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Kol Yisra'el

THE VOICE OF TEMPLE ISRAEL

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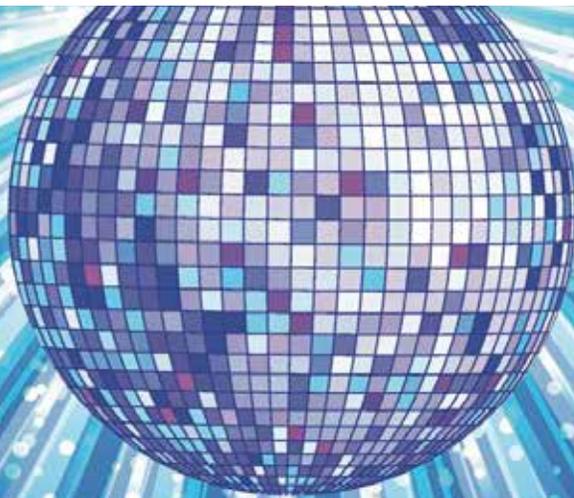


YOUR DONATION OR LEGACY GIFT WILL HELP FUND OUR FUTURE!

The Next 100 Years Campaign has currently raised over three million dollars that will allow Temple Israel to continue to maintain our beautiful facility and continue services and programming for our community. Contact the office to find out how you can be involved and contribute to our future!

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THE

MAMMA MIA

MEGILLAH

SATURDAY, MARCH 4 AT 7:30 PM

Based on the music of

ABBA

COSTUME THEME 70'S

TOT SHABBAT

Friday, March 24 at 6:00 pm

at Temple Israel

Followed by a FREE pizza dinner!



Tot Shabbat is a fun, informal, child-centered Shabbat Service, designed especially for children, ages newborn to early elementary school age and their loved ones. Through songs, prayers, stories, and Torah time, children love this Service!

Please RSVP to Michelle at mdt@tilb.org



Friday, March 10 at 7:00 pm

Join us for Kol HaNeshama: A Soulful Musical Service
Following the service we will hear from the Regional
Director of HIAS, the CEO of JFCS and resettled
refugees living in Long Beach.
Q&A session will follow the speakers

MARCH SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday, March 3

6:30 pm K-3rd Grade Family Shabbat Service

Saturday, March 4

Shabbat Midbar at El Dorado Nature Center

8:45 am Torah Study

10:00 am Hike and Meditation

No Service at the Temple

Friday, March 10

Refugee Shabbat

7:00 pm Kol HaNeshama -Refugee Shabbat

Saturday, March 11

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service

Friday, March 17

6:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, March 18

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service

Bat Mitzvah of Lily Zwilling

Friday, March 24

Pilger Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Laura Novak Winer

6:00 pm Tot Shabbat

7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, March 25

8:45 am Torah Study

11:00 am Senior Shabbat and Luncheon (Alpert JCC)

11:30 am Lunch and Learn with Pilger Scholar-in-Residence

Friday, March 31

Shabbat at Home (No Service at the Temple)

Saturday, April 1

8:45 am Lay Led Torah Study

10:30 am Lay Led Shabbat Morning Service

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The deadline for submission of all material for the newsletter is the
10th of the preceding month prior to publication.

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Our Mission Statement Guided by Reform Jewish values,
our mission is to engage in a journey of prayer, learning, and
community that inspires us to transform ourselves and the
world.

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ISRAEL REDUX

By Mark Dressner, Temple President



Since returning from Israel, and my last column celebrating Israel, many people have had discussions with me about how they can no longer support Israel given what is going on with the current government. There is nothing more important for Jewish people than to support our Jewish homeland – Israel!! One may not agree with the government, polices, Palestinian issues, and many other topics, but one MUST always support Israel. Our job

as Diaspora Jews is to influence Israel to be the Jewish homeland AND the democracy that it should be. We do not abandon the United States if we don't agree with the current government; we fight to help make the United States the country it should be.

There are many ways that one can get involved in affecting Israel, including letter writing and emailing campaigns, demonstrations, financial support, and more. I would like to acquaint you with organizational resources that are fighting the good fight:

IMPJ, Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism

<http://www.reform.org.il/Eng/Index.asp>

"The Israel Movement for Reform and Progressive Judaism is the communal, spiritual and social Jewish movement that acts to promote the values of the State of Israel as a Jewish and democratic state according to the spirit of the Declaration of Independence, enriches Jewish identity among the vast and diverse Israeli public, and merits to significantly influence religious, educational and public discourse in the State of Israel and in the entire Jewish world.

