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Rabbis Aaron & Emily Meyer, Evelyn (6) and Eli (3), and Student Cantor Sierra Fox invite you to

## Temple's 2nd Night Passover Seder

## Saturday, April 16th 5:30pm

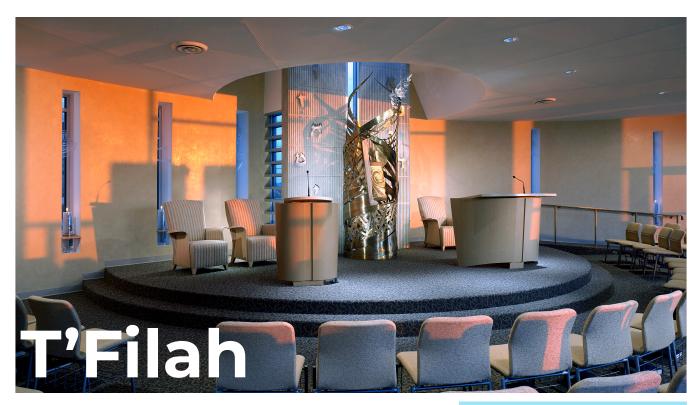
Enjoy a fun, interactive, multi-generational musical seder experience, a wonderful meal catered by Melinda Freed, and an evening of reconnecting in sacred community. With craft projects, plentiful snacks to nosh on before the meal, and a fully-transliterated Hagaddah, all have a place around Temple's seder table. Cost: \$36 for adults, \$18 for children.

#### RSVP HERE:

www.templeemanuelpgh.org/event/seder2022

Deadline is Tuesday, April 5.
Unfortunately, we cannot accept walk-ins for this event.





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

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

(except April 15 – see sidebar)

Join us for our Shabbat evening services in the Beit HaT'filah (masks are optional). You can also continue to connect with us via Temple's <u>website</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, or <u>Youtube</u>. An electronic copy of Mishkan T'filah, the congregation's prayer book, can be accessed <u>here</u>. Immediately following the service, enjoy a nosh at the oneg and schmooze with fellow congregants!

#### Shabbat Morning Services - Saturdays at 8:30am

Join us virtually for our 30-minute Shabbat morning services using the links listed above.

#### Shabbat Morning Torah Study - Saturdays at 9:00am

Join Rabbi Meyer on **Zoom** to discuss the weekly parashat.

#### Havdalah - Saturdays at 8:00pm

Join us virtually on Temple's Facebook page.

#### 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. (No Minyan on Sunday, April 3)

#### B'nai Mitzvah Services – Shabbat Mornings at 10:30am

April 2 – Jack Lederman

April 9 - Ida Epshtyn

May 7 - Adult B'nai Mitzvah

May 14 – Sarah Green

May 21 – Adult B'nai Mitzvah

May 28 - Elias Plutko

\* Watch your email for details on Community-Wide Shavuot Study Sessions (June 4/5)

# Special Programming

Friday, April 15 - 4:00 pm Special Early Shabbat Service

#### Saturday, April 16

2nd Night Community Seder at Temple

Friday, April 22 - 9:00 am
Virtual Yizkor Service on Zoom

#### Friday, April 29

Life & Legacy Donor Appreciation Shabbat with musical guest Ellie Flier

#### Friday, June 3

Confirmation Shabbat

Friday, June 10

**Pride Shabbat** 



#### A MESSAGE FROM RABBI AARON MEYER

Think of "semantic satiation" as the fancy term for what teens would call a "meme." When a word or phrase is repeated frequently enough, it can become meaningless or perhaps take on a new meaning far removed from its origins. The tragic and all-to-common example in contemporary American life? "Thoughts and prayers."

When spoken earnestly as words of consolation after an immediate loss or a tragic event, the phrase "thoughts and prayers" (with its many variations) is meant to convey empathy, support, and solidarity with those who are suffering. Repeated too often, however, the phrase "thoughts and prayers" starts to feel like a tired trope or an insincere pleasantry akin to the casual meeting non-question "how are you?" And when offered by those in positions of power who could and should be doing more to alleviate suffering or actively prevent tragedies from occurring, "thoughts and prayers" becomes not only vapid rhetoric but actively insulting as a means of shirking moral responsibility.

