.org). We check email regularly, but please call for more urgent matters. **To set up an appointment:** Please call or email either of us directly, or contact Paul Kelly, our administrative assistant, who schedules appointments for Rabbi Vogel. If you need to change an appointment, please call Paul Kelly in the Temple office. **In an emergency or a death in your family:** If outside regular office hours, please call Rabbi Vogel on his cell phone at 617-257-6848. (Email is less reliable in this instance.)

*Temple Sinai honors individual journeys of Judaism, joyfully embracing and connecting our members in community. We are enriched by engaging in lifelong study of Torah, seeking holiness through meaningful worship, and bringing justice, healing and caring to our world. We each aspire to deepen communication, broaden commitments, and gain inspiration bound only by the limits of our dreams.*

### Be Part of Temple Sinai's Caring Network—It's a Mitzvah!

Temple Sinai's Caring Network is made up of congregants who've agreed to be contacted when another member is facing an important life event—the birth or adoption of a child, a death in the family, or an illness or injury—and needs support. Our volunteers do a variety of tasks: they make phone calls, deliver meals, attend *shivas*, or help out with shopping or errands. Most tasks are **one time only** and volunteers can do as much or as little as they wish.

Our most frequent activity is **providing a meal**, and—although many committed members have signed up to help—given the frequency with which we provide meals (typically 2-4 times each month!), we sometimes have to scramble in order to meet the needs. If you haven't done so already, **please consider adding your name** to our volunteer list. Our goal is 100% member participation. If you're already on our list, **please consider responding** next time a request goes out. (While home-cooked meals are always appreciated, take-out is fine too, and reimbursement is available if needed.) We rely on our volunteers to care for our congregants and your actions are very much appreciated by the recipients.

The Caring Network coordinators are

- **Lissa King** and **Marsha Canick** for those dealing with grief and mourning following a loss.
- **Emily Jackson** for those experiencing issues related to illness and injury.
- **Marsha Canick** for families welcoming new children through birth or adoption.

**Joel Match** and **Jane Silberberg** chair the Caring Network. **Emily Case** writes notes and cards on our behalf. **Rabbi Andy Vogel** and **Rabbi Talia Stein** direct our activities. Have questions? Ready to sign up? Email us at [CaringNetwork@SinaiBrookline.org](mailto:CaringNetwork@SinaiBrookline.org).

### Temple Sinai CALENDAR ל'א ח

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Our High Holy Day prayer book says as the Shofar is sounded, *"Hayom harat olam...* Today, the world is born anew... Lovingly, God, receive our prayers!" We pray that the New Year will fill us with hope and prayer, inspire us to

action, and strengthen the connections for everyone within our community. May the High Holy Days help us renew our lives!

*-Rabbi Andy Vogel & Rabbi Talia Stein*

## High Holy Days 5785 Information

The New Year 5785 begins with Rosh Hashanah on the **evening of Wednesday, Oct. 2**, and with Yom Kippur, which begins on **Friday evening, Oct. 11**.

This year, we offer Sanctuary services for all of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. We will also be offering a Tot Service and a Family Service for the mornings of the two holidays, both held in the Weintraub Community Room (see service times to the right). *All services this year are at Temple Sinai, unlike last year.* We are very happy to again provide live video options via Zoom for members and guests who wish to join us remotely for our services in the Sanctuary.

Following public health recommendations, we advise that all individuals be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. The decision about whether to wear a mask is up to each individual and we respect each person's choice about masking.

Complete information on Temple Sinai's High Holiday services and programming and Elul observances can be found on our website, [www.sinaibrookline.org](http://www.sinaibrookline.org). Click on the High Holiday button near the top of Temple Sinai's home page for an up-to-date schedule of services, ticket and online service registration links, information on Grow Clinic food donations, and much more.

### To Participate by Zoom

Those who are unable to join us in person are welcome to participate in any of our Sanctuary services by Zoom; please note that pre-registration is required for Zoom participation (whether or not you are a Temple Sinai member), so that we may send you Zoom internet URL links.

### Tot Services & Family Services (Mornings)

Our Tot Service (ages 0-6) and Family Service (for families with children in Grades 1-5), led by Rabbi Stein, have limited seating, and require pre-registration. Please register to reserve seats via our website.

