

Congregation Temple Israel's **2023 ANNUAL REPORT**



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2023 LEADERSHIP

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2024 LEADERSHIP

Incoming President



"I'm truly honored to serve as the next President of TI."

Find out more about our incoming President, Amy Knoblock-Hahn, on page 5.

Officers

Incoming Executive Committee member (*)

- Amy Knoblock-Hahn, President

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- Neil Marglous, Vice President, Membership

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Amy Cohen

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Phil Ruben*

Debbie Schultz

Jerry Thomeczek



Above (left to right) - Trustees serving a first 3-year term: Joe Goldberg, Liz Goldenberg, and Phil Ruben

Outgoing Trustees

Outgoing Trustees will receive a Citation for Religious Leadership Award

- Liz Buchman

Ed Goldberg

Matthew Meyers
- Rachel Protzel

Amanda Roodman

Join us for the 137th Annual Meeting to celebrate our Temple leadership

Friday, December 1 | 6:00 pm Pre-Oneg | 6:30 pm Shabbat services followed by a dessert Oneg and the Annual Meeting

Details on page 20.

Honor our leaders with a Tribute

Making a Tribute donation to honor a Temple Israel leader is a meaningful way to publicly acknowledge and express gratitude for their dedication and contributions to our community. When you make a Tribute, that leader will receive a notification of your donation in their honor. Your Tribute will also be printed in the spring Dateline bulletin.

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO THE CONGREGATION



The days are long but the years are short.

Louise Losos

President (2020-23)

president@ti-stl.org | 314-432-8050

As I look back on 2023 at Temple Israel, I can't help but consider my four years proudly serving as your president. It seems like such a short time ago that I began my term, but at times, it feels like I have been doing this forever. I began my tenure right before COVID, and I am ending it in a time of war. It is difficult to catalog the year when our minds and our hearts are in the East, as we anxiously listen to the news from Israel. As we go about our lives, we can't help but wonder, "will anti-Semitism strike here in St. Louis or at TI?"

But, even in these times, and over these very challenging years, there are pillars that we look to – core foundational values that we at Temple Israel lean on. And it is those core beliefs – Community, Connection, Inclusion, Learning, Worship, Repair of the World, and Change – that connect us and make our congregation strong in good times and in the tough ones.

Community & Connection

When Israel was attacked – we gathered as a community. On Shabbat we looked to our Rabbis and to each other for support. We found strength and solace in each other and we will continue to do so.

Inclusion

Our community is here for each other, and we believe in the strength of our diversity. Be your family traditional, interracial, interfaith, older or younger, single or married, or if you're Black, White, Asian, or from another culture or any ethnicity. Whether you were born into Judaism or chose it, or if you identify as gay or straight, cis or trans – we believe that so long as you want to part of this Reform Jewish community and desire a Jewish connection, then you have a place right here at Temple Israel.

Learning

As Jews, one of our primary impulses is always to learn and to know. During Rabbi Michael's Rosh Hashanah sermon, he

shared ways to combat anti-Semitism, a few of which were to get to know our own history and to continue to strive to learn and grow. To approach the unknown with a mind set on learning first as we seek to understand. When Israel was attacked, one of the first acts of our Congregation was to have Rabbi Michael teach us about Gaza, to help us understand the greater context of what we were seeing. Our Rabbis seem to know just what we need in each moment to engage our minds through sermon and ongoing educational opportunities.

Worship

High Holy Days this year was a brilliant showcase of the talent we have here at TI. Rob & Julie Aronson lit up the Bimah with their voices, and the Ruach band, pianist Dan Vizer, Miss Megan of DECC fame, and the many other incredible singers that accompanied each service made the holidays so special. And of course, the sermons from our Rabbis...just like Friday night Shabbat worship fills our souls for the week ahead, the High Holy Days truly inspired us for the year to come.

Repair of the World

This past year offered lots of opportunities to give back. From our Personal Care Item Drive to baking pies, to the Thanksgiving Dinner and Mitzvah Market, and the many services opportunities held after services such as packing diapers or emergency contraceptive kits for the community, or supporting Monroe Elementary. There are just too many mitzvahs to name! Our community's dedication to making the world a better place for others is simply inspirational.

Change

As reform Jews, we believe in constantly reexamining our traditions, our faith, and our practice. This year the Board took a look at who we were and where we're headed, and for the first time in our history, voted to amend the By-Laws so that we'd be able to have two Senior Rabbis. Believing that our future is stronger with Rabbi Amy & Rabbi Michael

co-leading our Congregation – we were now able to promote Rabbi Michael to Senior Rabbi alongside his Rabbinical partner and wife, ensuring they remain at the helm.

