



TEMPLE SHAARAY TEFILA

ADULT & FAMILY PROGRAMS

2022-2023



Special Celebrations

Blessing of the Pets

Friday, October 28 @5:30pm

Bring your pet as we offer a blessing for our furry, feathered, fuzzy (and scaly too!) friends. We will be outside in the tent on 79th Street rain or shine.

Artist in Residence Weekend with Noah Aronson

Friday-Sunday, February 3-5

Join us for a weekend with renowned Jewish singer and songwriter, Noah Aronson.

Erev Shabbat Services - Friday, February 3 @6:15pm

Tot Shabbat - Saturday, February 4 @9:30am

Shabbat Torah Study - Saturday, February 4 @12:00pm

Family Concert - Sunday, February 5 @11:00am

Annual Purim Spiel & Carnival

Sunday, March 5, Spiel @10:00am, Carnival @11:00am

The annual Purim Spiel is guaranteed to make you laugh until your sides hurt, and our Purim Carnival has fun and games for children of all ages!

Cantors' Concert: From Broadway to Second Avenue

Sunday, March 12 @4:00pm

The Cantors' Concert is back! Join us for a wonderful concert of Broadway music featuring Cantor Todd Kipnis, cantorial intern Ella Gladstone Martin, and special guest cantors.

Women's Seder

Tuesday, March 28 @6:30pm

Join us for our annual celebratory, festive, and musical Women's Seder.

Annual Spring Gala

Wednesday, May 10

Our annual gala fundraiser celebrating our Temple Shaaray Tefila community.

Special Shabbat Services

Fridays, @6:15-7:45pm
at Temple Shaaray Tefila and online

Climate Justice Shabbat

October 14

Shabbat Chanukah w/Candle
Lighting & Congregational Dinner

December 16

MLK Shabbat

January 13

Shabbat Shira & Artist In Residence
Shabbat with Noah Aronson

February 3

Refugee Shabbat

March 10

Scholar in Residence Shabbat
with Rabbi Shmuly Yanklowitz

April 28

Reproductive Justice Shabbat

TBA

Pride Shabbat

TBA

Adult Learning

30 Mindful Minutes Toward Better Parenting, Partnering, and Friending with Rabbi Ross

Thursdays, October 20, 27, November 3, 10, 17 @10:00-10:30am

Online only. How to cultivate compassion and spaciousness in a world of mayhem. Deepen or jump start your Jewish meditation practice. Every Thursday, we will explore a *middah* (personal virtue/value) drawn from our Mussar tradition, sit in silence, and have a short period for reflections and questions.

Mindfulness and Meditation with Rabbi Mosbacher

Wednesdays, November 2, 16, 30 & December 7 @8:00-9:00am

In a busy world, it can be hard to slow down, get in touch with our inner lives, and be present for what is. Rabbi Mosbacher has been on his own three-year journey to develop these practices in his own life. Join him, even if you've never meditated before, as we explore these deeply Jewishly rooted practices.

Dish: Jewish Cuisine From Around the Globe with Rabbi Ross

Wednesday, November 9, Tuesday, December 13, & Wednesday, January 11 @6:30-8:00pm

This three-part series will include a nosh, an interview of sorts, and time for Q&A as we explore insanely delicious food you may have never eaten (or maybe not often enough!) from Jewish cultures around the world.

Jewish Music Documentary Series with Cantor Kipnis

Mondays, November 28 & December 5, @7:00-8:30pm

Join Cantor Kipnis for a documentary series and discussion on the changes in Jewish worship music.

November 28: *A Cantor's Tale*

A profile of renowned cantor and teacher, Cantor Jacob Mendelson, who is committed to preserving the traditional style of cantorial singing.

December 5: *A Journey of Spirit*

The film discusses the transformation of Reform Jewish music to a more contemporary folk style through the story of singer/songwriter, Debbie Friedman.