### High Holy Day Service Schedule 5785

#### EREV ROSH HASHANAH

##### **Wednesday, Oct. 2**

Evening Service for Rosh Hashanah: 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

#### ROSH HASHANAH – First Day

##### **Thursday, Oct. 3**

Morning Services:

- Sanctuary Service: 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (with intermission)
- Tot Services (ages 0-6 and family): 9:30-10:15 a.m., Weintraub Community Room
- Family Services (ages 6-13 and family): 10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Weintraub Community Room

Tashlich at Muddy River, Longwood T Stop: 12:45 p.m. (meet on Temple steps)

#### ROSH HASHANAH – Second Day

##### **Friday, Oct. 4**

2nd Day Rosh Hashanah Hike & Shofar Blowing: 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. (meet at Cutler Park in Newton; bring a picnic lunch; see more information below)

#### KOL NIDRE EVENING

##### **Friday, Oct. 11**

Kol Nidre service: 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

#### YOM KIPPUR DAY

##### **Saturday, Oct. 12, 2024**

Morning Services:

- Sanctuary Service: 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (with intermission)
- Tot Services (ages 0-6 and family): 9:30-10:15 a.m., Weintraub Community Room
- Family Services (ages 6-13 and family): 10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Weintraub Community Room

Healing Service: 1:00 p.m., (Weintraub Community Room)

Yom Kippur Forum Panel: 3:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Afternoon Service: 4:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Yizkor Memorial Service: 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Ne'ilah Concluding Service: 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary

End of Yom Kippur Shofar Blowing: 7:00 p.m.

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### 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah Hike & Shofar Blowing

This year, please join us for our 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah Hike & Shofar Blowing on Friday morning, October 4, at 10:30am. at Cutler Park in Newton (enter at the Kendrick Street parking lot), a beautiful, easy hike in the woods and around a scenic lake. Bring hiking boots, a bag lunch, a Shofar if you own one, and apples and honey. We will hike for a bit, assemble for prayer, singing and Shofar blowing, and then enjoy lunch together. Dress for hiking!

### “Borrow a *Machzor*”

We are pleased to again offer our Borrow a *Machzor* program for those who wish to use the Reform movement’s two-volume *Mishkan HaNefesh* *machzor* prayer book at home before or during the High Holy Days. Please come to the Temple office to sign out either one or both volumes, starting Sunday, Sept. 15.

### Elul Events in September (see also p. 12)

The Hebrew month of Elul provides an opportunity to prepare yourself for the High Holy Days, to engage in *cheshbon ha’nefesh*, the traditional term for reflection and personal accounting. Please join us again this year for a variety of Elul events during this month of personal preparation, including outdoor Shofar blowing gatherings, classes and workshops on *teshuva*, online study and discussion platforms, and opportunities to learn new music and sing together. Our first Shofar Blowing Gathering for Elul will be **Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 6:00 p.m.** on the Temple Sinai Sanctuary steps. Look for more information about Elul events and please join us!

### The Scroll of Remembrance Memorial Book

The Memorial Book is a special opportunity to recall your departed loved ones in the New Year. Please respond to this year’s mailing from Rose Mandelbaum, or contact the Temple office for further information. The Scroll of Remembrance booklet will be distributed at the Yikzor Memorial Service on Yom Kippur afternoon.

### High Holiday Registration

We welcome non-members and ask all our guests to register via our website for the High Holy Days, for both security reasons and so that we know who is joining us—either in person or online. Guests will receive an Admission Card, and may pick it up in the Temple office as services begin. We very much appreciate a donation by our guests of any amount; a link to make a contribution is available on the High Holy Day registration page. (Thank you!)

Temple Sinai members do not need to register if you are attending in person; members only need to register to participate in Tot or Family Services, or to participate by Zoom. Temple members should bring their Admission Card to services; for security reasons, our Greeters will ask to see every person’s Admission Card at the entrance. Members who wish to obtain additional Admission Cards for guests or relatives should register via our website.

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Our entire staff at Temple Sinai joins in wishing you and your family a very happy, healthy, and peaceful New Year. *L’shanah tovah tikateivu v’tichateim!*

## In Our Lives

We are very sorry to share that our longtime member Dr. David Miller passed away on May 4. He was 92 years old. We offer our condolences to David's wife of 65 years, Renee Miller, and to their children, Roger Miller and his wife Louise Rogers; Valerie Miller; Rick Miller; and Seth Miller and his wife Ruth Bond. David was the cherished grandfather of Leet, William, Adam, Esme, Eva, Max, Ben, Julian, and Phoebe. We offer David's entire family our heartfelt condolences, and may his memory be for a blessing.