This past year has been a good one. Our Education Center programs, from DECC and Religious & Hebrew School to B'nai Mitzvah and Confirmation, are going strong. This calendar year, we have a Bar or Bat Mitzvah almost every weekend, and our membership continues to grow and flourish.

We have also been so fortunate this past year that a number of large bequests were received, fortifying our building funds and allowing us to embark on some much needed repairs and improvements. If you are considering leaving a legacy gift in your will, Temple Israel's Heritage Society allows you to make a difference in the lives of your Temple family now and into the future. Turn to page 14 to hear from Lou Loebner, a TI member who is proud to establish his legacy at Temple Israel, and to view the names of Temple members who have helped to secure our past, present, and future through a legacy gift.

Finally, as the 37th President of this Congregation, it is my honor to introduce you to the 38th – I'dor v'dor, *from generation to generation*. I began my time on the Board of Trustees when JoAnne Levy was president. I served on the Executive Committee with JoAnne, Dee Mogerman, and Rob Litz as presidents. I am now handing the gavel to Amy Knoblock-Hahn to serve as the 38th president of Congregation Temple Israel. Each president brings a certain style to the role, a new lens on the issues of the day, and a new energy. I am excited to see what the next year will bring knowing that the leadership of Congregation Temple Israel is in great hands with Amy.

Whatever our future holds – and I know it will be good – we will continue to look to our Rabbis for guidance, support, and leadership, and embrace each other for community, connection, and strength in celebration and when we need it most. Please always remember, I am here for you as a past-president, Temple family member, and friend, and that Temple Israel is here for you, always.

L'shalom,



Louise Losos



Introducing Amy Knoblock-Hahn, incoming President of Temple Israel

My husband and I both grew up outside of Missouri, but after moving to St. Louis, we chose Temple Israel and were married in the May Chapel by Rabbi Shook, which makes us a first-generation TI family! Our daughters attended Religious School and were Confirmed here, too. This place is home.

As a registered dietitian nutritionist with advanced education in public health, as well as recently becoming a certified yoga instructor, my personal and professional passion have always been health and wellness. I view my new position here at TI as an extension of that, but instead of physical health, I have the opportunity to look after the health and wellness of our amazing institution.

I'm truly honored to serve as the next President of TI. I know this is a tremendous responsibility. When people ask me why I said "yes" to taking on this role, it really comes down to two things: This is the right time in my life to make this commitment and this is a way to give to the community I love so much that has given so much to me!

Our outgoing President, Louise Losos, has done an incredible job during her four-year tenure. She not only navigated us through the uncertain times of COVID, but she has helped secure our amazing rabbinical staff for years to come, which will greatly impact the future of our Congregation. I think it's fair to say she's leaving the Presidency in an even better place.

As your incoming President, I am eager to meet the members I don't yet know, and I would love to hear your ideas and insights about what I can do to help make our community even stronger than it already is.

In good health,



Amy Knoblock-Hahn



we're here for the year, and for all the years to come!



“

I will always think back to our days at DECC with gratitude and warmth in my heart.”

katherine itz hunter
Preschool parent



“

I look forward to Youth Group events so I can see my TI friends and hang out in the Youth Lounge.”

mason weglarz
Youth Group Participant





“
I’m a fourth-generation member at TI, and I have so many fond memories.”
Julie Follman
Temple member



“
I want you to know how much I appreciated and enjoyed the delicacy TI sent me for my 91st birthday.”
Carolyn Losos
Temple member



