

**Families with Young Children**  
**Holiday Special Events and Shabbat Services Calendar**  
**5770/2009 - 2010**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPECIAL EVENTS/ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Saturday, September 19	Rosh Hashanah - Family Service Tashlich (4:00 pm) Please join us in a traditional Rosh Hashanah tashlich ceremony at Lexington Reservoir (off Marrett Road, behind Bridge School). Together, we will "cast away" previous misdeeds and renew ourselves for the coming New Year.	2:30 pm
Friday, September 25	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Sunday September 27	Kol Nidre - Services at 6:30 pm and 9:00 pm	
Monday, September 28	Yom Kippur - Family Service Neilah light procession and Havdalah (approx. 6:15 pm) Families with young children are invited to mark the end of Yom Kippur Day with the blast of the Shofar and a light-filled procession at the end of Neilah (the closing service). We will celebrate havdalah together and create a beautiful and joyous mood for the end of our holy day.	2:15 pm
Friday, October 2	Celebrate the "Season of Our Joy" at the Family Picnic in the Sukkah at 6:00 pm Bring your family and a picnic dinner - we'll provide Sukkah decorating activities! Followed by the joyous and musical Sukkot Family Service (7:30 p.m)	
Friday, October 9	Erev Simchat Torah - Services at 7:30 pm - Come dance with the Torah!	
Friday, October 23	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Sunday, October 25	Ikkarim* Class begins	
Friday, October 30	TOT Shabbat Family Services and Dinner	5:45 pm
Friday, November 6	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Friday, November 20	TOT Shabbat Family Services and Dinner	5:45 pm
Saturday, November 21	Shir Shabbat Family Services	11:00 am
Sunday, December 6	Adult Learning Classes Begin Musical Jubilee Concert  Chanukah Celebration for Families with Young Children 3:00 - 4:30 pm Music, Snacks, and Chanukah Activities (Sponsored by Temple Isaiah Sisterhood)	10:30 - 11:30 am
Friday, December 11	Chanukah Family Service - 1 <sup>st</sup> candle - services at	7:30 pm
Friday, December 18	TOT Shabbat Family Services and Dinner	5:45 pm
Saturday, December 19	Shir Shabbat Family Services	11:00 am

Friday, December 25	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Friday, January 1	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Friday, January 8	TOT Shabbat Family Services and Dinner	5:45 pm
Friday, January 22	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Saturday, January 23	<b>*SPECIAL* Shir Shabbat Family Services</b> Brunch follows	10:00 am*
Sunday, January 31	<b>Tu B'Shevat Celebration for Families with Young Children</b> 3:00 - 4:30 pm Music, Snacks, Tu B'Shevat Activities (Sponsored by Temple Isaiah Sisterhood)	
Friday, February 5	TOT Shabbat Family Services and Dinner	5:45 pm
Saturday, February 6	Shir Shabbat Family Services	11:00 am
Thursday, February 25	<b>Purim Family Seudah (Feast)</b> Purim is a time for gathering with friends! Join us for a Purim feast and fun activities!	4:00 - 5:30 pm
Friday, February 26	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Sunday, February 28	Purim - Purim Carnival and Spiel	9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Friday, March 5	TOT Shabbat Family Services and Dinner	5:45 pm
Friday, March 12	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Sunday, March 14	<b>Passover Celebration for Families with Young Children</b> 3:00 - 4:30 pm Music, Snacks and Blessings, Passover Activities (Sponsored by Temple Isaiah Sisterhood)	
Saturday, March 27	Shir Shabbat Family Services	11:00 am
Monday, March 29	Passover - First Seder	
Friday, April 2	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Saturday, April 3	Havdalah Program	4:00 - 6:00 pm
Friday, April 9	TOT Shabbat Family Services and Dinner	5:45 pm
Friday, April 16	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Saturday, May 1	Shir Shabbat Family Services	11:00 am
Sunday, May 2	<b>Special Family LEGO program!</b> Building the Second Temple of Jerusalem! Sign-up required!	1:15 - 3:15 pm

Friday, May 7	Kabbalat Shabbat Services (*childcare available)	6:15 pm
Friday, May 15	TOT Shabbat Family Services and Dinner	5:45 pm
Friday, June 4	TOT Shabbat Family Services and Dinner	5:45 pm
Sunday, May 23	Mitzvah Day (more information to follow)	

### **Services offered for Families with Young Children (birth - age 8)**

Temple Isaiah is pleased to offer Families with Young Children three types of services on a monthly basis - Tot Shabbat, Simchat Shabbat and our congregational Erev Shabbat services at 6:15 pm. Of course, you are welcome to attend any and all of our other services as well! Please see the descriptions of these services below.

#### **Tot Shabbat Family Services**

Once a month members of our clergy lead an Erev Shabbat service for children ages 0-6 and their families. Each Tot Shabbat gathering includes candle lighting, an age-appropriate Shabbat service shared through a variety of interactive, engaging and child-friendly activities such as singing, a story, a playlet, a Torah parade, and more! After services, we join together for Kiddush, HaMotzi, a family-friendly dinner (sponsored by the temple), arts and crafts activities, and the opportunity to meet other families with young children. Services are from 5:45 - 6:15 pm; followed by dinner. We hope that you will join us! No RSVP is required for dinner.

#### **What are Shir Shabbat Family Services?**

Shir Shabbat (Song of Shabbat) are Shabbat morning services designed especially for families with children in fifth grade and under. The family-friendly services are full of joyful song and prayer. Services are from 11:00 a.m.-12 noon (including a "bagel oneg"), unless otherwise noted with \*. We hope that you will join us!

#### **What are Kabbalat Shabbat Services? (with complimentary childcare!)**

Our congregational Erev Shabbat services offered at 6:15 pm last about 1 hour, and are appropriate for families and children of all ages. We are pleased to offer complimentary childcare (sponsored by our clergy) for our youngest guests. Childcare will be provided by two experienced teenagers in Rooms 11/13, with a snack and fun activities provided. Please RSVP to [arusso@templeisaiah.net](mailto:arusso@templeisaiah.net) with your name, your child's name and age, to reserve a space for your child.

#### **Ikkarim: Little Kids. Big Questions. Explore what Jewish tradition offers parents of young children.**

**Ikkarim** (Hebrew for "roots") is a wonderful interactive educational experience for parents raising Jewish children.

- Interfaith families and all levels of learners encouraged.  
(Synagogue affiliation not required)
- Learn with dynamic Jewish educators and other parents.

The program will be offered weekly from October 2009 - March 2010; on **Sunday mornings 9:15 am - 10:45 am** at a Lexington location. Additionally, **complimentary on-site childcare** will be provided.

The class is provided and subsidized by CJP (Combined Jewish Philanthropies) in partnership with Hebrew College.

For more information, please visit [www.cjp.org/ikkarim](http://www.cjp.org/ikkarim) or contact Jodi Jarvis at [jjarvis@templeisaiah.net](mailto:jjarvis@templeisaiah.net)