### **SPRING 2023**



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## TEMPLE'S ANNUAL SPRING PLANT SALE!

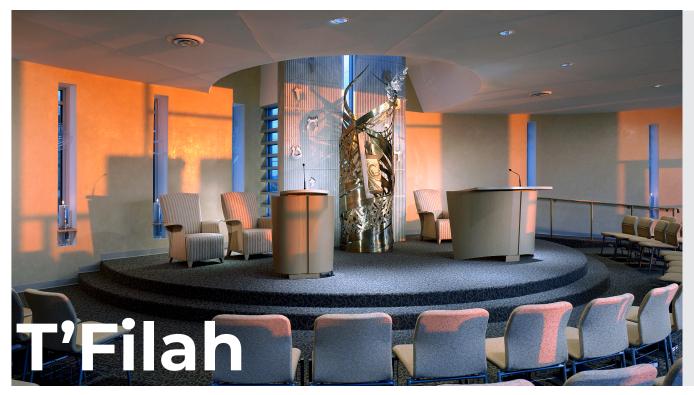
Choose from potted plants, hanging baskets and flats. Lots of varieties and colors of flowers, herbs and vegetables to choose from! *Click <u>HERE</u> to download the order form.* Simply complete and return it to Temple with your check by April 21st. Just in time for Mother's Day, orders will be available for *self-serve* pickup on Tuesday, May 9th (after 12PM) and Wednesday, May 10th in Temple's



Courtyard. Again this year, if you would like to make a donation to support our SHIM vegetable garden, simply add your donation amount to the order form and we'll select the plants to add to the garden.

We also need volunteers to help unload and sort the plants in the morning on Tuesday, May 9 (time TBD and requires the ability to bend and lift). Please contact <u>Leslie Hoffman</u> if you are available to help.

Questions? Contact the office at 412-279-7600 or via email.



### **WORSHIP & TORAH STUDY SCHEDULE**

### Friday Afternoon Torah Study at 1:00pm

Temple's Shabbat morning Torah Study frequently focuses on a single idea or verse, leaving much on the cutting room floor for further exploration. Curious what else the sages of our tradition were thinking? Join Rabbi Meyer on Zoom by clicking <u>here</u> for a 45 minute sneak peek!

### Shabbat Evening Services – Fridays at 7:00pm

Join us for our Shabbat evening services in the Beit HaT'filah. You can also continue to connect with us via <u>Temple's website</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, or <u>Youtube</u>. Immediately following the service, enjoy a nosh at the oneg and schmooze with fellow congregants.

### **Shabbat Mornings**

8:30AM Our Shabbat morning videos will be released on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u>. One will include the traditional first Aliyah from our Sefer Torah in Hebrew and translation, and the second a brief exposition of how the themes and lessons of the *parashat* (portion) relate to our modern lives.

**Shabbat Morning Torah Study – Saturdays at 9:00am** Join Rabbi Meyer in person at Temple or on <u>Zoom</u> to discuss the weekly *parashat*.

### Havdalah – Saturdays at 8:00pm

Join us virtually on Temple's <u>Facebook page</u>.

### Lay-Led Morning Minyan – Sundays at 9:30am

In person in the Beit HaT'filah or click <u>here</u> to join virtually on Zoom.

### Friday, June 2 | Sierra Fox Thank You

Let's come together to thank our amazing student cantor Sierra Fox for all that she has brought to Temple these past 2 years and to wish her well with her continued studies. Join us for our 7PM Shabbat service followed by a special oneg.

### **Special Services**

April 12 9am Yizkor <u>Zoom</u> only service

April 14 7th Grade Class Shabbat (7PM)

May 25 Tikkun L'eil Shavuot at Beth El (7PM) - details to come!

May 26 Shavuot & Confirmation Shabbat (7PM)

### B'nai Mitzvah Services 10:30AM

April 15 Kayla Desmond

April 22 Haley Sherlock

May 20 Samantha Sheppard

June 3 Brody and Emma Nadler

June 24 Zachary Morgenstern



## A MESSAGE FROM RABBI AARON MEYER

"What's a cantor?" I heard one student ask another as I sat down at their table during our High School program, a combined weekly social and informal-education program in concert with Beth El.

"It's like a rabbi who can sing," came the answer.