Our work in Israel includes: Progressive Jewish education; establishing pluralistic Jewish communities; youth and young adult leadership; social action and advocacy for religious pluralism in Israel; engaging immigrants from the Former Soviet Union with their Judaism; deepening ties between Israeli and Diaspora Jews

Guided by values of Reform Judaism in general, and Tikkun Olam in particular, the Israel Reform Movement works every day to make progressive and pluralistic Judaism accessible to all Israelis."

IRAC, Israel Religious Action Center

<https://www.irac.org/>

"Securing civil rights for a just and egalitarian Israel based on Israeli law and Jewish tradition" "As the Israel Reform Movement legal division, IRAC champions public advocacy and legal counsel to fight discrimination among marginalized groups of Israeli society." "IRAC is our collective Jewish identity in action in Israel." This is a group that fights for immigrant, women, gay rights, and more, including support of the many ways to be

Jewish. They fight for all Israelis, not just Jewish Israelis. They are currently conducting an aggressive letter writing campaign.

ARZA, Association of Reform Zionists of America

<https://arza.org/>

"We believe that a Jewish state must be a democratic state that celebrates the pluralism of Jewish practice and identity. We celebrate the notion of K'lal Yisrael, the unity of the Jewish people. We seek to integrate Jewish tradition into the realities of the modern world, believing in individuals' right to shape their own Jewish identity and way of life."

Shalom Hartman Institute of North America

https://hartman.org.il/NA_index.asp

"The Shalom Hartman Institute is a leading center of Jewish thought and education, serving Israel and North America. Our mission is to strengthen Jewish peoplehood, identity, and pluralism; to enhance the Jewish and democratic character of Israel; and to ensure that Judaism is a compelling force for good in the 21st century."

<https://www.hartman.org.il/an-open-letter-to-israels-friends-in-north-america/>

WUPJ, World Union for Progressive Judaism

<https://wupj.org/about-us/>

"The World Union for Progressive Judaism (WUPJ), established in London in 1926, is the international network of the Reform, Liberal, Progressive and Reconstructionist movements, serving an estimated 1.8 million members worldwide in more than 1,250 congregations in over 50 countries."

"Progressive Judaism extends the scope of religious observance by granting full equality to all Jews, irrespective of gender and sexual orientation, while championing the values of the ancient Hebrew Prophets, calling for justice, equality and commitment to peace."

As a Jewish person who cares about Israel, and I hope that we all do, please check out these different groups. This is just a sampling of organizations. My list could have been at least twice as long. Explore how you can be involved in influencing Israel to be The Hope/The Promise of a democratic homeland for the Jewish people. Don't ever give up on Israel, no matter what you believe. Please let me know what you think at president@tilb.org. Don't give up!!





STRATEGIC PLANNING HAS BEGUN

By Rick Burney, Strategic Planning Chairperson

Temple Israel strives to remain vibrant and relevant while honoring our traditions. To accomplish this, we must regularly evaluate who we are, where we see ourselves in the near future, and how best to stay true to our mission, vision, and values. Our past few years have included many transitions. We now have a great opportunity to establish how best to harness our resources and energies and forge a path that is exciting and meets the needs of our wonderful congregational family. A successful strategic planning process enables us to do so.

In January of 2023, a new Strategic Planning Committee was established to develop the next iteration of our strategic plan. An experienced consultant, David Levy, has been hired and already has helped to guide the work that we must do. In order to include the input of all our stakeholders (congregants, lay leaders, clergy and other staff) we will be holding focus groups and interviews as a mechanism to gather information. It will be impossible, of course, to meet with every congregant and complete this work within our established timeframe (by autumn 2023). However, we very much want to make sure your voice is included in this process. As such, if you have any questions, or would like to share your thoughts regarding this important project, please feel free to reach out to us at StrategicPlanning@tilb.org. Moving forward, we will be providing updates to the congregation as to status and progress and also plan to hold at least one town hall that will be focused on strategic planning.

We thank you very much for your participation.