Adult Learning

The Prophetic Call to Justice with Rabbi Rubin

Tuesdays, January 10, 17, & 24 @7:00-8:00pm

We read from the Prophets in the Haftarah each week, but how much time have we actually spent studying the Prophets and their messages? In these three sessions, we will be studying the prophets Amos, Micah, and Isaiah, and learning how their call to justice can be particularly relevant in our lives today.

Provocative Podcasts Paired with Poignant (Jewish) Passages with Rabbi Ross

Thursdays, February 16, March 16, & April 20 @7:00-8:00pm

Online only. Drawing on the best from *This American Life*, *RadioLab*, *Hidden Brain*, and beyond, we will playfully bring these podcasts into conversation with accessible selections from ancient midrashic and/or talmudic concepts.

Jewish Ideas About God with Rabbi Mosbacher

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21, & April 4 @7:00-8:00pm

It's one of those topics that folks often avoid in polite company. But let's talk about God! We will explore our own faith, our own doubt, and the incredibly diverse set of classical Jewish views on God. If you feel deeply confident in your faith, if you're sure you don't believe in God, or anything in between, your perspectives are welcome here!

My Cup Runneth Over: An Exploration of Wine in Jewish Tradition

Wednesdays, March 8 & 22 @7:00-8:00pm

Join Rabbi Rubin for an exploration of wine in Jewish tradition paired with some of her all-time favorite wines. This l'chaim and learning session will be informative and great fun!

The same session is being offered on two different dates. Please sign up for one session only.

Adult Learning

There Must Be 50 Ways to Sing Hallelujah

Wednesdays, April 19 & 26 @7:00-8:30

Join congregant Robert Zorowitz, for an exploration of Jewish music through the ages and around the world.

Women in TaNaKh and Midrash with Rabbi Rubin

Tuesdays, May 2, 9 & 23 @6:30-7:30pm

When women were not given a voice in Torah, the rabbis of past and present filled in that voice with Midrash. These women have rich stories that can teach us a lot about our tradition and our own lives. With Rabbi Rubin, we will embark on a journey of getting to know the women in our sacred texts. All gender identities are welcome, and no Hebrew or Torah study experience is necessary to participate.

2022-2023 Temple Shaaray Tefila Book Club Dates:

