

Multiracial Sinai: Temple Sinai's Striving to be Antiracist

Multiracial Sinai provides guidance to affirm Temple Sinai's identity as a multiracial congregation and to identify opportunities to improve aspects of our congregational life. We are committed to guiding Temple Sinai in being an affirmatively antiracist congregation. To do so, we provide opportunities for education, training, affinity groups and other programming.

In collaboration with Temple Sinai clergy, staff and lay leadership, Multiracial Sinai has made headway since beginning our work in the fall of 2017. Over 100 congregants have participated in facilitated discussion groups to develop shared language and frameworks for understanding and addressing racism and striving to be antiracist. Multiracial Sinai has organized affinity gatherings for congregants who identify as Jews of color and persons of color, and affinity gatherings for multiracial families with children in TSRS, and sponsored programming to bring together our entire community around the urgent and imperative work of dismantling racism and advancing antiracism. Last year we launched the Racial Equity Project to promote antiracist practices throughout all aspects of our congregational life.

Multiracial Sinai is forging a committed, involved community inspired by an understanding that antiracism and racial equity are Jewish values, and that this work is more urgent than ever.

We urge all congregants to join us in this work.

Learn about our multiracial Reform Jewish community and get involved here at Temple Sinai--

Important to Read

- This very important new report by the Jews of Color Initiative: [Beyond the Count: Perspectives and Lived Experiences of Jews of Color Report](#)
- A recent article about the report published in The Forward: [Largest Study Ever of Jews of Color Reports Widespread Discrimination](#)
- An article in Washington Jewish Week, [Experiences of Jews of Color Now Grounded in Hard Data](#)
- A D'var Torah for Rosh HaShanah and Labor Day by Temple Sinai member Dora Chen, [How to Make Our Racial Equity Commitments Endure](#)

Opportunities to Get Involved

Building Racial Stamina in Jewish Communities: Starting October 7th at 7 pm, at Temple Sinai

Talking about race is both difficult and necessary in our Jewish community and in society. This 6-week facilitated discussion group will provide space to develop *racial stamina*, the ability to engage in conversations and work that further racial justice. Over six sessions, the group will help each person explore their own racial identity, increase awareness of the impact of race and better understand how to affirm and embrace all people at Temple Sinai. *We ask that participants are able to attend each session.*

[Sign up here](#)

Affinity Gatherings this Fall: Sunday October 10th at 4 pm and Sunday January 9th at 4 pm. This will be a time to build community for Jews of Color and people of color within our Sinai community. More details will follow. Please contact Deitra Reiser to be added to the mailing list.

For more information about Multiracial Sinai, visit the [Multiracial Sinai webpage](#) or contact co-chairs Deitra Reiser and Cathy Goldwyn.