Our challenge as adherents of a progressive faith tradition (where progressive is understood not politically but as accepting and embracing modernity along with traditional religious wisdom) is that offering prayers for a better world is indeed earnest and simultaneously recognized as insufficient. We say the prayer beginning *Mi Shebeirach* each Shabbat, asking God to grant all who are suffering from illness a complete and speedy healing, a *refuah sh'leimah...* and we don't stop there. The rabbis of Talmud (Nedarim 39) teach that one who visits the sick fulfills a commandment and removes 1/60th of their pain. We offer thoughts and prayers **and** the concerted works of our hands to bring about the reality for which we pray.

So, too, it is when we say prayers for peace in this troubled world. "Oseh shalom bimromav: may the one who makes peace in heaven make peace for us," we sing. "Sim shalom tovah uv'rachah: grant peace, goodness and blessing, grace kindness and mercy to us and to all Your people." "Shalom rav al Yisrael Amcha: grant abundant peace to Your people forever." Prayers for peace are numerous throughout our liturgy as we ask God to open hardened hearts to the possibility of peace. And we don't stop there; we don't stop with prayer. Even when the task seems too great for singular individuals thousands of miles removed from conflict, we are unwilling to abdicate responsibility or accept that our "thoughts and prayers" alone will bring about the world we seek. We remember the teaching of Pirkei Avot (2:16), that it is not our responsibility to finish the work but neither can we in good conscience desist from it, and we find ways to act.

Like many of you, I'm heartbroken upon seeing the pictures and reading the descriptions of the Russian invasion of Ukraine and am struggling with how to respond. What can I, one person with negligible language skills and a limited philanthropic budget living in Pittsburgh, PA, do to support those in such great need? It does start, I believe, with thoughts and prayers. Even if our faith in God's ability to turn the heart of the aggressor waivers, our prayers force these tragic events onto our minds' front burner every single day the Ukrainian people suffer. And with that consciousness of conscience we cannot help but act. Staying informed by watching and reading the news and personal accounts is a form of action; using our voices and feet to ensure others — specifically our elected officials — don't turn a blind eye and continually search for ways to assist is a form of action; making monetary contributions as circumstances allow is a form of action. It doesn't feel like enough yet the alternative is certainly worse. As another prayer for peace in our tradition, *Ani V'atah*, reminds us: "You and I will change the world, you and I. Then all will join us."

Thoughts and prayers. And actions.



## **President's Message**

By: Michelle Markowitz, President

Like many of you, I read with shock, disappointment, and disgust the recent reports from the investigations into allegations of misconduct, past and present, occurring at three of the Jewish institutions with which Temple Emanuel closely associates: Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, the Central Conference of American Rabbis, and the Union for Reform Judaism. As Temple Emanuel has already communicated to you, "these reports are heartbreaking and difficult to digest, as they call out behaviors antithetical to our Jewish values, and they are long overdue." Not in response to these reports, but rather because we recognize our collective obligation and desire to reinforce our highest values, Temple Emanuel began the process of creating a Congregational Code of Ethics for our community. Consistent with guidance from the Union for Reform Judaism, we recognize that "a written Code of Ethics reinforces the community's values and positively influences individuals' behavior. Individuals who expressly know and understand the community's expectations are more likely to act according to those standards and to make responsible decisions."

Temple Emanuel began the process of creating a Congregational Code of Ethics in October 2021, when the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the creation of a Task Force. The Task Force began its work with a seemingly simple question: What are your expectations of how you will be treated when you enter Temple's doors (in both the physical and virtual spaces)? In the most Jewish way possible, that question led to more questions: Which values should be included in a Code of Ethics? To whom will this Code of Ethics apply? What happens if someone believes he or she has been treated in a way that does not comport with ethical standards? How will people find out about this Code of Ethics?

