

## FROM THE CANTOR

Shalom friends,

It has been wonderful to connect with all of you in various ways over the past few months, whether it was at the outdoor Eliana Light weekend, our amazing Chanukah festivities, at Shabbat services, or through our many other points of connection. I write to you today with the excitement that 2022 will bring even more engagement through music at OZ. Here are a few of the musical happenings over the next few months:

- Friday Jan 14 @ 6 pm-**Shabbat Shirah/The Shabbat of Song**: Come join us for a special instrumental service featuring guest musicians, celebrating the Shabbat that marks our people's bursting into "Song at the Sea". In the morning, we will have parallel music-filled services, including a traditional as well as a new creative offering (stay tuned for details!)
- Saturday, January 29 @ 5:30 pm- **Pajama Havdalah & Jam**: We will come together as a community (in person and on Zoom) to close out Shabbat and welcome in a new week through song, in the comfort of our PJ's! If you or the children in your life play an instrument, I would love to hear from you as we put together our band for the *jam*!
- Building on the momentum from our Eliana Light weekend, I am excited to partner with Rabbi Amy and Naomi in leading **Family Shabbat Services** geared for **children 5-12** (but open to all) on Friday, Feb 18 @ 6 pm, and Saturday, March 26 @ 10 am! These joyful 1-hour services will include song, movement and a dramatized Torah service (on Shabbat morning).
- Friday, March 18: **Ski Ride Purim @ Sugar Bush** featuring a **musical Sing-Along**: How many songs can you come up with about the Mountains?! Stay tuned for more details!
- We are looking forward to officially inaugurating our gorgeous new Steinway baby grand piano (donated by an OZ family that wishes to remain anonymous). [Paul Orgel](#), Burlington's preeminent concert pianist, will perform a 1-hour **Concert of Mozart and Schubert** (with limited in person seating in our sanctuary, but also available on Zoom and livestream). Date & time to be announced.

I look forward to so many opportunities for connection through music in 2022, both in person and through our wonderful "virtual" modalities!

Wishing you all a year of health, wholeness and joy.

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