My own vocal prowess — or marked lack thereof — well known in the congregation by this point, I said with a smile on my face: "Wait, are you saying I can't sing?"

Without missing a beat, Temple's teenager responded "Yes, that's exactly what I'm saying!"

While the answer didn't do much to spare my feelings, it's a pretty effective practical description. What will Cantor Kalix Jacobson (they/them) do upon their arrival at Temple? Everything you might expect from a member of the clergy! Cantor Kalix will lead services and teach adult education sessions. They will work with our ECDC and Torah Center communities and visit congregants in the hospital, officiate at lifecycle events and be instrumental in our B'nei Mitzvah program. Yes, Cantor Kalix can indeed sing, and music will infuse much of what they bring to our community, but it is far from the totality of their contributions.

"A rabbi who can sing," while effective, does miss some of the nuances in the differences between rabbinic and cantorial educations at the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion. Rabbis get to dive a bit deeper into the texts of Jewish tradition while cantors learn far more about Judaism's musical history and richness. Cantors spend a bit more time focused on liturgy and rabbis a bit more time on Jewish philosophy. These differences and others might be conceptualized as specializations within the field of people who dedicate their lives to building Jewish community and bringing everyone closer to Torah.

The most important distinction in the ways Cantor Kalix and I will have the pleasure of serving the Temple Emanuel community actually has little to do with title. It was important to the Musical Search Advisory Task Force, Temple's Board, and the staff team who interviewed candidates for this position that we create new and differentiated ways for congregants to connect with Temple and its leadership. Cantor Kalix and I have different academic and personal interests, hobbies, and ways we approach Jewish text and tradition: exactly what we believe Temple Emanuel needs.

As Cantor Kalix begins their tenure with Temple this July, I hope you will take the opportunity to reach out with an invitation to coffee or a meal. They bring many gifts and talents to this work, and Temple — with tremendous gratitude to Betty Diskin, z"l, for seeding this legacy — is beyond fortunate to be welcoming a new cantor and friend to our community.

## A MESSAGE FROM Michelle Markowitz, Temple President

For me, the arrival of spring brings feelings of anticipation and excitement for what is ahead. This spring, that feeling is even more profound given the continuing partnership between Temple Emanuel and Outside Angle to engage our community around a vision for a future that is sustainable, vibrant, and relevant.

Since January, roughly 120 of our congregants, youth, and ECDC families have participated in opportunities to share their perspectives on the important roles that Temple has played and should continue to play in their lives. We are incredibly grateful to all who took the time to participate and are so humbled that so many of you were willing to share such thoughtful and personal perspectives. These perspectives will serve as the foundation of our effort to collectively build a future that will allow us as a Temple Emanuel community to thrive for generations to come.

The following are the major themes that emerged within each of the five topics:

**Cultivating Community** (defined as finding people with whom you want to connect regularly, with or without a specific agenda)

Belonging to a welcoming, vibrant, and nurturing Temple Emanuel community was a high priority for most participants, and a common thread was the desire for the community to be centered on Judaism and Jewish identity.

**Social Activism** (defined as engaging around a collective point of view and taking action in a way that is consistent with Jewish values)

There was a great deal of energy among participants around social activism and a general expectation that Temple Emanuel plays a role in connecting individuals with opportunities to express their Jewish values through social activism and social justice-related activities. The range of definitions of social activism was wide, though, spanning from volunteerism like Team Sandwich, to direct advocacy such as participating in marches, to position statements such as exterior signage stating a position on a particular issue.

**Continuation of Jewish Traditions and Values** (defined as participating in activities and practices that are important enough for you to do regularly and/or pass on to the next generation, whether with other people or in your own family)

There was a near unanimous sense among participants that Temple Emanuel should serve to create opportunities for the congregation to engage in Jewish customs and traditions and pass them down to future generations. Many spoke of the importance of learning opportunities to facilitate this, particularly for those less familiar with Judaism (such as non-Jewish partners in interfaith families).

**Spiritual and Religious Guidance** (defined as participating in pastoral care and navigating life cycle events in fundamentally Jewish ways)

By and large, many participants expressed satisfaction with the extent to which Temple Emanuel meets needs around spiritual and religious guidance and the general consensus was that this area - defined primarily by pastoral care, worship services, and life-cycle events - is an essential element of any future model for Temple Emanuel.