Since December 2021, the Task Force has been meeting regularly and having thoughtful and engaging discussions to answer these questions. At this point, a Congregational Code of Ethics consisting of three distinct parts, Introduction, Code of Ethics, and Addressing Allegations of Unethical Behavior, has been drafted and is in the process of being reviewed by various stakeholders. The Code of Ethics centers on our responsibilities to one another inherent in being part of a sacred community - to respect the dignity and worth of each individual and to interact with one another respectfully and honestly.

We anticipate that one of the first actions of the 2022-2023 Board of Trustees will be to consider and vote on the Code of Ethics. In the meantime, the Task Force is also creating a plan to communicate, publicize, and educate our community about the Code of Ethics, and we look forward to continuing to engage in meaningful and thoughtful discussions about these important topics.

If you have any questions about the Code of Ethics or the work of the Task Force, please feel free to reach out to me, or any member of the Task Force: Erin Barr, Aviva Diamond, Rob Edelson (Co-Chair), Erica Goodman, Leslie Hoffman, Ilene Iskoe, Alicia Kozel, Rabbi Aaron Meyer, Bryan Rosenberger, and Holly Rudoy.



## **Updates From Temple's Early Childhood Development Center:**

## **Celebrating Purim at ECDC**

At ECDC, our holiday celebrations are not only a time to learn about Jewish traditions, they are also an opportunity to live our values. This March, we were excited to celebrate Purim with costumes, a carnival, and a food drive for our community partner, SHIM. Across our classrooms, children engaged with the story of Esther by creating their own story scrolls or retelling the story with puppets. Every class created a castle utilizing recycled materials and loose parts. Hamentashen are always a highlight of our merrymaking—we love to sing about them, bake them, and eat them! Perhaps most meaningfully, Purim is an opportunity to teach children the mitzvah of *Matanot L'evyonim*. Our generous ECDC community donated nonperishable food and personal care items for the food pantry at SHIM.







## Registration for School Year 2022-2023 is Open Now!

Registration for School Year 2022-2023 is open now and our classes are filling quickly. If you or someone you know might be interested in joining our ECDC community, we would love to connect with them. Contact Kate Louik at <a href="mailto:klouik@templeemanuelpgh.org">klouik@templeemanuelpgh.org</a> or 412-279-7687. To learn more about our program and to register, click <a href="mailto:here">here</a>.

#### **TORAH CENTER UPDATE**

It is hard to believe we are nearing the home stretch for Torah Center! It is equally hard to summarize all of the good things that have been happening amongst the grades! This winter, our 2nd, 4th, 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades each had the opportunity to participate in their Friday night service; with a pre-service activity beforehand. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4th-grade families graciously donated supplies to package a birthday in a bag for Beverly's Birthday - complete with handwritten cards.

Moving into Purim festivities, students worked collectively spanning the grades to create *mishloach manot* baskets for our older congregants. With the help of Sara Wulff, Bonnie Benhayon, the Caring Community, our students, our madrichim, and our families, we were able to create and deliver 70 baskets within our community.

Continuing with Purim celebrations, it was wonderful to see so many of our families attend Purim Palooza at the JCC this year. A very large thank you to our madrichim and teachers for helping to make this event a success.

Concluding the Purim fun, our madrichim planned and executed seamlessly a school-wide Purim themed color wars. Students engaged in some friendly competition testing their knowledge of class related content, Hebrew, and Purim.

Excited to see what the rest of the year will bring!

# TEMPLE'S FIRST ANNUAL WALK/RUN TO BENEFIT SHIM!



Join us for Temple's First Annual Walk/Run to benefit SHIM on Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 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!

Bring non-perishable food donations for SHIM and take home a special Temple Emanuel water bottle!

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!

Click <u>here</u> to pre-register by April 25<sup>th</sup> or print the <u>registration form</u> and return it with your check to the office. Same day registration is available, but t-shirts are not guaranteed for walk-ups or anyone registering after 4/25.

With planning underway, would love extra help, particularly the day of the event! Please contact <u>Steph McFerron</u> or <u>Leslie Hoffman</u> if you'd like to help.