Congratulations to Temple Sinai members Charlie Homer, Roberta Falke, Carol Gladstone, and Julie Jette, who were elected to Brookline Town Meeting on May 7.

We wish *mazel tov* to our members Hildy and Peter Neumann on the wedding of their daughter Ariel Neumann to Walker Griggs, on May 26, in Needham, MA. Rabbi Vogel officiated. Ariel and Walker met at Kenyon College, and are currently residing in Eastham, MA. *Mazel tov!*

Our entire congregation offers our warm wishes of *mazel tov* to our Associate Rabbi Talia Stein and Adam Winograd on their wonderful wedding on June 16 in Rehoboth, MA. Our community is overjoyed for them, and wishes Rabbi Stein and Adam a lifetime of happiness and fulfillment together! We extend our *mazel tov* wishes to the Stein and Winograd families, as well. *Mazel tov!*

We offer our condolences to Larry Hardoon and Janet Fine on the death of Larry's beloved cousin, Michael Lawee, who passed away on June 9. He was 75 years old, and had been diagnosed with cancer only a few weeks earlier. We pray that Larry and Janet and their family find comfort as they remember him.

We are very sorry to inform you of the death of Temple Sinai member Laura Lazarus, sister of Temple member Allen Berliner. Laura passed away on June 24, at age 86, of congestive heart failure. We offer our heartfelt condolences to Allen and his wife Edwina and their children and family. May the memory of Laura Lazarus be for a blessing.

We are very sorry to inform you of the death of longtime Temple Sinai member Ruth Kates, who passed away on June 24. She was 99 years old. We offer our condolences to Ruth's son, Richard Kates, of New York, and to Ruth's sister Sheila, of California. (Sadly, Ruth's beloved daugh-

ter Cheryl predeceased her; she passed away in March 2024 of a heart attack.) In addition to being a beloved mother, sister, and wife, Ruth Kates was well-known in Newton and Brookline as a painter and teacher of painting. She called her painting style "contemporary impressionism," and she taught painting to dozens of adult students in the Greater Boston area. One of her paintings hangs at Temple Sinai in Ehrenfried Hall, a view of Jerusalem that Ruth painted from her hotel room window. Ruth was Temple Sinai's oldest member, and originally joined the Temple with her husband Murray in 1960. We will miss her. May the memory of Ruth Kates be a blessing, and may her family find comfort during this time of mourning.

We wish *mazel tov* to our Senior Rabbi Andy Vogel, on reaching the 20th anniversary of his service to Temple Sinai as our rabbi, which began on July 1, 2004. Rabbi Vogel posted a message of gratitude, with a handful of photos taken through the years, on the Sinai Brookline Facebook page. *Mazel tov!*

We are very sorry to inform you of the death of longtime Temple Sinai member Carole Burns, who passed away on July 10. She was 90 years old. We offer our condolences to Carole's daughter Tracie Burns, who is also a member of Temple Sinai with her children Eli and Koby Giglietti, and to Carole's sons Neil and Andrew and to their children and grandchildren. May Carole's memory be for a blessing, and may her family find comfort.

We are very sorry to inform you of the death of Alex Weintraub, who passed away in July. He was 62 years old. We offer our condolences to Alex's sister, Melissa Weintraub, and her husband Laurence Taoman, of Oregon. Alex was the beloved son of the late Howard and Arlene Weintraub, who were both longtime members and leaders, and who each served as president of Temple Sinai. As a community, we offer Melissa and her entire extended family our heartfelt condolences.

We offer our condolences to Cathy Cotton, on the death of Brian Thomsitt, Cathy's mother's longtime partner, who passed away in Florida in early August. Brian was a member of Cathy's family for 46 years. We offer Cathy and her entire family our heartfelt condolences.

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## Meet Our Musicians for Friday Nights, Saturday Mornings, and Holidays!



**Micah Sandman** is joining us as vocalist for Friday evenings and the High Holy Days. A native of Albuquerque, NM, Micah is also embarking on Rabbinical Studies at Hebrew College. We are very excited to welcome her beautiful and soulful singing.



Our longtime Shabbat Band, featuring clarinet, piano, guitars, and drums (by **Joanne Baker, Joel Segel, and Benyamin Lichtenstein**) will continue joining us monthly on the second Friday of each month.



