## Congregation Temple Israel's

# 2022 ANNUAL REPORT



## **ANNUAL REPORT**

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## 2022 LEADERSHIP

## Officers

Louise Losos, President
Robert D. Litz, Immediate Past President
David Chassin, Vice President, Facilities
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Roy Hendin, Vice President, Governance
Sarah Falkoff, Vice President, Education
Amy Knoblock-Hahn, Vice President, Social Action
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Michael Weiss, Assistant Treasurer
Phil Horwitz, Secretary
Jeff Brown, Member at Large
David Weinstein, Member at Large

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#### Past Presidents

Robert D. Litz, 2018-19 Dee A. Mogerman, 2014-17 JoAnne Levy, 2011-13 Dr. David L. Weinstein, 2007-10 Neil J. Handelman, 2005-06 Cary J. Mogerman, 2002-04 Daniel J. Schwartz, 1999-2001 Ellen Deutsch, 1991-93 Gary A. Follman, 1988-90

## Rabbis & Temple Staff

Amy Feder, Rabbi
Michael Alper, Rabbi
Mark L. Shook, Rabbi Emeritus
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Lesley Goldenberg, Director of Family Education
Sidni Weglarz, Religious & Hebrew School Director
Erin Wolfman May, Communications Director
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Lisa Hirshberg, Manager of Senior Engagement
Debbie Jennings, Catering Manager

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Kim Higginbottom, Family Education
Accounting Manager
Derrick Bryant, Building Supervisor
Maya Poger, Youth Engagement Coordinator
Rachel Leonard, Administrative Specialist
Kin Wan, Education Center Office Administrator
Yuriy Moskalets, Maintenance
Tim Muszalski, Maintenance
Tanner Smith, Maintenance

## 2023 LEADERSHIP

## Officers

Incoming Executive Committee member (\*)
Louise Losos, President
Robert D. Litz, Immediate Past President
Amy Knoblock-Hahn, President-Elect (2024)
David Chassin, Vice President, Facilities
Neil Marglous, Vice President, Membership

Roy Hendin, Vice President, Governance Michael Weiss, Vice President, Education Jeff Brown, Vice President, Social Action Brad Arst, Treasurer Korina Gabrielson, Assistant Treasurer\* Phil Horwitz, Secretary David Weinstein, Member at Large

## **Incoming Trustees**

Executive Committee member joining the 2023 Trustees (\*)

Sarah Falkoff\* Elizabeth Lieberman Becky Pearson

## **OUTGOING TRUSTEES**

## Thank you for your service!

Outgoing Trustees will receive a Citation for Religious Leadership Award

Burt Bromberg Kathy de la Garza Ortbals Sally I. Heller Carol Cohen Beth Deutsch Martha Kreipke

## **AWARD RECIPIENTS**



## Jeremy Shook

## President's Award for Continued Excellence (P.A.C.E) Award

Jeremy Shook joined TI's Board of Trustees in 2007 and served on the Executive Committee from 2014 to 2021. During his tenure, he chaired the Governance Committee and served as an important voice on the House Rules committee. As TI's legal advisor, he oversaw planned giving and facility contracts and was an indispensable resource for our staff. Jeremy has given countless hours to protect the Temple from liability and uphold the reputation of our congregation.

Jeremy also spearheaded the revision of TI's Board bylaws, which had not been updated since 2008. During this three-year process, he skillfully led a task force of attorneys and dedicated a tremendous amount of time and careful thought to aligning the bylaws with our mission and core beliefs, as well as ensuring their relevance to support our Temple's current needs. We cannot thank Jeremy enough for his years of dedication and service to the TI community.

And – possibly of equal importance – we thank Jeremy for his leadership of TI's softball team "The Tribe" who won this year's intercongregational softball league championship, a first in our 20-year history participating in the league!