@7:30-8:30pm, online

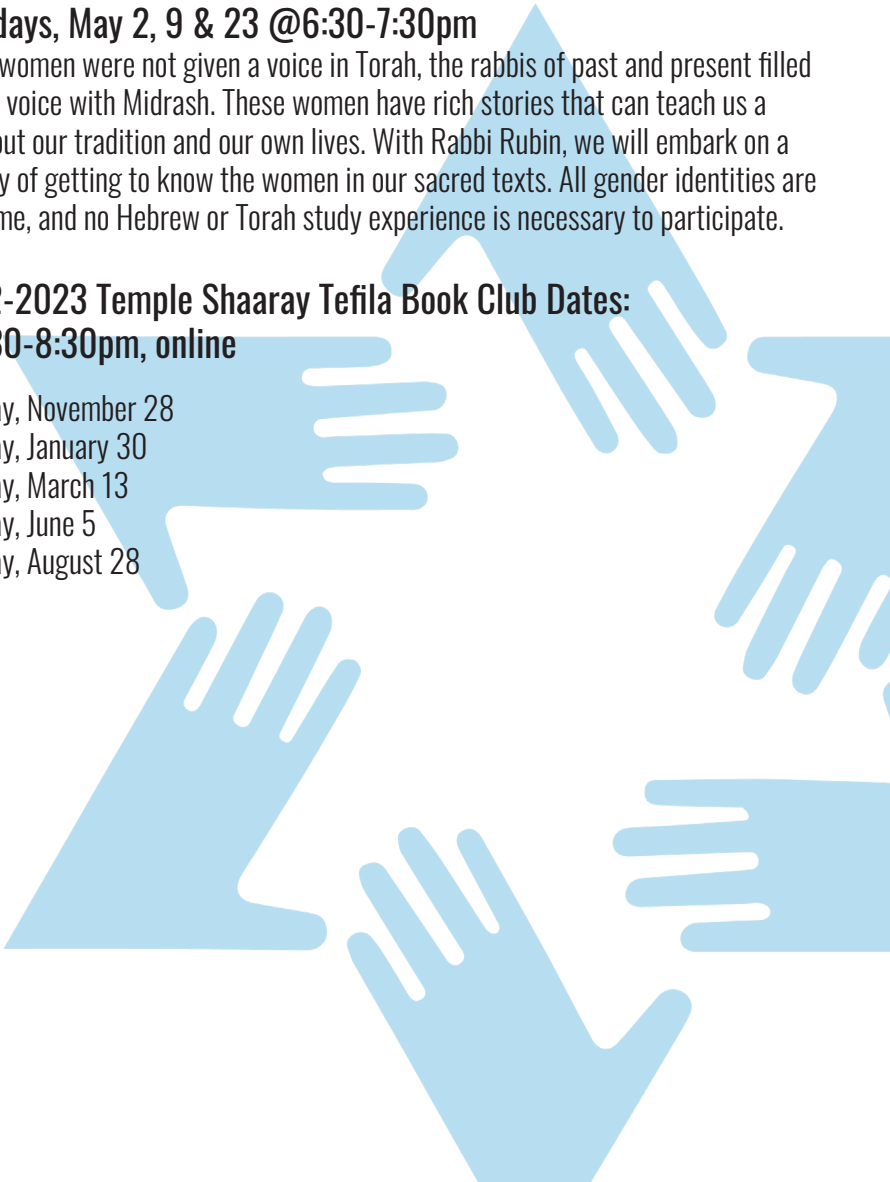
Monday, November 28

Monday, January 30

Monday, March 13

Monday, June 5

Monday, August 28



SHAARAY CIRCLES

Gather, Connect, Laugh, Explore

Informed by an overwhelming call for more opportunities to connect in a time of distance and isolation, we are launching **Shaaray Circles**, lay-led groups of about 8 Shaaray Tefila members who will meet once a month, 7-8 times between October 2022 and May 2023 (not a long term commitment!). This year, we will pilot two types of small groups which will create space for our members to come together in conversation and community. *Groups may meet in person or online.*

THE OPTIONS:

Open Circles (November 2022-May 2023)

Meets once a month with a focus on Jewish and secular holidays.

- Match me with 7 other members
- I want to organize a group of 8 participants

Passion Projects (October 2022-May 2023)

- Jews Talking: Long Form Articles
- Sunday Walking Group: Sundays in the Park Sans George
- Culinary Journeys: Israeli Restaurants Around the City
- Pirkei Avot: Exploring Old Pithy Texts for Deeper Meaning Today
- Developing A Meditation Practice

THE BUZZ from other congregations participating in similar efforts:

"Great opportunity to interact with fellow congregants on a deeper level! Thanks for organizing this."

"What I loved most was our group. I feel safe and cared for and was able to open up without fear of judgment. Thank you!"

"Intelligent discussions, learning other points of view, and the good feeling of being in a group of forward thinking friends!"

SIGN UP AND LEARN MORE: If you would like to sign up for a Passion Project group, form your own Open Circle, or join a group of friends to be, take a leap, join us, visit our website and register online! *Questions?* Contact Rabbi Jill Rubin at rabbijrubin@tstnyc.org.

Shaaray Tefila Social Club

“New Year” Party

Wednesday, October 12 @7:30-9:00pm

Join the Shaaray Tefila Social Club for a wonderful evening gathering to greet the new year 5783, introduce new people to our Social Club, and meet new clergy and temple staff.

Chanukah Party

Saturday, December 10 @7:00-10:00pm

Join the Shaaray Tefila Social Club for their annual Chanukah Party. Come together with both old friends and new, and have some fun.

MLK Shabbat Dinner

Friday, January 13 @7:45-9:45pm

Directly following the MLK Shabbat service, join the Shaaray Tefila Social Club for a special Shabbat dinner.

