

Joe BUCHANAN

AMERICANA WITH A JEWISH SOUL

"A tour de force in country music"



ROSH CHODESH ELUL FRIDAY AUG 21

SERVICE: 6:30 CONCERT: 7:30

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TEMPLE SINAI SERVICES AND EVENTS

Day	Date	Time	Description
Fri	8/14	6:30pm	KABBALAT SHABBAT with Rabbi Edleson. A festive Sinai-style Shabbat service. Link on website.
Sat	8/15	9:30 am	SHACHARIT SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE Our 1-hour more traditional service, mostly sung in Hebrew, but you don't need to know Hebrew to enjoy it.
Sat	8/15	10:30am -Noon	TORAH STUDY: R'EIH (<i>cntrl+ click for text, audio, and modern commentaries on the portion.</i>) Our Torah study combines scholarly and traditional commentary to find contemporary meaning in these ancient texts. This week: Was R'eih the first 'cancel culture'? Should we tear down statues?
Sat	8/15	9 pm	HAVDALAH on FACEBOOK LIVE Just go to Temple Sinai's Facebook page to join.
Sun	8/16	11am- 1pm	A TASTE OF JUDAISM – This free, 3-class Reform Movement program introduces participants to some key highlights of Jewish values, beliefs, practice and culture. This is great for Jews wanting to update their understanding of Judaism, or for people considering conversion, and for those just wanting to learn more. <u>REGISTER HERE</u>
Fri	8/21- 22	7:30 pm	NEXT SHABBAT - Shabbat/Rosh Hodesh ELUL Concert JOE BUCHANAN <i>Americana with a Jewish Soul</i> 

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Shalom Temple Sinai!

I'm back from vacation, and it was not a relaxing one. We had an almost-comic series of technology crashes, each occurring on different devices and at the worst possible moments. We've all been there - hours on the phone with auto-systems that then disconnect you, trips to the Verizon store, back on the phone with technical support, back to Verizon- and so it went and continues. I find that technology breakdowns turn me into a person I don't much like and that I'll have to repent for on Yom Kippur. Fortunately, it's soon.

Speaking of which, detailed information about the High Holy Days will be arriving in your email and mailbox in the next few days (mail permitting). We have a LOT planned to help us deepen our experience of the Holy Days despite COVID and ZOOM. We will combine shorter ZOOM services, with non-screen options, and alternative services. Elul, the month before Rosh HaShanah begins next week and with it, the season of reflection and penitence.

We will be starting Elul off with a concert on **Friday, Aug 21** by **JOE BUCHANAN**.

A Texas native, Joe Buchanan makes Jewish Americana music. Grounded in the idea that there is always room at the table, Joe's music highlights the values, Torah, and history of the Jewish people to deliver stories steeped in the struggle and triumph of the human spirit, all while praising God for the goodness in life.

Raised with one foot in Houston and one in the Texas Hill Country, Joe grew up asking questions about God. Despite a deep belief in a creator, he couldn't find much that he agreed with in what he was hearing. He never found his spiritual home until one day, about 13 years into his marriage, when Joe found out that his wife was Jewish. This discovery sent their family down a path that would lead them to embrace Jewish life. From the first conversion class to the mikvah and beyond, Judaism taught him that we are "Unbroken" - not damaged goods by any means, and this is the life that matters



because this is the one we've been given. Amen. Here is a [link to his website with videos, songs, etc](#):

Please tell your friends (and give them the Zoom passcode so they can get in!)

Shalom,

David