## Lois Perryman

## Pillar of the Temple Award

Lois Perryman has been single-handedly managing our TI Mitzvah Community Garden for nearly a decade. She saw a patch of land in the Temple's parking lot and had the vision to use it to serve those in need. Each year, she plans, cares for, and harvests some of the most amazing vegetables which she then donates to the Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry to help supplement their offerings with fresh, home-grown produce. Lois not only manages the gardening process but offers volunteer opportunities to TI youth and community groups so that

they can learn more about growing and harvesting food. We are honored to give this award to Lois who exemplifies what it means to be a pillar of the community.

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## 2021 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

## Minutes from the 135<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Congregation Temple Israel

Sunday, December 5, 2021

The 135<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Congregation Temple Israel was held via Zoom, December 5, 2021 at 2:00pm. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm by President Louise Losos.

The 2021 Annual Report of Congregation Temple Israel was distributed to congregants via Dateline and on Congregation Temple Israel's website. Congregants were counted and over 50 people are in attendance providing a Quorum for the Annual Meeting. A motion was made by JoAnne Levy to approve and seconded by Neil Marglous to dispense the minutes of the 134<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. A vote was taken by poll via Zoom and approved. Motion carries.

President Louise Losos delivered remarks, which can also be found in the Annual Report.

Citations for Religious Leadership Awards were acknowledged and each were mailed to outgoing Board Trustees: Julie Follman, Richard Greenberg, Cathy Goldsticker, Adele Lewis, Judy Lewis, Darcy Scharff, Eric Spirtas, Michele Steinberg, and Jeffrey Stern; and to Outgoing Officers of our Executive Committee including Allan Epstein (nominated as new member of Board) and Jeremy Shook.

President Louise Losos presented a slide of our current Past Presidents and thanked them for their continued involvement. Louise then thanked our clergy and staff for the successful year.

Rob Litz, Immediate Past President and Chair of the Nominating Committee, thanked Louise Losos for her leadership and the Nominating Committee. Rob Litz presented the Slate of Officers and new Trustees as recommended by the Nominating Committee.

## Officers

President, Louise Losos
Immediate-Past President, Robert D. Litz
Vice President, Facilities, David Chassin
Vice President, Membership, Neil Marglous
Vice President, Governance, Roy Hendin
Vice President, Social Action, Amy Knoblock-Hahn
Vice President Education, Sarah Falkoff
Treasurer, Brad Arst
Secretary, Phil Horwitz
Assistant Treasurer, Michael Weiss
Member at Large, Jeff Brown
Member at Large, David Weinstein

\*First year on the Executive Committee

## Nominees for a first, three-year term

Korina Gabrielson and Jerry Thomeczek

## Second three-year term

Amy Cohen, Wayne Kaufman, Amy Lampert, Steve Rosenblum, and Debbie Schultz

Rob Litz entertained a motion to approve this slate of Board of Trustees. So moved by Sarah Falkoff and seconded by Mike Weiss. The Slate of Officers and Trustees has been approved and elected.

Rabbi Amy Feder and Rabbi Michael Alper offered a special blessing for the Formal Installation of the Board.

Motion to adjourn the 135<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting made by Cathy Goldsticker, second by Rob Litz. So moved.

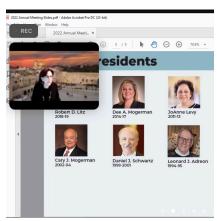
Meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Rachel Wallis Andreasson, Executive Director.

past annual meetings







Left: 2013 Annual Meeting Center: 2019 Annual Meeting Right: 2021 Annual Meeting (virtual)

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## PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO THE CONGREGATION



Louise Losos
President (2020-present)
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In May of 2020, when the world shut down, when our building closed, when we pivoted to virtual congregational work and online-only Shabbat services and programs, many believed that this harkened the beginning of a downward trend for engagement and membership for congregations across the country, including Congregation Temple Israel. However, as Mark Twain has been purported to say – and with some editorial license on my part – "Reports of our death have been greatly exaggerated."

During the first year of the pandemic, we survived; in the second year, we stabilized; and in the third, we began to thrive once again.

