

Hello Temple Sinai –

Bonjour from Toulouse, France! Tim and I are here for a week relaxing, recovering from the holiday marathon, eating French food, and soaking in the culture of Lanquedoc. Fortunately, Temple Sinai has a deep “bench” of people who can more than cover for me. The details are in the services below, but a hardy thanks to them for always stepping up to serve.

Here are some things I want you to be aware of:

1. **TORAH STORY** led by Saragail Benjamin for our young children and their families will be held THIS SUNDAY at 10:00am.
2. **[INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM COURSE STARTS THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3](#)** (more information below)
3. **SAVE-THE-DATE**
 - a. **SOCIAL ACTION SHABBAT WITH SPECIAL PRESENTATION** on **NOVEMBER 8** by our member **JAN KLINE** on her experiences serving on a *medical relief team this summer in GAZA*.
 - b. **ANNUAL MEETING** on **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17** with breakfast beginning at 9:15am and the Business Meeting beginning at 10:00am. Materials were sent out to all members in an email blast on Monday, October 28. Please contact the Temple Office if you did not receive this email.
4. **[THREE-SQUARE VERMONT CHALLENGE](#)**. Sponsored by HUNGER FREE VERMONT, this challenge asks people to try and eat for a week on what people living on food stamps in Vermont receive. We are asking members and friends of Temple Sinai to consider taking this challenge. (More info below)

SHABBAT SERVICES

FOLK SHABBAT

Friday, Friday, November 1 — 6:30pm

Join our folk musicians for a joyous song-filled service, led by Mark Leopold. Oneg to follow.

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES

Saturday, November 2 — 9:30am

A one-hour, peaceful chanted service, mostly in Hebrew, with a focus on the “greatest hits” of Shabbat Shacharit services, a great way to get to know the service and start your day. This week the service will be led by Bruce Chalmer.

TORAH STUDY – PARASHAT

Saturday, November 2 — 10:30am

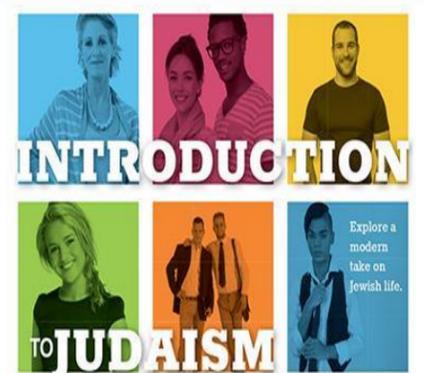
In Torah, we begin the book of GENESIS [with Parashat Noach \(Genesis 6:9-11:32\)](#) (Click for URI’s Page on this Torah Portion, with modern commentary.) Click here for [Parashat Noach at Sefaria](#) with clickable commentary. (Just click on any verse and a list of commentary options opens up on the left). Our study this week will be led by Bruce Hicken.

INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM COURSE with Rabbi Edleson

Starts This Sunday, Nov 3! 4-6 pm

Register through the Union of Reform Judaism online—link below

This course given in 12 sessions, mostly on Sunday afternoons (still time for a good ski!) is perfect for those interested in learning more about Judaism from a Reform perspective. Dating someone Jewish? Thinking of converting? Jewish but not raised with much information? This is the class for you! [Click here to register!](#)



3SquaresVT

3SQUARES VERMONT CHALLENGE November 15-22

Temple Sinai and our Social Action Committee is challenging our members to take the 3Squares Vermont Challenge to eat for a week (or a day) on the average benefit received by Vermonters who receive food assistance. For one person, that is **\$37 a week**. We are doing this as we near Thanksgiving, to help us better understand what our neighbors and members on this program face in regard to food insecurity. We will also have a journals and a “Simple Meal” to conclude and reflect before Shabbat services on Nov 22. Click for more information and to register (be sure to say you are from Temple Sinai!): <https://www.hungerfreevt.org/3squaresvt-challenge>