## Adult B'nei Mitzvah

Temple Emanuel's tremendous Adult B'nei Mitzvah cohort has been working throughout the pandemic on their Hebrew, T'filot, Torah reading and understandings, and more. MAZEL TOV to Jennifer Rogers-Anderson, Johnetta Bodnovich, Mary Cothran, Iris Harlan, Alicia Kozel, Charles & Beth Levinthal, Irene Luchinsky, Maria Margolis, Suzanna Mary, Ric & Lois Stotter, Jonathan Williams and Mary Kate Young! Together they will lead us in prayer on May 7th and 21st as a culmination of their studies: please join us in the Beit HaT'filah or on Zoom at 10:30am.



#### Temple Emanuel's Annual Spring Plant Sale – Order deadline is April 14<sup>th</sup>

Choose from potted plants, hanging baskets and flats. Lot of varieties and colors to choose from, including vegetables and, new this year, herbs! Consider making an additional donation toward plants for Temple's SHIM vegetable garden too. Click here for the order form. Print and return it to the Temple office with your check by April 14th. Plants will be available for pick up on May 4th and 5th in Temple's courtyard.

We also need volunteers to help sort the orders on May 4<sup>th</sup> in the morning. If you would like to help, please contact <u>Leslie Hoffman</u>.

#### **Garden Volunteers Needed**

Do you have a green thumb, like to "play in the dirt" or enjoy the quiet serenity of simply watering a garden? If so, help us plant, weed, water and harvest the Temple courtyard gardens and the SHIM vegetable garden this year. No experience necessary! Interested? Contact Leslie Hoffman.

#### **UPMC Children's Hospital**

UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh is now airing videos of Temple's Friday night services on their internal TV station called "Faith" to be able to honor their Jewish patients and their families. We are thrilled to know that Temple will be bringing the light of Shabbat to these families during their hospital stays.

# Musician-in-Residence Weekend with Ellie Flier

#### Friday, April 29th - Sunday, May 1st

We are so excited to welcome Ellie Flier to Temple Emanuel for a wonderful weekend of worship and music!

#### Friday, April 29th

7PM Shabbat Service honoring our Legacy Society Donors in the Beit HaT'filah or virtual (Facebook/YouTube/Website)

#### Saturday, April 30th

7:30PM Family-Friendly Havdalah and More Music! Join us at Temple for wine & cheese, snacks and an evening of music as we say goodbye to Shabbat and welcome the week ahead. Please RSVP to the office via <u>email</u> or phone (412.279.7600).

#### Sunday, May 1st

Ellie will join Torah Center for our last day of school celebration!

Click <u>here</u> to learn more about Ellie.

# Shabbat in the Lot!

April 2: 9:30am May 21: 2:30pm June 4: 9:30am Join us for a morning of fun and connection.
Bring your scooters to ride in the lot, enjoy time on our playground and see friends old and new.

Questions? Contact:

Kate Louik

412-279-7687

klouik@templeemanuelpgh.org

Masks are required indoors at Temple Emanuel.



#### TEMPLE FAMILY MENSCHENINGS

#### SHALOM!

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

- · Pamela Handelman
- · Carly & Michael Khalili and their children Ethan and Mason
- · Sarah & Joshua Mangan and their children Dylan and Caleb
- · Nancy Jennings

# Our condolences on the following bereavements:

- · **Michael Allan Shapiro,** son of Robert Shapiro (December 29)
- Fred M. Rock, father of Steve (Amy Schulman) Rock, grandfather of Melanie & Caroline Rock (January 10)
- · Carol Ann Moltz, Temple Member (January 14)
- · Michael E. Kelly, father of Kimberly (Victor) Walters, grandfather of Anthony & Rachel Walters (January 28)
- · Malvina "Mal" Levy, mother of Philip (Debra) Levy, grandmother of Jason, Andrew and the late Jonathan Levy (February 7)
- · Frances F. Levin, aunt of Lynn (Harvey) Rubin (February 10)
- · Phyllis Ross, wife of past-president, Alan Ross (February 12)
- · **Robert Shapiro,** Temple member and past president (February 22)
- · **Nessa Mines,** Temple member (February 27)