In addition, we have engaged a second band, **Jacob's Ladder**, led by **Ariel Wyner** on mandolin, for five Shabbats during the year and the evening of Simchat Torah. Come hear the music!



**Abi Oshins**, a 4th year Rabbinical student at Hebrew College, will be our vocalist for Saturday morning B'nai Mitzvah services. We are very fortunate to welcome Abi with her beautiful voice and enormous enthusiasm.



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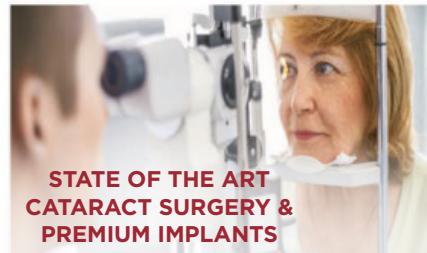
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# Religious School

Welcome to a new year of Religious School! We're looking forward to being back together again after a wonderful summer. Please note the following dates for September activities and classes:

## Madrichim Program Orientation (open to Grades 8-12)

**Tuesday, Sept. 3, 5:00-6:30 p.m. in Weintraub** (dinner provided)

## 8th Grade Curriculum Night and Sinai U Orientation for Families in Weintraub Community Room

**Wednesday, Sept. 4**

5:30-6:30 p.m. 8th Grade Curriculum Overview

6:30-7:00 p.m. Break and pizza dinner

7:00-8:00 p.m. Sinai U Orientation for families

## Tot Shabbat

**Saturday, Sept. 7, 9:30-10:00 a.m.**

Families with young children ages 0-5 are warmly invited to join Rabbi Talia Stein in celebrating Shabbat together. Rabbi Stein will lead families through a tot-friendly Shabbat service followed by a light Kiddush nosh. Together we'll sing Shabbat songs and learn prayers, read stories and play! We gather on the second floor of our Religious School wing in our young children's classroom, Room 203.

## First Day of Religious School: Family Picnic for Grades K-7 at Larz Anderson Park

**Sunday, Sept. 8, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

We're excited to welcome you and your family for the start of a wonderful new school year! We begin our year together for a picnic in Larz Anderson park for the whole family (siblings and grandparents are welcome). Students can meet our teachers and play games together while families mingle. Rabbi Vogel, Rabbi Stein, and Jen Zak will be there to celebrate the beginning of a new school year. Bring sunscreen, a picnic blanket, outdoor games, drinks, and snacks.

## Sunday Religious School classes for Grades K-7

**Sept. 8 (picnic only at 10:00 a.m.), 15, 22, & 29, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

## Sunday Religious School classes for Grade 8

**Sept. 8 (picnic only at 10:00 a.m.) & 22, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

## Tuesday Religious School classes for Grades 3-6

**Sept. 10, 17, & 24, 4:00-5:30 p.m. (2:30 dropoff option)**

## New Family Welcome Brunch

**Sunday, Sept. 15, 9:45-11:15 a.m.**

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In memory of Edward S. Ganek by Jonathan Heimberg  
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In honor of Deena Blau by Village Vinyl & Hi-Fi  
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In memory of Ruth Kates by Ellen White and Abby White

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In honor of Rabbi Stein's marriage by Elaine Ober and Peter Skagestad  
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In memory of Harry Bass by Andrew Bass  
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In memory of Sidney Lehrer by Robert and Shari Thurér

In honor of Toby Axelrod and Barry Schwartz by Robert and Shari Thurér

### HOWARD AND ARLENE WEINTRAUB FUND FOR EXCELLENCE IN MUSIC

In memory of Mimi Kagan by Mark Kagan

### RABBI FRANK AND BETH WALDORF SCHOOL FUND

In memory of Frances Garten Levine by Judith and Stephen Bernstein



## In Our Lives, cont. from p. 5

Temple Sinai offers wishes of *mazel tov* to Ada Korkhin, who represented the United States when she competed in the 2024 Paris Olympics last week in two Women's Pistol Shooting events. Ada celebrated her Bat Mitzvah at Temple Sinai in 2017, and she is now 19, and grew up in Brookline. Visit [www.olympics.com/en/paris-2024/athlete/ada-claudia-korkhin\\_1944364](http://www.olympics.com/en/paris-2024/athlete/ada-claudia-korkhin_1944364) for the results of Ada's events at the Paris Olympics. We are very proud of her achievements!