NOE SANTANA

Our Keshher teens have been very busy recently! We've continued to build our temple community through recent events. Our 8th graders went on a trip to New York and had an incredible time seeing the sites, learning about the Jewish experience, and having fun together. Eleven of our 9th - 12th graders went to the Religious Action Center's L'taken Social Justice Seminar in Washington, D.C. where they learned and lobbied for social justice issues they are passionate about. All of our ANDI Board as well as other Keshher teens went to the NFTY West Coast Party in Santa Rosa! Through all of these events, our teens have been able to expand their knowledge, meet like-minded individuals, and grow their current relationships with each other. Our Keshher Purim shpiel was a great success. Heartfelt thanks to our writer and director Sadie Brown and the entire cast for creating such a special program for our Torah Center families and beyond. Although we've been so busy through these first few months of 2023, there's much more to look forward to! We have our teen track at the congregational retreat from March 31st to April 2nd, and our NFTY SoCal teen retreat is from April 14th-16th.



PURIM MEGILLAH READING

Followed by Teen Shpiel Teaser

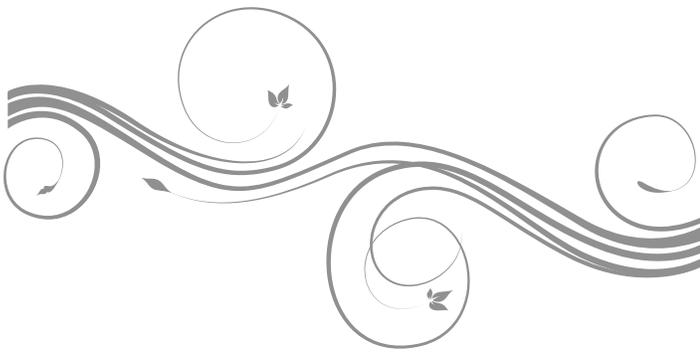
Saturday, March 4
before Adult Shpiel



SHREK THE MUSICAL

PURIM IN THE SWAMP

Torah Center Purim Celebration
Sunday, March 5 at 11:00 am





SHOWING APPRECIATION TO
OUR SISTERHOOD MEMBERS

*Our Annual
Complimentary
Temple Israel Sisterhood
Brunch*

IS ONCE AGAIN BEING HELD
AT OUR TEMPLE!
Sunday, April 23, 2023
12:30 pm

Entertainment
Cantor Kelly Cooper will entertain us
with Broadway Show Tunes

Door Prizes

Brunch is NO COST for Sisterhood members
in good standing

Non-members...for \$36 you can join our Temple Sisterhood
at the Brunch and your afternoon will be free of charge!

**RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED
NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, APRIL 14TH**

Please RSVP to
Peggy Brady peggybrady1@dslextre.me
Debi Felsenthal djfelsenthal@earthlink.net

**WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO
A WONDERFUL AFTERNOON!**



**YOM HASHOAH
HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY
IS APRIL 17**

Watch for a mailer this month containing
your own Yom HaShoah candle.
Please support this fundraiser with your
donations to the Temple Israel Sisterhood.

Let's all share the light together.



**THE SISTERHOOD
GIFT SHOP**



The Gift Shop is open
during Torah Center hours,
Sundays, from 9:30 am - 12:00 pm
Wednesdays, from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm



It will also be open by appointment.
Contact Elyse at (562) 429-8626



UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 28 - Shabbat Sharsheret
- June 4 at 1:00 pm - Flower Arranging
- June 11 - Jews in American History by the Braid in partnership with Joys of Jewish Learning
- TBD - Bingo/Game Day



*Ladies of Temple Israel,
join the fun...join the Sisterhood Board!*

We're looking for a few new members for the 2023-24 Board.
If interested, please contact Renee Florsheim
raflosheim@yahoo.com or Robin Lilien robinlilien@earthlink.net



SAVE THE DATE

**PLEASE JOIN FAMILY AND FRIENDS
TEMPLE ISRAEL LONG BEACH
TO SALUTE**

30 YEARS

OF PUBLIC SERVICE

UPON HIS RETIREMENT

U.S. REP. ALAN LOWENTHAL

**SUNDAY,
MARCH 12**

3:00 to 5:00PM

**RANCHO LOS
ALAMITOS**

*6400 East Bixby Hill Road,
Long Beach*

RSVP

*562-981-2111
genelle.buchert@gmail.com*





KOL M'YISRAEL / A VOICE FROM ISRAEL

By Jeremy Rosen



I came here to be a sojourner, a temporary resident simply gaining a taste of the ancestral homeland. But to simply visit a place so deep in the blood proved impossible, and the land captured my heart, and my future. The question of “How long?” transformed from six months into perhaps forever. I think it’s obvious to anyone reading previous columns feel my love for this place.