#### **Finance**

The Finance Committee, along with the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees, continues to keep a close eye on the impact and effects of inflation on our Temple budget, our staff, and our community. Like most institutions, our endowments have taken a hit during this recent market disruption. However, due to the Federal monies we received as a result of the pandemic, and the ongoing fiscal responsibility of our Board of Trustees, Temple Israel remains in a solid financial place.

Over the last two years we've received funds from the State of Missouri through the Early Childhood Grant, from both the first and second round of the Federal government's Payroll Protection Plans (PPP), as well as anticipated funds from the Employment Retention Credit. Additionally, the sale of the Edison Retreat Center has allowed us to finish a portion of the Reimagining upgrades to our Education Center and replenish our building fund. All of these, combined with the ongoing generosity of our members, has allowed us to maintain our staff and remain consistent in the services we offer our community.

And, though we cannot predict what will occur in the near future, we believe our foundation is strong and that we'll continue to bounce back.

## **Operations & Facilities**

Under the steady hands of our operations team – Building Supervisor Derrick Bryant and Executive Director Rachel Wallis Andreasson – our facilities and grounds are carefully tended and well-maintained. We recently added a new staff member to our maintenance department and believe that this will more evenly distribute the load and improve our day-to-day operations.

Some of the more recent and much needed improvements to our facilities include the replacement of the roof over the May Chapel and foyer, new and updated lighting around our parking lots, and the conclusion of our Reimagining Campaign which continues to help fund renovation projects for our Education Center. In 2023, you'll begin to hear more about new facilities-related opportunities for improvements, which includes upgrades to additional portions of the roof.

## Personnel

This past year has brought a number of changes to our TI family. Leslie Wolf, our beloved Director of Family Education, handed the reins to Lesley Goldenberg, who has brought a new voice to the school, honoring the past while looking toward the future. The smooth transition has allowed our educational programs to continue without interruption. The addition of Sidni Weglarz as Religious & Hebrew School Director and Maya Poger as Youth Engagement Coordinator, alongside Lesley, has created a vibrant team of leaders for our youth.

We've also welcomed new faces on the Temple side of the building; Ashley Purvis has joined TI as Accounting Manager, Rachel Leonard as Administrative Specialist, and Tanner Smith as maintenance support as mentioned above. Our new staffs' smooth transitions into their roles across the building are a testament to the level of effective leadership throughout the organization.



## Reimagining

This fall, the Reimagining Campaign came to a close. As a community, we raised almost six million dollars to rejuvenate the Education Center, which makes TI history as the highest total ever raised by our congregation. And the results of that investment are already clear.

Last January, we welcomed our first group of little ones to our Infant Room, and our teachers have expressed how much they love the new Education Center amenities, accessibility, and security that these upgraded workspaces offer. This past year, we hosted more B'nai Mitzvah – 23 to be exact – than we've had in a very long time, and in 2023, we're slated to have over 30!

Families that start their journey at TI's preschool are staying connected after graduation by signing up for Religious School, followed by Hebrew School, then youth group (TIFTY). This deep connection to our beloved community from birth through the Jewish lifecycle is an integral part of our mission and the foundation for our future.

These successes are due to the support of our school by the Board of Trustees which began decades ago and reverberates through our congregation today, because of the donors who contributed to upgrading the Education Center over the years and most recently our Reimagining donors, and of course, due to our talented and dedicated educators.

## Leadership

I cannot say enough about the professional leadership of our congregation and our Rabbis Amy Feder and Michael Alper, and the many other staff behind the scenes who make us a strong, vibrant, and responsive organization. Our new congregants often reference the warmth of our worship services, the responsiveness and engagement of our staff, and the accolades they hear from

our congregants. All of this reflects on how our leadership conveys our mission and vision throughout the organization both internally and externally.

Finally, as we bring this fiscal year to a close, I want to share the most impressive statistic from the past 12 months. Temple Israel has welcomed 38 new member families to the community! That is a testament to our Rabbis, our professional staff, and to the congregation as a whole, that together, we've created a warm, welcoming environment where our growing community is excited to belong.