**Physical and Mental Wellness** (defined as learning about and practicing means for healthy living, both physically and mentally/emotionally)

While most participants do not expect Temple to provide their primary opportunities for physical health and wellness, several spoke to the fact that the spiritual guidance and community that Temple Emanuel offers has a positive impact on their mental wellness.

With roughly 120 participants from the Temple Emanuel community, the volume of ideas and perspectives shared was immense and we are very grateful for all who dedicated their time to providing them. While each idea was captured from each session, the above is meant to simply reflect the broad overarching themes that emerged across all five sessions.

We are currently coming to a close of the second phase of our work to re-envision our future. In Phase II, we collectively envisioned a future for the congregation by sharing ideas and expressing the roles we collectively seek to have Temple Emanuel continue to provide our community. The next phase of work will focus on bringing the vision to life by building out concrete design ideas and exploring bold new paths forward.

We invite and encourage all Temple Emanuel members to participate in an upcoming Community Conversation on April 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the Beit HaT'filah or via Zoom. There, we'll provide additional updates and invite further perspectives on the future of Temple Emanuel.

In addition, please always feel free to reach out to me (<u>mrm0503@gmail.com</u>/412-512-3513) or Outside Angle (<u>ideas@outsideangle.com</u>) with any questions or ideas.

I hope that you are as excited as I am for the budding green shoots that are emerging this spring, not just in the garden but within the Temple Emanuel community, as well. I look forward to continuing to engage in this change process with all of you.



## **ECDC** Celebrates Purim

Holiday celebrations at ECDC are a joyous opportunity for learning, community building, and living our shared values. The children prepared for Purim in their classrooms by reading Purim stories, making their own scrolls and groggers, and designing games for our schoolwide carnival. Thanks to Rabbi Emily Meyer and a team of ECDC parent volunteers, children were able to make their own hamantaschen during their Purim celebrations. On Carnival day, the children dressed in costume and gathered in the Social Hall to play the games created by the students–musical chairs, bowling, Pin the Hat on Haman, and a Floor is Lava themed photo booth were some of the favorites. Practicing our value of tzedakah, sharing with others, the games were later utilized during Temple's KIDdish Club gathering for families with young children.



Children work to design their own puppets



A child flattens dough to prepare hamentaschen



A Purim castle under construction



Children work to make pins for their bowling game



Children design a Purim Castle

### **Professional Learning Opportunities at ECDC**

This Spring, ECDC was fortunate to welcome Master Naturalists Sarah Levinthal and Sarada Sangameswaran back to ECDC to present information about how to incorporate outdoor learning into our work with the children. We left the session with wonderful ideas about how to involve the children in the work that is about to commence on our hillside garden. Children will be able to actively observe the changes that are made to the space, making hypotheses and collecting data about the types of animals that they may begin to see in the garden. We are grateful to the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh for providing funding to make this professional development opportunity possible.



## TEMPLE FAMILY MENSCHENINGS

### SHALOM!

## A warm welcome goes to new members of our Temple family:

- Anna & Pablo Noguera and their son Henry Noguera
- Brittany Garove-Loiben & Bradley Loiben and their daughters Noa & Reese
- Anastasia & Matthew Abramson and their daughters Sofia & Lily

### We mourn the loss of:

- Ruth Levine, Temple member (December 29)
- **Ruth Cinsburg**, mother of Howard (Kathy) Ginsburg, grandmother of Henry & Lauren Ginsburg (December 31)
- **Norton "Norty" Baskin**, brother of Howard (Cheryl) Baskin, uncle of Wendy (Jess) Hutchinson (January 7)
- **Desy Rasmussen**, sister of Silvana Kelly, aunt of Kimberly (Victor) Walters, great aunt of Anthony and Rachel Walters (January 31)
- Arnold Breslow, Temple member and husband of Miriam Breslow (February 16)
- **Mildred "Millie" Klein**, mother of Arnie (Sara) Klein, grandmother of Sam, Joel and Marissa Klein (February 25)



Join us in the Beit HaT'filah at 7 pm for an interfaith prayer service and celebration of PRIDE as we welcome our friends from St. Paul's Episcopal Church for PRIDE Shabbat ahead of Mt. Lebanon's PRIDE Celebration on Saturday, June 17th.