One word hangs in the mouths of the people, blanketing the country in a despair, heard on the news and written in the headlines, shouted in the streets and discussed on the trains, debated at the lunchroom and whispered in the cafés, obsessed on in the waking hours and nightmares of the sleeping ones: “Reform.” For the first time in two millennia, the Jewish people have regained sovereignty by realizing the State of Israel. We, as a people, have lived thousands of years in countries without rights and without liberty, living under brutal dictatorships who have oppressed us for political expediency. Every year at Passover, the deadline for “Phase I” of the reforms, we are commanded to think as if all of us lived under Pharaoh’s rule, and that all of us were delivered from slavery. Metaphorical, yes; but also literal, as we list all the nations in which the Jews lived under oppression. My heart breaks as the nation races headlong into dictatorship, pushing relentlessly ahead the destruction of the judiciary, the destruction of the protection of any rights, and the concentration of power into the hands of criminals and Jewish supremacists. I cannot get the image out of my head of Natalie Portman, an Israeli Jewish actress, portraying Padmé Amidala in Star Wars: Episode III, declaring “So this is how liberty dies—with thunderous applause.”

While the ground shakes and darkness shrouds, the Knesset passes their agenda, and my own faith begins to feel eroded. As a gay man, as a liberal, as a Reform Jew, as an educated person, as a believer in peace, as a Democrat, the government has declared me their enemy. The government, led by and advised by people who spend all their days studying the Torah, versus me, who has never read the text in its whole. This government, whose supporters tears down Israeli flags on the Knesset floor, who posts yellow stars on businesses who support the protest, who attack Torah bearers for being of the “wrong” kind. How can their version of Judaism and their agenda be so adversarial to everything I believe in, to all the values and lessons of Judaism that I learned at synagogue, at camp, and at home, and still be Judaism: To respect all people, for we were all created in God’s image; Tikkun Olam, to build a new Garden of Eden; To love your neighbor as yourself; To question and to learn, for we are Israel; Pikuach neffesh, for each life is a whole world.

With each passing reading in the Knesset, the aptness of the word sojourner returns.

Presented by JNF-USA, in partnership with Jewish Long Beach & Alpert JCC, Temple Israel, and Shul by the Shore

Israel’s Desert Magic

with **Hanni Arnon**
Executive Director of AICAT

Wednesday | March 22 | 6 PM | Free

Attend a FREE lecture with **Hanni Arnon**, Executive Director of AICAT (Arava International Center for Agricultural Training). Refreshments and Kosher Nosh will be provided.



SCAN ME



AICAT is a JNF-USA (Jewish National Fund) funded environmental & agricultural program that encompasses both education and advocacy. AICAT imparts professional agricultural knowledge and skills to students from developing countries while establishing itself as a national and international leading authority in sophisticated arid lands agricultural studies and training.

For more information, contact Amy Lakin at alakin@jewishlongbeach.org

Visit alpertjcc.org/desert-magic or scan to RSVP



JEWISH LONG BEACH & ALPERT JCC
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WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Discussing the book,
Becoming Eve by Abbie Chava Stein

Wednesday, March 8 at 7:00 pm (Zoom Only)



The powerful coming-of-age story of an ultra-Orthodox child who was born to become a rabbinic leader and instead became a woman.

Abby Stein was raised in a Hasidic Jewish community in Brooklyn, isolated in a culture that lives according to the laws and practices of eighteenth-century Eastern Europe, speaking only Yiddish and Hebrew and shunning modern life. Stein was born as the first son in a dynastic rabbinical family, poised to

become a leader of the next generation of Hasidic Jews.

But Abby felt certain at a young age that she was a girl. She suppressed her desire for a new body while looking for answers wherever she could find them, from forbidden religious texts to smuggled secular examinations of faith. Finally, she orchestrated a personal exodus from ultra-Orthodox manhood to mainstream femininity—a radical choice that forced her to leave her home, her family, her way of life.