We are very sorry to inform you of the death of Sue L. Klau, mother of our member Michael Klau. We offer our condolences to Michael and his wife Michele Klau; their children Susan Small and her husband Matthew; Kenneth Klau and his wife Jessica, and their children Elias and

Amelie; to Michael's sister Flippy Tanenbaum and his brother David Klau, and to their entire family. May Sue Klau's memory be for a blessing.

We wish *mazel tov* to our members Shelly Pascale and Kevin Calderwood on their wedding ceremony celebrations on Aug. 9 and 10. *Mazel tov!*

We wish *mazel tov* to members of our community who completed their conversion to Judaism recently by meeting with the Beit Din and immersing in the *Mikveh*. Glynnis Santeramo formally became a member of the Jewish people on July 24, and Kumar Veerapen formally became a member of the Jewish people on Aug. 7. *Mazel tov* and welcome!

## Yahrzeits

Mary Arnstein	Nathan Crosby	Philip A. Kaye	Donald Parisky	Susan Sonkin
Rebecca Brody Axelrad	Meyer Diller	Wilma Kelly	Nathan Pasch	Stanley Sonner
Mary Bachner	Pauline Ehrlich	Phyllis Kirshen	Phyllis Paul	Max Sosnick
Dorothy Barax	Ismael Felix	Jakob Kirsztajn	Anna Polonsky	Eleanor Spingarn
Judith Bare	Bernie Finkelstein	Freda Klein	Marvin Polonsky	Adam Statman
Ruth Berliner	Meier Fiszel	Jacob Kramer	Rosalie Puglia	George Statman
Coleman Bess	Milton Flier	Vivien Krasner	Silvia Richman	Robert Stelzer
George Birnbaum	Joseph Fried	Lawrence Kroin	Janet Richmond	Mary Stevens
Millie Birnbaum	Leonard Geltzeiler	David Leavitt	Helene Hoffman	Bertha Turran
Leslie Bloomenthal	Jay Gerson	Sylvia Leavitt	Ripstein	Philip Verner
Siegfried Fred Brand	Eva Glick	Michael Leis	Gloria Rosenthal	Bernard Wax
Leah Breitstein	Benjamin Helman	Albert H. Levine	Sarah Sadowsky	Jeanne Rinsky Weintraub
Herbert Brenner	Samuel Homer	Myles Lopatin	Lillian Sandler	Rose Weintraub
Esther Brudo	Priscilla Howell	Philip Malis	Sergiusz Scheller	Rose Weintraub
Ellen Madelung Cerrotti	Saul Isenberg	Jonathan Mann	Allen Shanen	Norman Wetzler
Syd Krivit Chase	Russell Jabert	Katherine McQuade-Toig	Sylvia Sherman	Morris Winitzer
Harry Chvat	Byrnece Jaffe	Ethel Egdal Mensh	Barney Shifres	Arthur Yaffe
Harry Cohen	Lillian Kallman	George Michelman	Sarah Shulinski	Henry Yaschik
Linda Cohen	Annie Freeman Kates	Stephen Narva	Harry Silevitch	Chaim Yonah
Hedy Cooper	Abraham Katz	Erna Zimbler Panenka	Evelyn Slonim	Stuart Zeckendorf
Richard Crone	Vera Kaufmann		Lillian Sokolow	

# Adult Learning

## Announcing Our Year-Long Theme: The Challenges of Being an American Jew Today: Israel / Palestine / Antisemitism / Zionism / Jewishness / Diaspora and more...

This year's study theme within the Sinai Brookline community will address the critical issues facing us as American Jews today, especially after October 7 and the devastating war, which has raised so many challenging questions. A collaborative effort that includes the work of multiple committees and groups within our congregation, this year's study theme will include the study of contemporary and ancient Jewish teachings, guest speakers, reflections on current events, history, politics and culture, and Torah (broadly defined) as it illuminates these issues. In addition, Adult Jewish Learning at Sinai Brookline in 2024-25 will include many classes and topics beyond the theme, as in previous years.

### Israeli Journalist Sam Sokol Reports from Jerusalem

*Times of Israel* journalist Sam Sokol joins Temple Sinai to share his reporting on Israeli politics from Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. Sam previously served as a reporter for the *Jerusalem Post*, Jewish Telegraphic Agency, and *Haaretz*, and is the author of *Putin's Hybrid War and the Jews*. He will join us monthly during the Fall to provide his insights into Israeli political developments, and to address our questions via Zoom. Please join us.