Havdalah and Progressive Dinner

Saturday, March 11 @6:00pm-???

Join the Social Club for an evening of community and the comforts of shared conversation and good food. The evening will begin at Temple Shaaray Tefila with Havdalah, schmoozing, and appetizers, followed by potluck dinners at members' homes. The evening will conclude with late night at a local bar/restaurant.

Raise the Roof(top) VI

Wednesday, June 7 @7:00-9:00pm

Join the Shaaray Tefila Social Club for our Sixth Annual Raise the Roof(top) party, our kick-off to the summer and an evening of drinks, dinner, conversation, and celebrating being together.



Men's Engagement

World Series Viewing Party at Doc Watson's

Wednesday, October 26 @7:00-10:00pm

Join Cantor Todd Kipnis and the men of Shaaray Tefila to watch a World Series game in the private beer garden at Doc Watson's.

The Latke Guys: Latke Making

Sunday, December 18 @9:00am

Come and join Cantor Kipnis and the men of Shaaray Tefila for their annual latke making marathon in celebration of Chanukah.

March Madness Watch Party at Doc Watson's

Thursday, March 23 @7:00-10:00pm

Join Cantor Kipnis and the men of Shaaray Tefila for all the excitement of March Madness basketball in the private beer garden at Doc Watson's.

Young Families (Children Ages 0-5)

Pizza in the Hut Young Families Sukkot Event
Wednesday, October 12 @5:00-7:00pm

Simchat Torah Celebration
Sunday, October 16

Pizza Dinner @4:30pm
Service and Celebration @5:15-7:15pm

Tot Chanukah Brunch
Saturday, December 10 @9:00-11:00am

Pajama Havdalah
Saturday, January 21 @4:30-6:00pm

Young Families Book Fair
Sunday, January 22 @8:00am-4:00pm

Tot Purim Carnival
Tuesday, March 7 @4:00-6:00pm

Tot Shabbat Dates:

Friday, November 4 @5:00pm

Friday, December 2 @5:00pm

Saturday, December 10 @9:00-11:00am - Tot Chanukah Brunch

Friday, January 6 @5:00pm

Saturday, January 21 @4:30-6:00pm - Pajama Havdalah

Saturday, February 4 @9:30am with Artist in Residence Noah Aronson

Friday, March 3 @5:00pm

Saturday, April 22 @9:30am

Friday, May 5 @5:15pm

Friday, June 2 @5:15pm



Family Programs

Pizza in the Hut Religious School Sukkot Event
Thursday, October 13 @5:00-7:00pm

Simchat Torah Celebration
Sunday, October 16

Pizza Dinner @4:30pm
Service and Celebration @5:15-7:15pm

Annual Purim Spiel and Carnival
Sunday, March 5

Purim Spiel @10:00-11:00am
Purim Carnival @11:00am-1:30pm

Shabbat Family Services & Dinner
Fridays @6:15-7:30pm

November 4 - Service & New Student Consecration
December 16
January 6
February 10
March 3
April 21