- · Irene Maniglia, aunt of Barbara (Lee) Feldman, (February 28)
- · Mitchell Sperling, Temple member (March 3)
- **Rabbi Sanford Marcus,** brother of Ronald Marcus, (February 26)
- · Carol Spolter, Temple member and wife of Robert Spolter, mother of Stefanie (Michael) Michelle and Aaron Spolter, grandmother of Adriana, Aubree, Alon and Kendra Spolter (March 17)
- **Evelyn Mottsman,** Temple member and mother of Paula (Gary) Brant (March 21)

#### **MAZEL TOV**

- David Zalman Epshteyn, born on February 10. David is the son of Helen Feinstein & Arkady Epshteyn and brother of Ida Epshteyn.
- Aiden Chase Pechart, born on February 16. Aiden is the son of Allison & Adam Pechart and brother of Asher.

#### **B'NEI MITZVAH**

- · Jack Lederman, son of Michael & Kathy Lederman, will become a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, April 2.
- · **Ida Epshteyn,** daughter of Helen Feinstein & Arkady Epshteyn, will become a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, April 9.
- · **Sarah Green**, daughter of Pauline & Jason Green and granddaughter of Marlene Naft, will become a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, May 14.
- $\cdot$  Elias Plutko, son of Barbara & Dante Plutko, will become a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 28.

# **Explorations**

#### Sunday, April 3 at 10:30am – Click here to join on Zoom

Kate Louik, Temple's ECDC Director, will discuss the programs' Reggio Emilia approach, a student-centered and constructivist self-guided curriculum that uses self-directed, experiential learning in relationship-driven environments.

#### Monday, April 4 (Rescheduled from March 28) Click here to join on Zoom

Join Mel and Claire Vatz for "Viral Parodies", a discussion of Mel and Claire's experiences planning, writing, performing and "enjoying the notoriety" of several successful parodies that went viral.

If you'd like to share your knowledge/passion with the congregation and lead a session, please reach out to Amy Pardo.

# NEW: Adult Education Series with Rabbi Meyer, Fridays at 1PM on Zoom

#### April 1, 8, and 15 - Studying the Passover Seder as Torah

The narrative of the Haggadah and the experience it provides was carefully crafted and curated by the early rabbis. Study this text as we study Torah to reveal their concerns and context as we deepen the meaning of your next seder.

# April 22, 29, and May 6 – The Historical Development of Zionism in Reform Jewish Thought

As we prepare for Yom Ha'atzma'ut, Israeli Independence Day, we trace the development of Zionism in Reform Jewish thought and text: from staunchly anti-Zionist to Zionist to today.

# May 13, 20, 27, and June 3 – A Slow But Steady Tikkun L'eil Shavuot

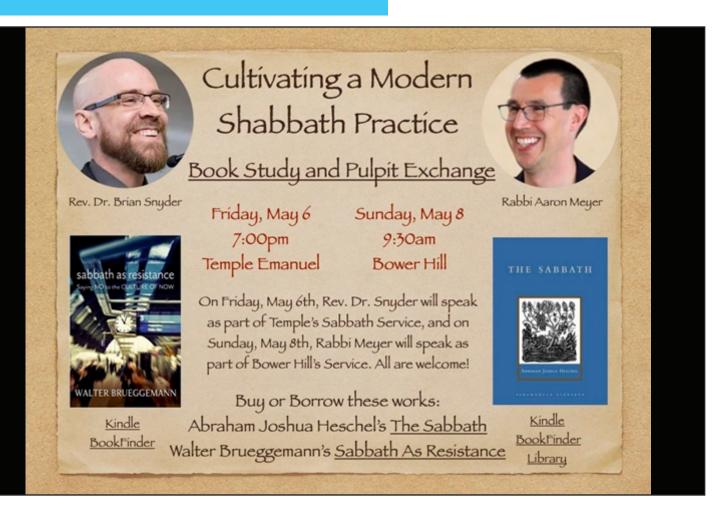
Jewish tradition on the holiday of Shavuot is to stay awake all night studying text. Let's start our studies with a bit more time using selections of Tanakh and Mishnah from the traditional Shavuot text.

While these are 3-part series, you are welcome to attend any or all; no worries if you miss one or even two on a topic!