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87285748108>

JOYS OF JEWISH LEARNING

WOMEN'S PATH TO THE CANTORATE

Thursdays at 7:00 pm
March 23 and 30

Teacher: Cantor Kelly Cooper

From Miriam to Barbara Ostfeld, we will trace the path that women took to get to the bimah in this two-class course. We will explore the environment that allowed Jewish women to finally have their voices heard including the influence of Yiddish theater and vaudeville. Finally, we will learn about the chazantes, women who sang chazzanut, forbidden cantorial music, further opening the door for women to enter the cantoriate.



NEW TESTAMENT STUDY FROM A JEWISH POINT OF VIEW

Mondays at 9:45 am (Zoom Only)
Facilitator: Jo Ann Schneider Farris

Jews and Christians read the same stories differently. Explore and discuss the New Testament from a Jewish perspective and learn more about the Jewish roots of Christianity. Currently going through the book of Hebrews.

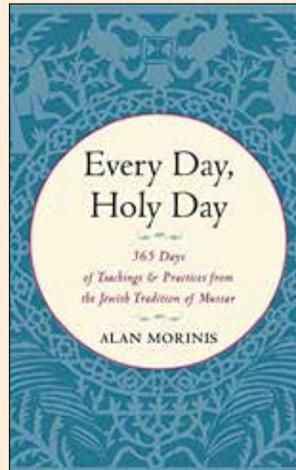
Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82285979629>



MUSSAR STUDY GROUP

Every Other Wednesday at 9:45 am
March 1, 15, and 29
(Zoom Only)

Facilitator: Trish Goldin



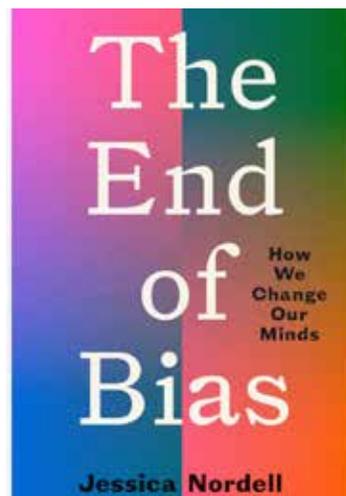
Mussar is a system of introspective practices that can help you identify and break through the obstacles to your inherent holiness, using methods that are easy to integrate into daily life. The program laid out in the book *Every Day, Holy Day* by Alan Morinis focuses on 26 traits (middot) - such as loving-kindness, strength, generosity, compassion, honor, and equanimity - each of which takes center stage for a week of contemplation and exercises, in order to develop and refine

that quality in yourself. Our study group meets every other Wednesday morning to work on one or more Mussar soul traits. Come join us!

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/s/988492918>

SOCIAL JUSTICE MULTI-MEDIA GROUP

Sunday, March 26 at 7:00 pm
(Group Meets on Zoom)



Discussing the book, *The End of Bias* by Jessica Nordell. A transformative, groundbreaking exploration into how we can eradicate unintentional bias and discrimination, the great challenge of our age.

On Sunday, April 9 at 7:00 pm, via zoom, meet to discuss *Goodbye Columbus* (available on Vudu, Prime and Apple).

To participate, email Jared Goldin
jalangoldin@gmail.com

JOYS OF JEWISH LEARNING

PURIM EXPERIENCE AT CONGREGATION LUBAVITCH OF LONG BEACH

Monday, March 6 at 6:15 pm



As Temple Israel will be celebrating Purim the weekend of March 4-5, we are going on a fun, memorable Purim adventure to celebrate with our Orthodox friends at Chabad of Long Beach. If you've never been to an Orthodox Purim celebration, you're in for a great time!

HISTORY OF JEWISH CANDY

Sunday, March 19 at 2:00 pm

Teacher: Janet Liss,
long-time Hebrew instructor and congregant

Come explore the link between candy and Jewish memory. Bring your sweet tooth! **Cost: \$5 per person**



PRAYER 101:

L'cha Dodi

Friday, March 10 at 6:00 pm (before Services)

Teacher: Cantor Kelly Cooper



In these prayer classes, we will dive deeper into the meaning of each prayer that we study. We will translate them, study their origins, and explore various interpretations, including our own. When you re-approach these prayers in our liturgy during services, they will likely be even more meaningful to you.