FINANCE & INVESTMENT

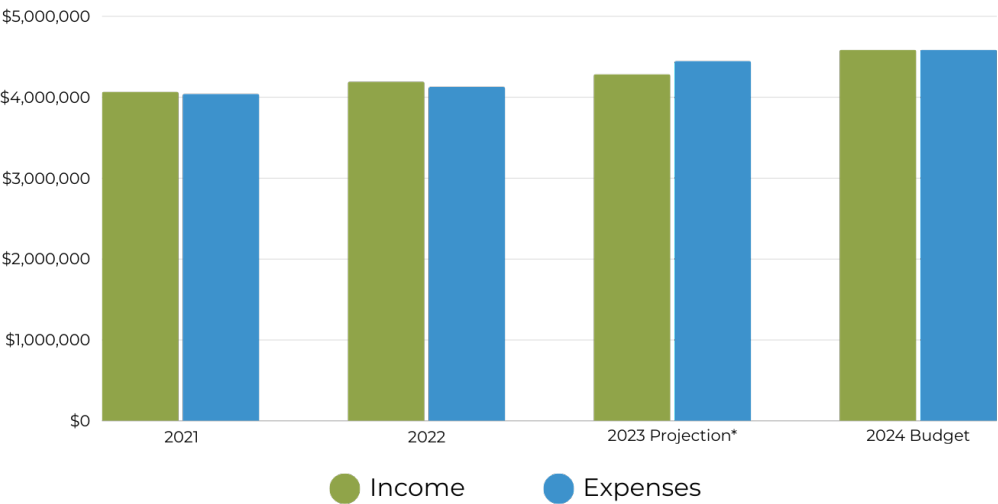
2024 Operating Budget

Congregation Temple Israel operates on a calendar year, and it is the Board’s fiduciary responsibility to pass a balanced operating budget annually. The 2024 budget was approved by the Board on Tuesday, October 24, 2023.



Meaningful Jewish experiences are a staple of our community. Check out upcoming events and programs on page 16.

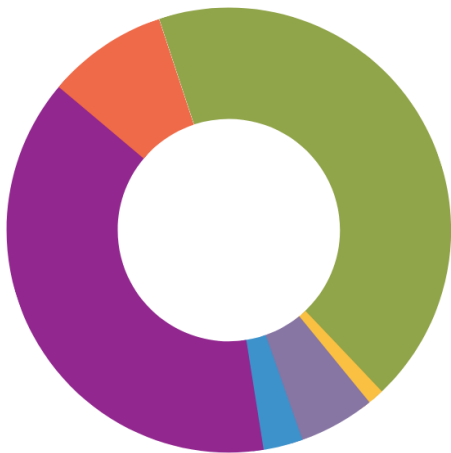
TEMPLE ISRAEL’S OPERATING BUDGET



We are presently expecting an operating deficit for 2023; the Temple will use other sources of funds to cover this deficit. The Finance Committee is happy to discuss and can be reached at writeus@ti-stl.org.

Temple Israel welcomes all people, regardless of financial situation.

Your generosity allows us to be here for all members throughout their unique Jewish journeys.



2023 Projected Income

- Synagogue Support & Tributes: 43%
- Deutsch Early Childhood Center: 38%
- Camp Shook: 9%
- Fundraising: 6%
- Temple Israel Religious School & Youth Group: 3%
- Membership Programming: 1%



Shabbat sponsorships are a great way to celebrate simchas and honor the memory of your loved ones - all while supporting TI. Learn more on page 28 or at: www.ti-stl.org/ShabbatSponsorships

FINANCE & INVESTMENT

Mission-Driven Budgeting

Our decisions align with our Mission and Core Beliefs and support the financial health of our community.



2023 Projected Expenses

- General Operations & Clergy: 37%
- Deutsch Early Childhood Center: 34%
- Maintenance: 7%
- Camp Shook: 7%
- Temple Israel Religious School & Youth Group: 5%
- Membership Programming: 4%
- Communications: 3%
- Kitchen: 2%
- Fundraising: 1%

We are greatly appreciative of Brad Arst, TI's Treasurer; Korina Gabrielson, TI's Assistant Treasurer; Allan Epstein, Chair of our Finance Committee; and our Finance Committee and Investment Committee members for their guidance and expertise.

Find all this fascinating? Learn more about our TI Operations committees at:
www.ti-stl.org/Committees

Read more about our birthday babkas and **meet the fabulous TI staff member,**
Rachel, who delivers them on page 17.





SYNAGOGUE SUPPORT

Temple Israel belongs to you.

Our Core Beliefs, our engaging events, our impactful tikkun olam are all driven by our members - by YOU.

Thank you for all the insight you have brought to our community this year.

Dream big for 2024! We are here for you, and we are better because you're here for us, too.

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THE SHOFAR SOCIETY



The following members of our Rabbis' Circle and Shofar Society voluntarily contribute at Synagogue Support levels that exceed Standard dues. **Their generous gifts represent 46% of our annual revenue from synagogue support**, helping us to bridge the gap between dues income and operating expenses and enabling us to welcome all who seek to join our congregation, regardless of their financial means.

We extend our sincere gratitude to our Rabbis' Circle and Shofar Society members for their generosity. If you would like to join the Rabbis' Circle or Shofar Society, please contact Rachel Wallis Andreasson, Executive Director, at randreasson@ti-stl.org or **314-548-9743**. To read more from Rachel and to view the 2024 Shofar Society giving levels, turn to page 25.

Shofar Society members as of October 31, 2023.