#### Save the Date:

**Temple's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Summer Blood Drive** will take place on Sunday,
August 21 from 9AM-1PM. Watch your
emails for details on how to register to
be a donor or to volunteer that day.





#### **TEAM SANDWICH**

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: April 12th, May 17th and June 21st

Please contact Susan Hommel if you can help.

Thank you to our January, February and March contributors: Meg & Keith Abrams, Laryn & Moe Finder, JoAnn Goldberg, Erica Goodman, Iris Harlan, Susan Hommel, Nancy Jennings, Avi Levin, Roz & Farrell Levine, Sarah Levinthal, Irene Luchinsky & Allen Beitman, Robin Marcovsky, Judy Nesvisky & Jerry Bitner, Ruth Novice, Plutko Family, Judy & Allan Press, Linda & Paul Richardson, Britt Roteman, Holly Rudoy, Ron & Debbie Schneider, Janice & Teddy Seidenfeld, Alan & Bunny Schorr, Stacy Tafeen, Wellins Family, Weisberg/Hommel Family, and Rachel Zoffer.



#### MEMORIAL DAY BAGEL BRUNCH

The Memorial Day Bagel Brunch is Back!

Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> 10AM-Noon

Boyce Mayview Park Pavilion (behind the Upper St. Clair Community & Recreation Center)

After a 2-year pandemic hiatus, our TERMS (Temple Emanuel Retirees in Mitzvah Service) are planning a FREE fun-filled morning for the Temple community. Delicious food, activities for the kids, time to reconnect with old friends AND make new friends!

Please RSVP via <u>email</u> or call the office (412-279-7600) by May 20th and let us know that you're coming so we'll be sure to have enough food for everyone.



#### YEAR-ROUND SHIM FOOD DRIVE

Food insecurity is a year-round issue for many in of our South Hills neighbors. Drop off your non-perishable donations for SHIM in the collection bin in the courtyard vestibule on weekdays between 9-2 or bring them with you when you come to Temple for services or other programs.

## **Governance Committee Update**

The Governance Committee's main project thus far for the year has been developing the slate of Board candidates for the 2022-2024 Board Term. We are very excited about the depth of knowledge of our congregants and the enthusiasm our members have shown for engaging in Temple leadership.

One of the drivers of Temple's success is a dedicated, engaged, and knowledgeable Board. The Governance Committee is charged by our By-Laws to provide board development which helps to make Board service meaningful and productive, enabling our Trustees and Officers to work most effectively for Temple's success. Board development includes successful onboarding and orientation of our newest Board members as well as trainings and team building activities for the whole board throughout the term.

Our By-Laws also charge the Governance Committee with reviewing Board policies and recommending changes as appropriate, and we have begun that project as well. Keeping an eye toward the future, the Governance Committee is also looking toward congregational leadership development, making sure that there is an engaged cohort of congregants continually ready to take the helm.

The Governance Committee is comprised of Beth Schwartz (chair), Mary Cothran, Rob Goodman, Sarah Kozel, Michelle Markowitz, David Weisberg, Rich Wellins and Jeff Young.

# Recommended Slate for the 2022-2024 Board of Trustees

Per Temple Emanuel's By-laws, the Governance Committee has proposed the following slate of officers and trustees for the 2022-2024 Board of Trustees. The vote to approve the slate will take place at the Congregation's Annual Meeting on Monday, June 6 at 7PM.

#### **Officers**

President Michelle Markowitz

Executive Vice President Beth Schwartz

Vice President Melissa Bihary

Vice President Kathy Ginsburg

Vice President Tracy Barnett

Treasurer Steve Del

Secretary Nate Eisinger

Immediate Past President David Weisberg

**Trustees to Serve Out Terms:** Chuck Silverstein, Mitch Bober, Rich Wellins, Rob Edelson, Sara Wulff, Sarah Levinthal, Kim Walters, Tony Pardo

**Trustees to Serve New 3 Year Terms:** Shawn Levine, Dave Hepps, Liz McCallum, Alicia Kozel, Aviva Diamond

#### TEMPLE EMANUEL Larry and Brenda Miller Memorial Caring Community



The Larry and Brenda Miller Memorial Caring Community has been busy assembling gift bags for Temple families that have welcomed newborns, running errands, and teaming with Temple's wonderful Torah Center students who assembled specially decorated Purim treat bags for our senior members.