### Welcome New Babies!

- Zev David Engel, born February 4, son of Christa Brooks & Daniel Engel
- Layla Esther Wilen, born February 28, grandson of Tracey & David Palmieri
- Lucas Harvey Kozel, born March 4, son of Alicia & Sarah Kozel, brother of Julian and Rafael
- Leni Morris Denic Roberts, born March 9, greatgrandson of Judith Rudoy

### **B'Nei Mitzvah**

- Kayla Desmond, granddaughter of Shelley Desmond, April 15
- Haley Sherlock, daughter of Susan & Eric Sherlock, April 22
- Samantha Sheppard, daughter of Kelly Sheppard and Paul Sheppard, May 20
- Emma and Brody Nadler, children of Lesley & Brett Nadler, June 3
- Zachary Morgenstern, son of Marsha & Eric Morgenstern, June 24



## Financial help for the Local Jewish Community

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## TORAH CENTER UPDATE

From Steph McFerron, Education Director

It may seem cliche, but our time in Torah Center this year truly is flying by. With the arrival of spring, our younger students are immersed in all things Passover! Our 7th graders and Rabbi Meyer headed to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum with our friends from Beth El to broaden their learning of the Holocaust. Our older grades have either just led their Shabbat Friday evening service or are preparing to do so. Our 6th graders are also preparing to lead Sunday morning minyan for their parents. With the end of the Torah Center school year in sight our classes are excited to welcome their families to show off their accomplishments and we are all just so grateful for the time we have had with your children.

Keep an eye on your inbox for information pertaining to registration for next year. Not currently enrolled in Torah Center, but have questions on enrolling your child in our program (PreK - 7th) for the 23-24 school year? Please reach out to me at smcferron@templeemanuelpgh.org.



Outdoor T'filah with our mid-week Our 6th grade students and Hebrew students



families made challah as part of their class Shabbat.





We had a great crew of Torah Center teachers and Madrichim helping to run the Purim Carnival activities!

Our Kids of Steel, led by Torah **Center Director Steph McFerron** with help from Brian Reverri, have been training hard for their race on May 6th. Here they are pictured with Hunter Confair from P3R who presented them with a giant "check" for a grant to help fund the program!

With appreciation and thanks we acknowledge receipt of our 2022-23 Federation Education Enrichment Fund (FEEF) allocation in the amount of \$17,875 from the Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh. The allocation amount is determined based on the number of students enrolled in our K-7 grades. The dollars are directed toward the Torah Center operating budget, helping to offset the differential between our tuition dollars and the total cost to run the Torah Center program.



## **SPRING** | PROGRAMMING AT TEMPLE EMANUEL

We are excited to welcome you back to Temple Emanuel this winter with our lineup of programming and volunteering opportunities alongside our regularly scheduled services, KIDdish Clubs for our youngest members every second Friday of the month, and our ECDC and Torah Center programs.

We hope that there is something that appeals to you in our lineup and that you are excited to be more involved!

To be the most up to date on everything happening at Temple Emanuel, <u>check out our calendar</u> and subscribe to have the dates added to your calendar automatically!

## **WTE+ Mimouna Celebration Potluck**

Mimouna, a largely Sephardic festival originating in Morocco, is a festival to celebrate the end of Passover with sweets and leavened foods. Traditional festivals involve visiting the homes of friends and family and welcoming others into your home as well. Feasts include foods that symbolize prosperity and success for the spring to come. In recent years, this festival has taken off in Israel, too!

Thursday 4/13 7:00 PM @ Temple Emanuel

#### Read more about Mimouna here.

Instead of visiting each of our actual homes for this feast, we invite WTE+ members to bring the feast to Temple Emanuel for a Mimouna potluck! It is customary to avoid meat (other than fish), coffee, or other bitter foods for Mimouna, so please plan to bring a dairy dish. Tea and the traditional moufleta crepes will be provided!

Let Sarah know what you plan to bring by signing up here: Mimouna Potluck Sign-Up

## **MOTE Brews Nights**

Enjoy some locally brewed beer. Appetizers will be provided! RSVP to Sarah Mangan at smangan@templeemanuelpgh.org.

