

Hello Temple Sinai!

Tim and I had a great trip to Israel, including a very rowdy birthday party for Tim at the outstanding Machneyuda Restaurant. It is good to be back, and we have a lot going on at Temple Sinai in the next few weeks, so I hope **THE LIST I HAVE ADDED TO THE END OF THIS EMAIL** helps you keep up with all we are doing.

PURIM is coming up (we are celebrating on March 14) and we need some of you to help us tell the story of Esther. We are asking individuals or small groups to come up with a fun way to read /perform one of the chapters. You can read, act out, use puppets, props, charades- you name it! to share the *whole megillah!* We will make groggers, have games for all ages, then a festive dinner with theater of the Megillah. Dessert and dancing to follow.

And please - **VOTE in the World Zionist Congress Election**. I ask you to seriously consider voting Reform, but read the platforms and choose for yourself. This is your chance to influence policy in Israel so please vote.



I also want to let you know that I am PROUD to be taking a group of six young people to AIPAC's Policy Conference next week. Especially given some of the recent remarks by Senator Sanders and others about AIPAC, I want to be clear that while I don't agree with everything I hear at AIPAC, I support the important work it does, and strongly disagree with the characterization of AIPAC's work from people who seem never to have attended. [Here is a link to a letter](#) signed by hundreds of my colleagues (including Rabbi Glazier) that expresses my views (I was travelling from Israel and didn't get to sign the letter in time). I am taking a group because I think showing young people the power of solidarity and organizing across differences is deeply valuable. It also gives them first hand experience at meeting their congressional representatives and participating actively in the democratic process. I trust our young people to be able to listen to contrasting points of view and think for themselves. All in all, AIPAC is a powerful educational experience and I'm proud to be able, with support from a generous donor, to take a group each year. Now for some upcoming events -





YOUNG FAMILIES PURIM PARTY!

Saturday, March 7 4-6 PM

Temple Sinai VT
500 Swift St, So. Burlington, VT 05403

**Costumes! Masks!
Kings, Queens, Villains!**

We'll sing, dance, and have a costume parade!
We'll make puppets and tell the story of Purim!

Followed by Havdalah & our usual put-luck.
Please bring a dish to share, we'll bring the hamantaschen!

Everybody wear a costume! Grown-ups, too!



Program leader: Saragail Benjamin

Program co-sponsored





PURIM: A STORYTELLER'S COMEDY SHOW
Saturday. March 14. 6pm. Temple Sinai.

WE NEED FUN STORYTELLERS!

The Scroll of Esther is 10 Chapters, each action packed, and we want you to step up and take one chapter and tell it to us in any way you like. Make it your own. Get together with friends, get your family and kids to act out the parts, use radio show noise effects, write a song; use charades for key words, or just read the story: it is funny and dramatic all on its own. We need 9 NINE groups or individuals to take a chapter; we'll read the 10th together.

Email administrator@templesinaivt.org with "Purim Storyteller" in the subject line. If you want a particular chapter, mention that, but we will have to do our best to distribute the chapters so it is covered. This will be done as "dinner theater" or "Moth style" as we have our meal together groggers in hand.

SAVE THE DATE: PURIM SATURDAY MARCH 14 6 PM

Fun for all ages

6 PM - APPETIZERS, GAMES, GROGGER-MAKING, DRINKS

- Play Gaga, Twister or other games; Make your own noise-maker

7 PM - FESTIVE DINNER

- Kids' Parade of Costumes with prizes!
- Adult Parade of Costumes with prizes!
- TELLING OF OF BOOK OF ESTHER

8 PM - DESSERT AND DANCING.

We'll have dessert and a short dance party in the Sanctuary with the new sound system. Fun Israeli and US Dance hits.



JEWISH JOURNEYS: Film Series

Sunday, March 15, 2020 – 2:00 pm: The Interpreter (2018)



Two old men weighed down by their unresolved conflicts during the Holocaust take a road trip. Set in the Czech Republic, this award-winning film addresses a profound reality about our relationship to history. English subtitles.

Chittenden Asylum Seekers Assistance Network

Informational Meeting

Welcoming People - One Family at a Time

Sunday, March 15th

2:00-4:00pm

**First Unitarian Universalist
Society of Burlington**

**152 Pearl St. Burlington,
VT 05401**



Fri	Feb 28	6:30 pm	Friday Night Services <i>SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA</i>. An annual national outreach Shabbat so a great time to invite friends to synagogue.
Sat	Feb 29	9:30 am	Shabbat Morning Services (one hour).
		10:30 am	Bagels and Torah Study Parashat Terumah
		5 pm	Seudah Shlishit CANCELLED
Fri	Mar 6	5:30 pm	Folk Shabbat and Third Grade Class Service and Dinner Dinner: 5:30 Service: 6:30
Sat	Mar 7	9:30 am	Installation of Cantor Steve Zeidenberg At Ohavi Zedek. We are cancelling our services so that we can show solidarity and support to Cantor Steve Zeidenberg at his installation at OZ.
		9:30 pm	CANCELLED Shabbat Morning Services (one hour).
		10:30 pm	CANCELLED Bagels and Torah Study Parashat T'tzaveh
		4-6 pm	Young Families Purim Party with Saragail Benjamin
		4 pm	B'nai Mitzvah Family Gathering
Fri	Mar 13	6:30 pm	SPECIAL SHABBAT WITH GOVERNOR MADELEINE KUNIN TO CELEBRATE OUR COMMUNITY'S HISTORY. Governor Kunin and the Friends of the Lost Mural are presenting Temple Sinai with a large print of the Lost Mural. This event will address the need to restore the Lost Mural and highlight its universal themes of immigration and freedom.
Sat	Mar 14	9:30 am	Shabbat Morning Services (one hour).
		10:30 am	Bagels and Torah Study Parashat Ki Tisa
		6 pm	PURIM: a STORYTELLER'S COMEDY SHOW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 – appetizers, games, grogger making • 7 – festive dinner with MEGILLAH, kids costume parade • 8- desert and dancing
Sun	Mar 16	2-4 pm	Jewish Film: THE INTERPRETER Main St. Landing
Fri	Mar 20	5:30 pm	TOT SHABBAT for Young Families with Saragail Benjamin
		6:30 pm	HIAS NATIONAL REFUGEE SHABBAT A very special national Shabbat from the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society. Oneg to follow.
Sat	Mar 21	9:30 am	Shabbat Morning Services (one hour).
		10:30 am	Bagels and Torah Study Parashat V'yakhel