**3 Wednesdays in September, October, and November, beginning Wednesday, Sept. 11, 7:00-8:15 p.m. Zoom only.**



### Teshuvah and Jewish Mindfulness

with Rabbi Andy Vogel

Join us in Ehrenfried Hall to study a Hasidic Jewish teaching about returning to the right path for our lives, including a meditation and mindfulness session, as a way to prepare for the High Holy Days.

**Sunday, Sept. 15, 1:00 p.m. in Weintraub Community Room**



### Talmud Study Group: *Daf Shevui* (Weekly Page of Talmud)

This lively study group meets every Sunday to study one page of Talmud a week (*daf shevui*). We are currently reading Tractate Pesachim.

**Every Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Zoom only. Contact Karen Keely at [karen.keely@gmail.com](mailto:karen.keely@gmail.com) to be added to the weekly meeting email list.**

### Shabbat Morning Torah Study

with Rabbi Andy Vogel and Rabbi Talia Stein

Twice a month on Shabbat mornings, Temple Sinai members gather to discuss the ideas presented by the week's Torah portion. We begin with a light breakfast and singing and then then explore the Jewish ideas that emerge from a section of the weekly Torah reading.

**2nd & 4th Saturday mornings of each month, 9:00 a.m. In September, join us on Saturdays, Sept. 14 & 28. Both Zoom and in-person onsite. Zoom link published weekly.**

### Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class Begins

Our 2024-25 Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class begins on Sunday, September 15 for those individuals who have registered and been accepted into the program. (The class is limited to 12 participants, and registration is now closed.) The group begins a course of 15 months of study together with our rabbis and with Hebrew instructor Robin Orwant, and will celebrate their Group B'nai Mitzvah ceremony in December 2025. Congratulations!

**Begins Sunday, Sept. 15.**

*Looking ahead to October...*

### Thursday Morning Study

with Rabbi Andy Vogel

Join us each Thursday for a lively and friendly class with Rabbi Vogel. We study a wide variety of topics, rotating to a new field of study about every six weeks or so. Thursday Study includes discussions, films, text study, and an occasional guest speaker. Join us each Thursday or feelfree to drop in just once! All are welcome.

**Every Thursday, 10:15-11:45 a.m., starting Oct. 12. Both on Zoom and in-person onsite. Contact the Temple office to be added to the email list for information about each week's session and link.**



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## Join Us for Elul Events in September!

The Hebrew month of Elul, which begins on Sept. 2, provides an opportunity to prepare yourself for the High Holy Days, to engage in *cheshbon ha'nefesh*, the traditional term for reflection and personal accounting. Please join us again this year for a variety of Elul events during this month of personal preparation!

### Outdoor Shofar Blowing Events in Elul

Join us for these Outdoor Shofar Blowing events during the month of Elul, as spiritual preparation in prayer and community for the High Holy Days:

**Tuesday, Sept. 3, 6:00 p.m.:** Sanctuary steps of Temple Sinai

**Sunday, Sept. 8:** During Religious School opening day picnic, and also at Brookline Day on Harvard Street

**Tuesday, Sept. 10, 5:30 p.m.:** At Religious School dismissal time, on the Sanctuary steps of Temple Sinai

**Wednesday, Sept. 18, 5:30 p.m.:** Jamaica Pond Boathouse, Jamaica Plain

**Tuesday, Sept. 24, 5:30 p.m.:**  
Brown Street Rose Garden and  
Playground, Brookline



### Adult Learning Class: *Teshuvah* and Jewish Mindfulness

**Sunday, Sept. 15, 1:00 p.m.**  
*with Rabbi Andy Vogel*

Join us in Weintraub Community Room to study a Hasidic Jewish teaching about returning to the right path for our lives, including a meditation and mindfulness session, as a way to prepare for the High Holy Days.

### “Heart of Elul Reflections” on Padlet internet platform

Again this year, we will provide an online platform for the study of Jewish teachings related to the themes of the month of Elul leading up to the High Holy Days: repentance, forgiveness, integrity, prayer and renewal.

Please watch for regular emails during the month of September with internet links that bring you prompts on the Padlet interactive internet platform, inviting you to share your written responses to short Jewish teachings on the theme.