### Sunday 4/23

7:00 PM

28 Bridges Brewery inside Pittsburgh Bottle Shop in Bridgeville

### Thursday 5/18 7:00 PM

East End Brewery Taproom in Mt. Lebanon

Thursday 6/22 7:00 PM Spoonwood Brewery in Bethel Park

## **Grief & Loss Group**

Temple's Grief & Loss Group will meet on Sundays, April 16 and June 11 at 10AM on Zoom using this <u>link</u>. Contact <u>Ellen Ulmer</u> if you have guestions or would like to attend.

## TERMS Meetings

### (Temple Emanuel Retirees in Mitzvah Service)

Fridays - April 21, May 19 and June 16 at 10AM in the Community Room or join on Zoom using this <u>link</u>.

### KIDdish Club Fridays: April 14, May 5 and June 9 from 5-6:30 pm

We are excited to welcome you again to Temple Emanuel for a kidfriendly dinner, craft projects and play time; and a fast-paced musical introduction to Shabbat. Don't worry if you can't make it right at 5:00pm — you can drop in anytime!

While this program is designed with those ages 0-6 in mind, older siblings, parents and even grandparents are welcome. Rebecca Closson, Kate Louik, Sarah Mangan, and all of your friends at Temple are excited to welcome you! While we intend this to be a program your family can drop into when your busy schedules permit, we appreciate your RSVP to <u>Sarah Mangan</u> so we're sure to have enough food for everyone.

## Play Mahj

Join us in table games of Mahjong! All levels of players are welcome. Snacks will be provided. *New 2023 cards required*!

### Sundays: April 23, May 21 and June 25 at 2:00 pm

@ Temple Emanuel (outside of the Social Hall)

### WTE+ Book Club

Join us on Monday, April 17th at 7:00 pm to discuss Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevin. Snacks will be provided!

### Monday, April 17 at 7:00 pm

@ Temple Emanuel Library

## WTE+ Visit to Pittsburgh Botanic Garden

Join WTE+ as we explore the Pittsburgh Botanic Garden with Master Naturalist Sarah Levinthal. We will plan to meet at the garden. Purchase your ticket <u>online</u> in advance or at the Welcome Desk.

Cost: Garden members – free, Adult (18+) \$15, Youth (3-17) \$9, Children (<3) Free, Seniors (62+) \$13

Questions? Contact <u>Sarah</u> <u>Mangan</u>.

Sunday, June 11 at 1:30 pm

## **Community Conversation**

Thursday, April 20 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm @ Beit HaT'filah and via Zoom

Join Temple President Michelle Markowitz, treasurer Steve Del and our partners at Outside Angle for updates on Temple's finances and future.

## Temple Emanuel's 2022-23 Annual Meeting

### Sunday, June 4 10:00 am light breakfast; 10:30 am meeting

The Temple Emanuel Board of Trustees invite all members to attend our congregation's Annual Meeting in the Beit HaT'filah. Zoom access will also be available via this <u>link</u>.

## Take Me Out to the Ballpark!!!

### Sunday, August 13 1:35 pm



Join your Temple friends as the Pirates take on the Reds at 1:35PM on Sunday, August 13. We've reserved a block of seats in section 103 - along the first base line and under cover. Tickets are \$28 each and include a \$10 food/drink voucher. And kids can run the bases after the game!

Click <u>here</u> to RSVP and pay online or send your check to the office by July 15th.

## **Annual Memorial Day Bagel Brunch**

## Monday, May 29

### 10:00 am-noon

@ Boyce Mayview Park Pavilion

Join us for our annual Memorial Day Bagel Brunch at Boyce Mayview Park for bagels, refreshments, 50-50 and yard games! Many thanks to our amazing TERMS volunteers for coordinating this FREE event. Please RSVP to the <u>office</u> by May 19th so we're sure to have enough food for everyone.



We'd love to highlight the good you're doing in our Temple Emanuel community and beyond. Contact <u>Sarah Mangan</u> with any pictures and information about what's going on!

## **SPRING** VOLUNTEERING & SOCIAL ACTION OPPORTUNITIES

## Environmental Sustainability Interest Group Meeting

Environmentally-minded members are invited to join the Environmental Sustainability Committee for a brief meeting, activity, and environmentally conscious snack.

