



Observance of Greek Holocaust Remembrance Day

Sunday, February 22, 2026

10:00 am – Breakfast

11:00 am – Presentation by Viktor Koen

(Q&A after the presentation)

SYLVIA – the Greek holocaust experience.

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Sylvia was born on Purim 1925 in Salonika, a cosmopolitan city bustling with Jewish life in Northern Greece coast. She is only 16 when the Germans enter Salonika on April 8, 1941. We will follow Sylvia and her family from deportation to Auschwitz –Birkenau, through the Greek holocaust experience of loss and perseverance in the death camps, and her odyssean return to Salonika through liberated Europe. In a city that now feels strange she rebuilds what was taken from her but also mourns for it in dreams and nightmares without escape. The tattooed number on her arm blurs but never fades.

To mark this event, the CSS Choir will be performing songs related to the event.

This event is open to the public, so feel free to invite your friends and neighbors.

Please RSVP for this event by using the link <https://bit.ly/3Y4tdxr>

Or call Suzanne at the Shir Shalom Office: 845-708-9181 ext. 105.

Deadline to register is Tuesday, February 17, 2026.

We kindly suggest a \$5 donation to help support the costs of this event.

If you would like to be a sponsor of this event, please call the office for more information.