Louise Losos

Louis Loss



## year in review

## SNAPSHOT OF 2022



**COMMUNITY** 

**190 guests** came together at Temple Israel's Tu B'av Gala to celebrate love, friendship, and community

**\$84,214 raised** at our Tu B'av Gala in support of the congregation

**38 new Temple memberships** — individuals and families — welcomed from January-October, expanding our community



CONNECTION

The Heritage Society Legacy Giving opportunity was officially launched, connecting our current members to future generations

14 programs were hosted to bring together seniors (adults age 65+)



**INCLUSION** 

**2 holiday gatherings** brought together adults age 65+ with our Temple Israel preschoolers and Religious School students

A variety of techniques were used by our Education Center teachers to support students' different types of learning styles



**LEARNING** 

144 students enrolled in Deutsch Early Childhood Center

**227 students enrolled** in Religious & Hebrew School

12 new classes were led by Rabbi Amy & Rabbi Michael encompassing the holidays, voting Jewishly, and Torah study



WORSHIP

**4,057 in-person guests** attended our High Holy Days services

**2,094 online viewers** enjoyed the High Holy Days virtually

**151.1 Facebook Live** Shabbat service viewers per week (on average)



REPAIR OF THE WORLD 15 weeks spent gathering donations for Monroe Elementary students and faculty; donated items included snacks, Halloween candy and costumes, toys and other gifts for shoppers at Monroe's Holiday store, and appreciation items for faculty

500 Thanksgiving meals made and 150 pumpkin pies baked for those in need

\$65,340 raised for our annual High Holy Days appeal to benefit our community



CHANGE

**4 new Temple staff** hired to support accounting, the main office, Religious & Hebrew School, and building maintenance

**3 new office volunteers** — Jan Nykin, Stephanie Tranen, and Lisa Binowitz — have helped to support our staff and members' needs



## Temple Israel is here for the journey

"We recently had a magical, exciting, and anxiety inducing COVID Bat Mitzvah for our daughter, Lila. To say the Rabbis were there for us is an understatement. They philosophized and studied with her, helped her write when she was stuck, and kept us all calm the entire time! Happily, our journey with Rabbi Amy & Rabbi Michael really started over a decade before when they married us. At Lila's Bat Mitzvah ceremony, Rabbi Amy reflected that we were the first couple she married that has a child she is now "Bat Mitzvahing!" They have been with us all along, and we couldn't be more grateful for their capable guidance."

Morgan & Matthew Meyers

## This year's accomplishments are our collective success

We know that Judaism is at it's best when we do it together, and we're reminded of this each year as we reflect on our accomplishments. These achievements represent the impact we make as a community when we gather to celebrate, to sing and to pray, to do good deeds and help others, to learn and to teach, to give and to ensure our Jewish future, and to feel a little less lonely when we connect with like-minded friends who've become family.

**Temple Israel belongs to you.** It's your center and your compass for Reform Jewish life, led by Rabbis and filled with people who walk beside you on your journey. We are here for you, and we are better because you're here for us, too. Thank you for being a part of Temple Israel and for your commitment to belong. *More details on page 38.* 

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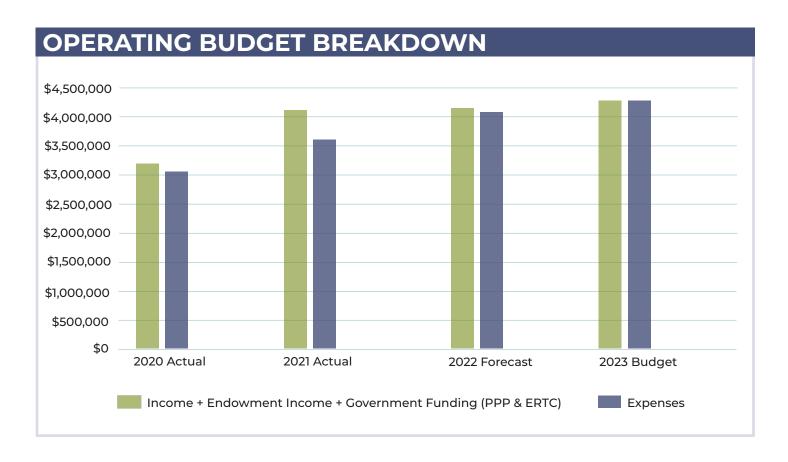


