



NEWSLETTER

Social Action Update

UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer is Here!

Confirmation Celebration Shabbat
Friday, June 7, 2024, 7:00 PM

Join us in person or online to celebrate our Confirmation Class of 2024 and welcome Shabbat.

Conversation Group for Parents of Young Children

Sundays throughout the summer, 9:30 AM
 Conversation group is back! Join us for a six-session conversation group with clergy, Jewish professionals, and fellow parents of young children to learn more about Judaism and discuss modern Jewish parenthood. Babysitting will be available during the 90-minute sessions for children 1+. You don't have to join us for all six sessions, but we hope you join us for any that interest you!

The cost is \$10/child, \$20 family max per session to participate. 😊

During our first session, we will discuss "Your Place on the Spectrum of Jewish Life" with Rabbi Aaron Meyer. [Email Sarah](#) for dates and to sign up!

Interfaith PRIDE Shabbat
Friday, June 14, 2024, 7:00 PM

Join us in person or online for an interfaith Shabbat service to celebrate PRIDE.

Volunteer

Volunteer to help water and weed the gardens!

Volunteer to help Temple Emanuel at our booth for Mt. Lebanon's PRIDE in the park!

New Temple Emanuel shirt designs for summer are live in our online shop!

All proceeds benefit Temple Emanuel!



Giving Back This Summer

Schools are letting out for break, temperatures are rising... summer is here! While social activities are fewer in the summer, services in the courtyard or in the park, gardening, book club gatherings in the garden, conversation groups, and Shabbat in the Lot for families with young children are just a few of the exciting summer opportunities that the beautiful weather and break from school allow us!

As it did last summer, this newsletter will transition from a once/week publication to once/month. As this is our June newsletter, I would like to showcase the good work this community has already done and encourage you to continue it through the summer.

A Message from Carnegie Elementary:

To the Temple Emanuel and ECDC Community, With your help, we reached our goal of 250 books! Thank you for generously contributing copies of the "Love the World" book to the Carnegie Elementary School for their annual Mr. Rogers' 143 Event. Children and their families were happy to receive this high-quality book that promotes values of kindness and community.

Temple Emanuel has demonstrated the value of kindness in its outpouring of donations for the Carnegie Free Store and related projects. Carnegie Elementary School recognizes and appreciates the support of its neighbor, Temple Emanuel.

Thank you for your participation.

Food Insecurity

Unfortunately, summer letting out for summer isn't always an exciting thing for families. For some, it means that the regular food distribution their children receive at school stops. Thankfully, the dedicated teachers who run FreeStore15106 offer food collection throughout the summer to help!

Our collection box to SHIM is always open for food donations, and even though our FreeStore 15106 box benefits a school, we are also collecting food for FreeStore throughout the summer! You can bring shelf-stable foods and toiletries to the FreeStore15106 box in Temple Emanuel's lobby. The most needed items are listed on the left side of this newsletter for reference.



Thank you to our TERMS group for organizing another successful Memorial Day Bagel Brunch!

We are always collecting non-perishable food donations for SHIM in the boxes beside the stairwell.

RAC-PA and CeaseFire PA are working together to encourage lawmakers in our state to pass bipartisan, common-sense gun laws. If you'd like to learn more about how Temple Emanuel is engaging in this social justice work, please email [Ron Richards](#).

Team Sandwich collects sandwiches every 3rd Tuesday of the month! Contact shommel46@gmail.com to sign-up to bring sandwiches!

- #### MOST NEEDED ITEMS FOR FREESTORE 15106
- Shelf-stable foods like Easy Mac cups and Chef Boyardee
 - Nonperishable Food
 - Deodorant
 - Toothbrushes
 - Toothpaste
 - Lotion
 - Shampoo
 - Conditioner
 - Body Wash
 - Hand Soap
 - Laundry Detergent
- Please bring donations to Temple.*