

Hello Temple Sinai!

Thank you to everyone who came out to our open house and **Rock Shabbat**, our the Shavu'ot evening of study (**Tikun Leil Shavu'ot**) with OZ, and to **Shavu'ot Morning** services. Your support and engagement is deeply appreciated. And thanks to OZ for organizing, hosting and for the delicious cheesecake oneg.

Sign up by tomorrow for our afternoon of service as the **Ronald McDonald House** on June 19 from 2-5. See the website for details, or my earlier email.

Next weekend, we have two fun events on top of services :

- ❖ Back by popular demand, on Saturday evening, we'll be having a campfire **Songs, Schmooze and S'mores**. Bring chairs or blankets, bug spray, instruments, and any food you want to grill on our new grill (no pork/shellfish) and we'll sing familiar songs in English and Hebrew. Bring your own songs to share. A fun evening outside around the fire.
- ❖ **SALSA Class**. On Sunday afternoon, June 23, from 4-6, we will get a salsa lesson, demonstration and practice with teachers from DSantos VT. Go to the newsletter or website to RSVP.

And the **raised beds for our community gardens** will be arriving by the end of the month. We will use them as part of the school, and to give vegetables to those in need, and for members who don't have space for a garden to come and get your hands dirty. I'll let you know when the dirt and all arrives and it is time to get it done.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

FRIDAY NIGHT, 6:30pm—PreOneg begins at 5:30

This Friday night we will have our standard energetic song-filled Kabbalat Shabbat, and there will still be daylight left when we're done!

SATURDAY MORNING, 9:30am—Shacharit Service

Start your day off by stepping into sacred space. Our one-hour morning service is more traditional than our Friday night service, chanted mostly in Hebrew, and includes both traditional tunes and newer music. Weather permitting, we will have services in the back yard. It is a great way to become familiar with and relax into the core spiritual practice of our tradition. All are welcome.

SATURDAY MORNING, 10:30am—Torah Studay **PARASHAT NASO**

Our Torah Study is inclusive and discussion-centered, where we endeavor to understand the Torah portion of the week, and relate it to the issues of the day and the issues in our lives as modern people. Join our vibrant group of people for a intellectual and spiritual reflection and exchange of ideas.

This week we will study **Parashat Naso**. (*Click for URJ's Page on this Torah Portion, with modern commentary.*) Numbers 4:21-7:89. Click [here for Parshat Naso](#) at Sefaria with clickable commentary. Naso is the portion that includes the famous threefold Priestly blessings (May Adonai Bless and Keep you...). It also includes the very disturbing ritual of the **SOTA**, or the trial by ordeal of any woman whose husband becomes jealous that she has been unfaithful. It is a fascinating glimpse into ancient religious practices and the dangers of patriarchal sexism. Naso also includes the description of the **NAZIRITE VOWS**, a fascinating practice in ancient Israel whereby one could take vows to be especially observant, a concept with strong relevance to us as modern people.

I look forward to seeing you!