Thank you to all Torah Center students and staff and to the following members and families for delivering the treats and for all of their extra help: Paula Altschul, Bonnie Benhayon, The Levinthal Family, The Louik Family, Eric Morgenstern, The Padawar Family, The Plutko Family, The Radunzel Family, The Wulff Family

Special thanks to Sara Wulff and to Leslie Hoffman and Lori Blattner for their continued help and support.

#### What else do we do?

- Send birthday cards to our senior members
- Prepare/freeze meals to keep on hand
- Provide condolences for members who are experiencing loss
- Provide information about Temple's Grief and Loss Support group
- Run errands if special circumstances or needs arise

If you'd like to learn more or become a Caring Community Volunteer, please contact Kim Walters (<a href="mailto:kvwalters585@gmail.com">kvwalters585@gmail.com</a>) and/or Bonnie Benhayon (<a href="mailto:mbbenhayon@gmail.com">mbbenhayon@gmail.com</a>).

# **CIRCLES OF GIVING**

Thank you to those members who participate in our Circles of Giving. By contributing over and above the basic dues, they help to ensure that temple continues to thrive as the center of our jewish community. If you are willing and able to participate, please contact Leslie Hoffman at (412) 279-7600.

# Donor Circle 1

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### **How will YOU assure Jewish Tomorrows?**

What aspects of Jewish life do you cherish most - learning, community, worship, caring for those in need or social justice? Whatever you care about most, by leaving a legacy to Temple Emanuel you ensure that the things you value are sustained for future generations.

To learn more about Temple Emanuel's Life & Legacy program, visit Temple's website or contact Matt Schwartz, Legacy Team Chair at <a href="mattschw71@gmail.com">mattschw71@gmail.com</a> or Executive Director Leslie Hoffman at Ihoffman@templeemanuelpgh. org (412.279.7600).

We look forward to welcoming more members to Temple's Legacy Society. Will you be next?

# From the Social Action Team and ECDC

**Project:** Collection of New/Gently Used Kitchen Equipment and Books for Young Children

When: April 23 - May 1 (drop off in Temple's courtyard vestibule weekdays, 9-2, or when coming to Shabbat services or Torah Center)

To benefit: Clients of Fayette County Community Action Association (FCCAA), Uniontown

#### Wish List for Kitchen Equipment

- baking sheets/pizza pans
- can openers (electric or manual)
- casserole/baking dishes
- colanders.
- cutting boards
- egg makers
- knives for food prep
- mixing bowls
- place mats (not tablecloths)
- pots & pans
- silverware
- spatulas, flippers, big spoons, etc
- storage containers

#### Wish List for Young Children (focus on 0 - 2 years)

- board books for very young
- books for up to Age 2
- books for older siblings also welcome
- baby blankets & crib sheets
- booster chairs

#### Extra requests for families (limited need):

bed pillows, double and queen-size sheets

**Please note:** FCCAA has very limited storage space. If you are interested in donating something that is not on the wish list, please contact Debbie Schneider at <u>debraschneider@verizon.net</u>. She will run it by the coordinator at FCCAA to determine if they have a client who will be able to use it immediately.

**Back Story:** Several women of Temple Emanuel are members of Giving2Grow, a giving circle which pools funds from members and makes grants to organizations that are addressing childhood hunger in SW PA. This is the third year that G2G has funded FCCAA's "Let's Get Cooking!" program. It provides in-home instruction in nutrition, budgeting, and preparing healthy food using inexpensive ingredients, including fresh produce and other items available at food banks. Participants (close to 125 families each year) are first-time pregnant mothers and families with a child under the age of 2. Many of the families lack basic kitchen equipment. G2G members have supplemented the cash grant with donated kitchen equipment in the past two years; in 2021 our ECDC families also responded to an additional request for children's books and collected hundreds of muchappreciated books.

# Stay tuned for updates to the wish list!



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