PLEASE RSVP FOR ALL JJL PROGRAMS TO CHARMAINE clw@tilb.org

PARENTING STRATEGIES 101:

What Do I Do Now?

Sunday, March 12 at 9:45 am

Facilitator: Judy Blumenthal, *Temple Israel Torah Center's Learning and Behavior Specialist*

Join us for this helpful session and learn strategies to motivate your child using meaningful rewards and consequences.

MODERN, MESSY, AND MEANINGFUL:

Looking Back 100 years at Reform Judaism in America in order to look forward

Thursday, March 16 at 7:00 pm

Teacher: Jared Goldin, *Temple Israel Board Member*



Modern: A brief synopsis of the history of Reform Judaism from 1796-1920.

Messy: How, in the words of Eric Yoffie (President emeritus of the URJ), Reform Judaism has been "necessarily messy" during the past century.

Meaningful: How our search for individual and communal lives of meaning defines and drives the current state of Reform Judaism in America (and our relationship with the State of Israel) and gives us a window into what may lie ahead.

JEWISH COOKING IN AMERICA SESSION TWO:

A Classic American Passover

Tuesday, March 21 at 7:00 pm

Teacher: Eve Lunt,
Torah Center Teacher and long-time congregant

We'll be making and eating the Jewish classics here, folks - chopped liver, gefilte fish, and potato kugel. Bring your appetite and chopping skills (and maybe your stretchy pants). We'll supply the schmaltz.

Cost: \$15 per person





Shabbat at home

FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2023

Shabbat at Home is a unique program that gives us an opportunity for our Temple Israel family to share the joys of Shabbat with a potluck dinner in the warmth of congregants' homes.

How you can participate in "Shabbat At Home"

BE A HOST: Please know that you are performing a Mitzvah by welcoming other congregants into your home. All you have to do is to provide the table settings; your guests will bring dinner.

Temple Israel will provide to you a list of your guests and their contact information, sample menus, some helpful hints for celebrating Shabbat in your home.

Please indicate your willingness to host by emailing Charmaine clw@tilb.org on or before **Thursday, March 2**

BE A GUEST: If you prefer to participate in this wonderful program by providing a portion of the Shabbat meal and attending as a guest, please complete and return the bottom of this form to Temple Israel on or before **Thursday, March 2**



Yes, I would like to participate by attending as a guest in another congregant's home. I will bring the portion of the potluck meal assigned to me.

- _____ adults will be attending,
- _____ children will be attending, whose ages are _____
- One or more of us is allergic to pets: _____
(this information is needed for matching guests to hosts)
- Special needs. Please explain _____

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- I am able to offer a ride for _____ additional passengers.
(in addition to me and my family)
- I will need a ride.

Temple Israel's Joys of Jewish Learning Program welcomes

Pilger Scholar-in-Residence

RABBI LAURA NOVAK WINER

Director of the Master of Educational Leadership
Program at the Hebrew Union College

*Generously sponsored by the
Temple Israel Foundation's Pilger Fund*

Friday, March 24 - Sunday, March 26

Friday:

7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

The Pursuit of Justice and Healing: Navigating #MeToo,
Cancel Culture, and Shifting Mores

Saturday:

8:45 am Torah Study

Parashat Vayikra: Offering Our Best Selves

11:30 am Lunch and Learn

Reformers and Rabble Rousers:

Fifty Years of Women in the Rabbinate

\$18 per person, RSVP by Wednesday, March 22 to clw@tilb.org

Sunday:

10:00 am Learning and Discussion

Reform Roots and Resolve in
the Reproductive Justice Movement



**Rabbi Dr.
Laura Novak Winer**

Rabbi Laura Novak Winer is the Director of the Master of Educational Leadership program at the Hebrew Union College's Rhea Hirsch School of Education in Los Angeles. Laura has worked in and with a variety of afternoon school settings and her current research foci are Israel education and

the supplementary school. She currently serves as the co-chair of HUC-JIR's Teshuvah Working Group; its mission is to address the individual and institutional misconduct of the past in order to bring healing to those who were harmed by harassment, discrimination, and other forms of misconduct at the College-Institute and meet the College-Institute's obligations as a Jewish institution. Laura has been published in a variety of academic and online journals, is a regular contributor to Moment Magazine's "Ask the Rabbis" column, and was the editor of several curricula, including Sacred Choices: Adolescent Relationships and Sexual Ethics (2005 and 2007). Laura is a past president of the Association of Reform Jewish Educators.

