

# CHICAGO SINAI CONGREGATION

## Shabbat Information

**Friday, January 19, 2024**

Whether you are joining in-person, on our website, or on Zoom, we are so happy to celebrate Shabbat together.

*Services are led by Rabbi Weinberg and Rabbi Greene.*

*Music is led by Scott Kumer and Toby Pechner.*

Welcome to our guest speaker, **Rabbi Frederick Reeves, Director of Jewish Programs at One America Movement.**

**Torah Study | Saturday, January 20 | 9:30 AM**

*Led by Rabbi Weinberg.*



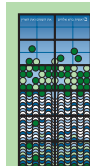
### Celebrate the **The Installation of Rabbi Rebecca Benoff** **Friday, January 26th at 6:15 PM**

Please join us as we formally welcome Rabbi Rebecca Benoff as Sinai's Assistant Rabbi with guest speaker, Rabbi Gary Zola.

Following the service, we will celebrate as a community at the Oneg.



*RSVP Here by Monday,  
January 22nd at Noon*



Alec Harris, President, *Board of Trustees*  
Rabbi Michael A. Weinberg, *Interim Rabbi*  
Rabbi Amanda Greene, *Associate Rabbi and Director of Lifelong Learning*  
Rabbi Rebecca Benoff, *Assistant Rabbi*  
Rabbi Howard A. Berman, *Rabbi Emeritus*  
Jan Kaufman, *Executive Director*

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## New Program

### Israel: Navigating Difficult Conversations

Tuesday, January 23 | 6-8 PM | Social Hall

It's been over 3 months since October 7th. The Israel-Hamas war has activated strong emotions and differences of perspective for many people. Our own communities and families are becoming increasingly divided. Many struggle with the language we use in discussing the war, our values of justice and concern for the Other, and how to hold space for different perspectives. Join us for dinner and for a facilitated program where we will have the opportunity to have our voices heard, to listen to others, and to develop skills to truly engage in difficult conversations.

Scan here to register:



## Upcoming Events

### Adult Education with Rabbi Michael Weinberg,

#### Twenty-First Century Reform Responsa | Thursdays, January 25-May 30 | 11 AM

Please acquire, and bring with you to class, a copy of *Twenty-First Century Reform Responsa, Volume 2, edited by Mark Washofsky*. The book is available on Amazon or through the CCAR Press.

### Tu BiShvat Virtual Lobby Day for Climate Solutions

Thursday, January 25

Registration required, register here:



### Prayer Book Adult Hebrew Class with Henry Nussbaum

Begins Sunday, February 4 | 10 AM

Embrace your connection to the Hebrew language and embark on a journey to enhance your proficiency. This course will focus on equipping participants with the ability to understand Hebrew found in our prayer book.

There is a fee of \$30 for the purchase of the class textbook.

Register here:



### Adult Education with Dr. Ken Seeskin: A Jew Looks at Jesus

Begins Wednesday, February 7 | 10 AM

What was Judaism like at the time of Jesus? Why did his followers think he was the fulfillment of God's promise to send a Messiah? Did Jesus think he had founded a new religion or offered a purified version of Judaism? How do Judaism and Christianity deal with sin and the possibility of overcoming it?

Register here:



## Our Commitment to Inclusion

*Chicago Sinai Congregation is committed to being a House of Prayer for All People. Our congregation reflects the rich tapestry of humanity: people of all ages, people of all races, people of diverse religious backgrounds, individuals possessing a wide range of physical ability and gender identities. We constantly strive to be a welcoming community to all.*