### Sunday, April 16 at 1:00 pm

@ the courtyard at
Temple Emanuel
(weather permitting)

## **Gilkeson Road Spring Cleanup: Environmental Action**

Join us as we clean up our Adopt-a-Highway stretch of Gilkeson Road. We will meet at the Mt. Lebanon Gun Range parking lot. From Cedar Blvd, turn onto Lindendale Dr, and make the first left turn into the Mt. Lebanon Public Works Yard to join us.

Gloves, vests, and trash bags will be provided.

Due to the nature of Gilkeson Rd, we ask that volunteers are 13+.

## SHIM 5K

Join us for Temple's 2nd Annual Walk/Run to benefit SHIM on Sunday, May 21st at 10am at the Jefferson Middle School track. We welcome walkers and runners of all ages (Temple members & non-members) for this non-competitive event. Whether you walk a mile or run a 5K (3.1 miles), 100% of your registration fee goes toward supporting SHIM! Please bring non-perishable food donations for SHIM as well.

After your run, enjoy a treat from <u>Pgh Crepes</u> or Kona Ice. Both food trucks will donate a portion of their proceeds from the day to SHIM!

Pre-register by April 25 to guarantee that you'll receive a shirt. T-shirts are not guaranteed for same-day walk-ups or anyone registering after 4/25.

Cost: \$18/person; \$54 family max.

To pre-register, click <u>here</u> or print the <u>5K Run for SHIM Registration Form</u> and return it the Temple office with your check.

## **Team Temple Marathon: Water Station**

Join other Temple Emanuel members supporting marathon and half marathon runners at the water station at Cupples Stadium on the Southside from 5:30 am to 11:30 am.

Register to volunteer <u>here</u>.

Sunday, April 16 at 2:30 pm meet @ the Mt. Lebanon Gun Range

Sunday, May 21 10:00 am to 12:00 pm @ Jefferson Middle School Track

Sunday, May 7 from 5:30 am to 11:30am @ at Cupples Stadium

### SHIM FOOD DONATIONS

We are always collecting nonperishable food donations for SHIM in the boxes beside the stairwell. Or, click <u>here</u> to donate digitally and donate snacks to SHIM's After School Program.

### Drop off donations at Temple for the FreeStore 15106

Temple Emanuel's The Retirees in Mitzvah Service (TERMS) group began an ambitious project in January: Get the word out to help stock and organize Carnegie Elementary School's FreeStore 15106. Since then our entire Temple Emanuel community has really shown up for the students of the school and their families by providing so many donations and volunteering in the FreeStore. The current list of most needed items includes: canned soup, canned tuna, canned chicken, saltine crackers, ramen noodles, fruit cups, juice boxes, laundry pods and girls underwear.

## **TEAM SANDWICH NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Each month we partner with local social service organizations to provide at least 500 sandwiches for their clients.

### Upcoming Dates: Tuesdays: April 18, May 16, June 20

Please contact <u>Susan Hommel</u> if you can help.

Many thanks to our January, February & March contributors and drivers!

Meg & Keith Abrams, Deb Berlin, Laura Brookfield, Laura Davidson, Marianne Faber,



Laryn and Moe Finder, Howard Friedman, JoAnn Goldberg, Iris & Chris Harlan, Nancy Jennings, Sally Lebowitz, Judy Nesvisky, Ruth Novice, Schneider Family, Judy & Allen Press, Linda & Paul Richardson, Britt Roteman, Veronica & Jon Schmerling, Bunny & Alan Schorr, Anne Watzman, Marti & Ozzy Weisberg, Ellen & Rich Wellins

## Social Action: "Backyard Barbeque" Meal at The Women's Center and Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh

Join WTE+ as we continue our partnership with the Women's Center and Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh by providing an outdoor cookout meal to the residents at WCSP. All of our cooking will happen at the grill in their outdoor space, which includes a playground. Families are welcome to join and volunteer together!

Date & Time TBD

We had such a fun night celebrating Purim early! Anthos Bakery and Cafe in Castle Shannon hosted us for costume karaoke! Delicious food and lots of fun were had by all!