Young Parents

Young Parents Meet & Greet with Rabbi Rubin
Tuesday, November 8 @7:00-8:00pm

Young Parents Tu B'Shvat Wine Tasting
Tuesday, January 31 @7:00-8:30pm

Young Parents Social Event
Tuesday, March 21 @7:00-8:00pm

Special Holiday Programs

Pizza in the Hut Sukkot Events for Families

Families with children ages 0-5

Wednesday, October 12 @5:00-7:00pm

Families with children in grades K-12

Thursday, October 13 @5:00-7:00pm

Simchat Torah Celebration

Sunday, October 16

Pizza Dinner @4:30pm

Service and Celebration @5:15-7:15pm

Shabbat Chanukah w/Candle Lighting & Congregational Dinner

Friday, December 3 @6:15pm

Purim Spiel and Carnival

Sunday, March 5

Purim Spiel @10:00-11:00am

Purim Carnival @11:00am-1:30pm

Adult Megillah Reading

Monday, March 6 @6:30-8:00pm

Yom HaShoah Commemoration

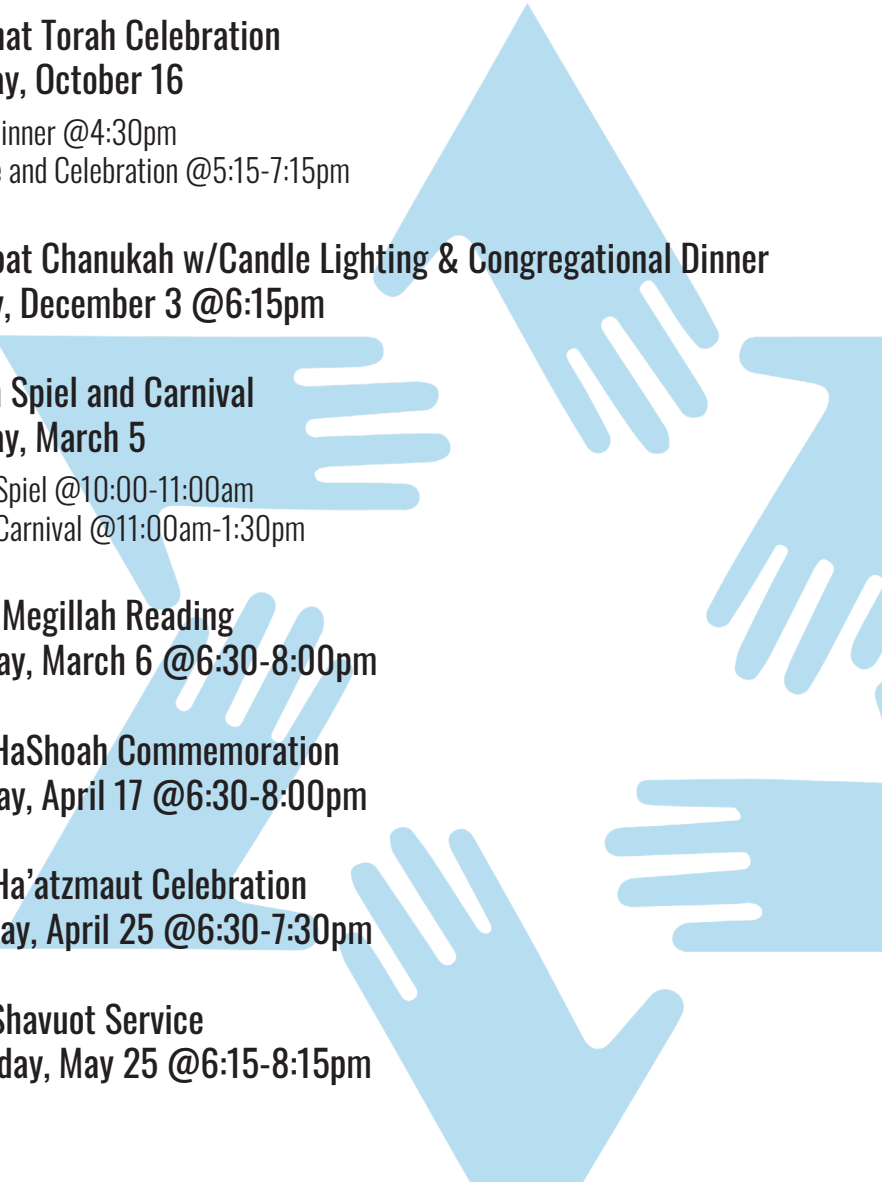
Monday, April 17 @6:30-8:00pm

Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebration

Tuesday, April 25 @6:30-7:30pm

Erev Shavuot Service

Thursday, May 25 @6:15-8:15pm





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We are a spiritual home to all who seek

MEANING • *Connection* • Purpose

rooted in Reform Jewish values and
animated by our commitment to each
other and the world.

This is just a taste of all we will have to offer
in the 2022-2023 programming year.

For more information about our programs,
please check our online calendar.

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shaaraytefilanyc.org



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