SAVE THE DATE



**Temple Israel's
Annual Gala
Saturday, June 10**
Appetizers, Dinner,
Auction and Entertainment



SHABBAT MIDBAR

WITH RABBI FOX

AND CANTOR COOPER

at El Dorado Nature Center

Saturday, March 4

*(This new program will be offered the first Saturday
of every month through June)*

Meeting at the grass area picnic tables
at the rear of the parking lot

Torah Study at 8:45 am

Hike and Meditation 10:00 am



Senior Shabbat and Luncheon

Saturday, March 25 at 11:00 am
at The Alpert JCC

Led by Temple Israel Clergy
followed by Luncheon and Entertainment

Entertainment funded by
Temple Israel's Sarah & Wolli Kaelter
Sabbath Fellowship Fund

OUR 8TH GRADE CLASS - 2023 NEW YORK TRIP - FEBRUARY 16-20



March Anniversaries

- 1 David & Susan Philips - 43 years
- 4 Bruce & Michelle Baral - 35 years
- 13 Naomi & Lilly Rosen - 3 years
- 17 David & Judith Ross - 55 years
- 18 Sean Hogan & Dina Friedman - 18 years
- 21 Dylan Cherin & Paula Jamison - 26 years
Dennis & Lea Gerber - 31 years
- 22 Al & Ruth Rudis - 54 years
- 23 Marvin Zamost & Linda Haley - 27 years
Douglas & Rebecca Cringean - 8 years
- 24 David & Irene Leib - 46 years
Sheryl Stahl & Jane Withrow-Stahl - 39 years
- 25 Timothy & Sarah Redondo - 16 years
- 26 Art Lim & Dawn Haldane - 28 years
- 29 Russell Berman & Linda Ackermann-Berman - 25 years
Brian Rosenberger & Marci Melnick - 8 years
- 31 Timothy & Hannah Bullock - 11 years



SOUTH COAST DISTRICT COUNCIL

70th Annual Assembly: **VOICES IN HARMONY**

Spotlight Awards, Dinner, Fellowship & Business Meeting

Thursday, March 9, 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Keynote Address:

Charles Dickerson

Founder, Artistic Director and Conductor of the Inner City Youth Orchestra of Los Angeles

SPOTLIGHT AWARD HONOREES

Faith Leader: *Pastor Kristin Sutrave*, Rolling Hills United Methodist Church
 Woman: *Elena Meloni*, New Star Family Justice Ctr.
 Man: *Victor Thompson*, National Pacific Islander Education Network
 Youth: *Melody McCants*, Baha'i Faith Community of Long Beach
 Sage: *Dale Whitney*, First Congregational Church of Long Beach

Location:

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3701 Elm Ave., Long Beach
Cost: \$40 (dinner included)

Register here: <https://bit.ly/SCIC70AnnualAssembly>

RSVP Due: March 5

SPECIAL SERVICE PROJECT OPPORTUNITY

The SCIC is partnering with Community Outreach in Action and collecting the following items to help the underserved. We invite you to bring any of the following things with you to donate at the Annual Assembly! Diapers for kids (sizes 4,5,6) & adults (sizes xl, 2xl, 3xl), Paper plates & cups, Travel size personal hygiene items, Men's clothes & shoes, Boxes of cold cereal.



WE RECOGNIZE THE GENEROSITY OF OUR SUSTAINING MEMBERS

LIFE MEMBERS

Julie Alban
Reva Alban
Jack & Binnie Berro
Jean Feldman
Ronald & Sylvia Hartman
David Tillman & Karen Zoller

RABBI'S CIRCLE

Richard and Amy Lipeles
Howard and Karen Ort

TEMPLE DOME

Mark Beizer &
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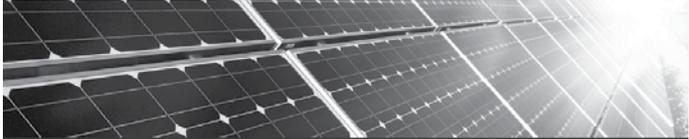
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