## **SPRING** | ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

TEMPLE EMANUEL OF SOUTH HILLS AND BETH EL CONGREGATION OF THE SOUTH HILLS PRESENT

## ESSENTIALS OF JUDAISM

In a partnership between Beth El and Temple Emanuel, Rabbis Alex & Amy Greenbaum, Rabbis Aaron & Emily Meyer, and Rabbi Mark Mahler will offer an 8-session learning opportunity about Jewish life accessible to those studying Judaism for the first time while deep enough to augment the knowledge and practice of lifelong learners.

Courses will explore Jewish texts, theology, prayer, holidays, and history, including courses dedicated specifically to Shabbat, Israel, and the Holocaust and Antisemitism.

No matter when and where you learned about Judaism, ongoing study of Jewish tradition offers meaning and connection to longtime adherents and newcomers alike!

Eight 90 minute sessions available in person and over Zoom Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

April 19, 26, May 3, and 10 at Temple Emanuel May 17, 24, 31, and June 7 at Beth El

Cost is \$36 for the course and course materials Register by April 12th at: www.tinyurl.com/EssentialsOfJudaism

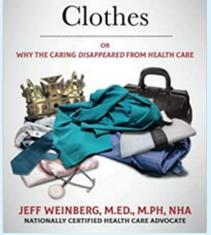
# Guest Speaker: Jeff Weinberg, Author and Healthcare Advocate

### Thursday, May 4 at 7:00 pm in the Community Room

Jeff Weinberg, President of Caregiver Champion, will give a presentation discussing how the healthcare systems work and don't work, and how to advocate for yourself within those healthcare systems. The talk is based on his book The Emperor Needs New Clothes or Why The Caring Disappeared from Health Care.

Jeff Weinberg (M.ED, M.PH, NHA) is a Nationally Certified Health Care Advocate, and his book offers additional real-life solutions and resources to help patients and their families navigate our healthcare system.

Snacks will be provided and books will be available for purchase. Please RSVP to <u>Sarah Mangan</u> if you plan to attend.



The Emperor

Needs New

Temple member David Rosenberg's exhibit, **Who is a Jew? Amiens, France, 1940-45**, will be on display at Bower Hill Community Church on Moffett St. through May 26. All are welcome to view the exhibit weekdays, 9 am – 3pm, or by appointment (412.561.4114). Click <u>here</u> to read more about the exhibit.

## The Beauty that Still Remains: A Holocaust Remembrance Concert

### Saturday, April 22

### 7:00 pm @ Temple Emanuel

The Pittsburgh Girls Choir proudly presents a concert of hope and reflection through song in commemoration of Holocaust Remembrance Day. The Chamber Choir will sing:

Ani Ma'amin (arr. Caldwell & Ivory)

Anne Frank: A Living Voice by Linda Tutas Haugen. A powerful piece featuring words directly from Anne Frank's immortal diary.

Psalm Trilogy by Srul Irving Glick

Click here to purchase tickets. Questions? Contact the Pittsburgh Girls Choir (412.267.7707)



Click <u>HERE</u> for an announcement about the 30<sup>th</sup> JFilm Festival coming up April 20-30! Save the date and watch for Temple Emanuel's discount ticket code in an email---tickets go on sale March 30th!



## Every day is FUNDay at Temple Emanuel

You can help raise operating funds for Temple Emanuel while also honoring or memorializing a loved one or marking a special occasion:

- General Fund Donations Click <u>here</u> and select General Fund from the dropdown list of funds.
- Yahrzeit Plaques (\$375)
- "Path of the Just" Bricks (\$150)
- Western Wall (upstairs lobby) Plaques (\$360 -\$1500)

Please contact <u>Leslie Hoffman</u> for more information.



Temple's Pollon Family Library space plays host to Torah Center classes in the reading nook, hybrid Zoom and in-person meetings, discussion groups in the "comfy chairs," and more. Cantor Kalix Jacobson will move into the former Library Conference Room starting July 1, right next door to Program and Volunteer Coordinator Sarah Mangan. Rotating book displays can also be found outside of the Beit HaT'filah. Come visit for a class, meeting, or to borrow a book!

### Donations to Temple Funds as of March 10, 2023

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Thursday, April 6 | First day of Passover Monday, April 10 | Scheduled plumbing repairs Wednesday, April 12 | Last day of Passover Tuesday, May 16 | Election Day *(Temple is a voting site)* Friday, May 26 | Shavuot (Shabbat service with Confirmation at 7PM) Monday, May 29 | Memorial Day



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