** Denotes new members of the Rabbis' Circle or the Shofar Society*

*** Denotes moving up a level*

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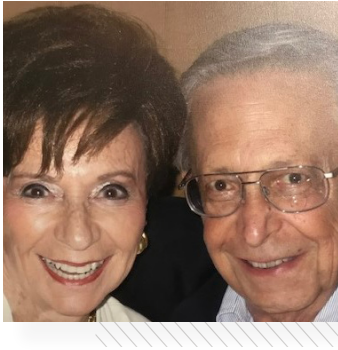


on behalf of Temple Israel's President Louise Losos, our Board of Trustees, and our Annual High Holy Days Giving Committee members Jenny Abeles, Susan K. Goldberg, Sally I. Heller, Amy Lampert, and Jeffrey Stern



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"WHAT CLICKS IN YOU?...WHAT'S YOUR REASON?..."

Lou Loebner's Legacy

Pictured: Lou and his wife, Carole

In the early 1970s, Temple Israel had only four executive officers - the president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. Many Sunday mornings were spent, along with the membership chairman, in the Temple office discussing the operations of the Temple. Lou Loebner fondly reminisces on the close relationships with fellow officers and doing whatever it took to help the Congregation.

Lou's readiness to serve was a part of his heritage here. His family has had a connection with the Temple for six generations. You can spot his mother as a part of the 1911 Confirmation class photo hung in TI's hallway (pictured to the right).



To Lou, raising money was the hardest thing in the world. "It was interesting to talk to people about how they'd like to contribute to the Temple, but it was difficult to ask." In 1989, Lou and his wife Carole decided to leave a legacy gift to TI without anyone having to ask. "I'd devoted thousands of hours to TI, served as treasurer

for 17 years, revised and automated TI's accounting system, was a charter member of the Shofar Society and arranged the first funding of the endowment fund which did not exist prior to my term. I've been happy to be a part of the Temple's success in those ways and leaving a legacy gift was my way to do a little more."

As a CPA for more than six decades, Lou strongly feels that everyone should consider a legacy gift. "It's a question of survival. Costs are going up. Places have to make drastic cuts in expenses. People must contribute to keep things going."

Though Lou spent his career and many, many volunteer hours using his financial skills, his reasons for choosing to leave a legacy to TI are also motivated by something much more personal than the numbers. "I also want to help younger people. I want to be remembered as helping the continuation and growth of Temple Israel. There's something that clicks in you that makes you want to do that."

"What clicks in you with the Temple? What's your reason to consider a legacy?"

Ways to leave your legacy include:

Planned gift through your will or trust | Beneficiary designation of retirement or savings plan | Stock & appreciated assets | Life insurance | Real estate | Charitable Lead Trust | Charitable Remainder Trust

We'd love to discuss your objectives and aspirations for leaving a legacy. Fill out a short interest form on www.ti-stl.org/HeritageSociety and Rabbi Amy will be in touch to discuss the details of your gift.

SHARE YOUR INTEREST IN LEAVING A LEGACY WITH RABBI AMY:

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Thank you to the many generous donors who have left a Legacy Gift to Temple Israel.

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1950-1959

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Maye Weil Koenigberg
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Moe Levy
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Karl M. Vetsburg

1960-1969

Marie Ferbos Eisenstadt
Mabel P. Frank
Milton E. Freund
Newton M. Freund
Joseph Glaser, Jr.
Ida Lipkofsky
Frederick Nussbaum
Oscar Wildman

1970-1979

Gene J. Altman
Mortan B. Anfenger
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Sydney M. Shoenberg
Julian Simon
Hannah C. Stein
Harry Steiner, Sr.
Hannah G. Stolar
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Aladar Wildman
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1980-1989

Hortense F. Baum
Rose C. Brasch
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1990-1999

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2000-2009

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2010-2019

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Carol Littmann
Dr. Marshall Manne
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CONGREGATION TEMPLE ISRAEL is an inclusive community that supports your unique Jewish journey.

CORE BELIEFS

COMMUNITY

We believe that everyone who chooses to be in our sacred community has a valued role.

We believe that authentic, personal relationships are the basis of a caring community.

CONNECTION

We believe that we are connected to one another, to Israel, to the traditions of our past, and to the generations yet to come.

INCLUSION

We believe that a diverse, inclusive community creates Jewish vibrancy, and we respect where everyone is on their personal path.

LEARNING

We believe that a Jewish education should begin with our youngest children.

We believe that lifelong Jewish learning encourages us to live examined lives and wrestle with life's challenges, and that Temple Israel is a place to explore difficult questions at any age.

WORSHIP

We believe that worship should be participatory, joyful, musical, and intergenerational.

REPAIR OF THE WORLD

We believe that it is our responsibility to live Jewishly in ways that change the world for the better.

CHANGE

We believe that being Reform Jews means valuing tradition as we constantly reexamine our faith and practice.



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