## FINANCE & INVESTMENT

## Operating Budget

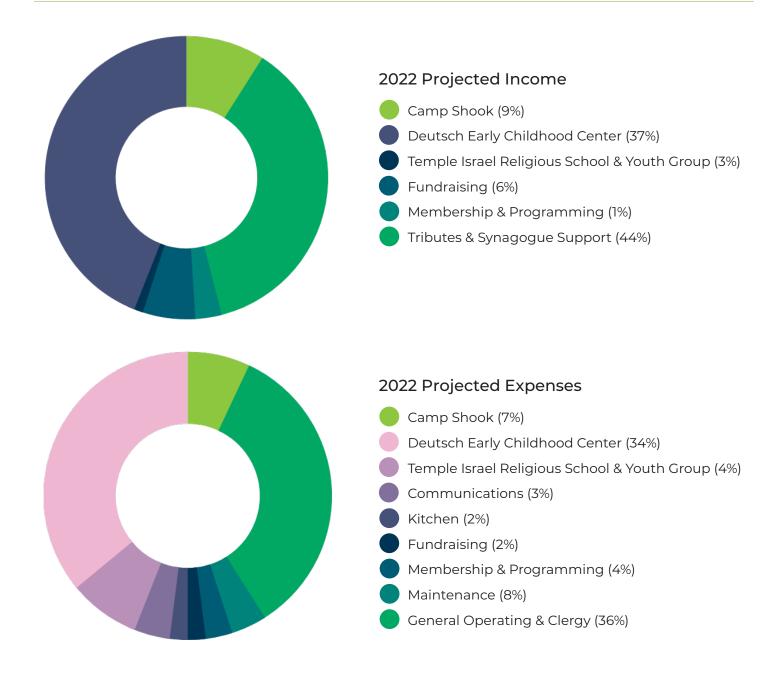
Congregation Temple Israel operates on a calendar year, and it is the Board's fiduciary responsibility to pass a balanced operating budget annually. In 2020 and 2021, Temple Israel qualified for Payroll Protection Program (PPP) funds and in both years received 100% forgiveness by the Small Business Association (SBA). Temple Israel also qualified for the Employee Retention Tax Credits (ERTC) in 2020 and 2021, and submitted the corresponding refund claims in 2022. Additionally, a grant for childcare was received from the State of Missouri and applied in 2022.

The 2023 budget was approved by the Board on October 25, 2022.



## Income & Expenses

To the right is a breakdown of the specific income and expense line items in our operating budget. Per the letter that TI members received earlier this year, Temple Israel sold the Edison Retreat Center and therefore will not have any associated expenses starting in 2023. The Board directed the net proceeds from that sale to be put in Temple Israel's Building Fund. Capital expenses are spent out of our Building Fund based on Board approval. Examples of capital expenses are: roof replacements, campus lighting, parking lot improvements, and HVAC system replacements.



Rising expenses and inflation have affected each one of us individually, as well as affected Temple Israel. Our Board and staff work hard to manage our expenses each year while delivering TI's mission. We are greatly appreciative of Brad Arst, TI's Treasurer; Allan Epstein, Chair of our Finance Committee; and our Finance Committee members for their guidance and expertise. We are grateful for our Temple members who continue to give in various ways to help support the ongoing viability of our Temple community. We could not thrive without your collective generosity.

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## THE SHOFAR SOCIETY



The following members of our Rabbis' Circle and Shofar Society voluntarily contribute at levels that exceed standard dues. **Their generous gifts represent 48% 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.

Shofar Society members as of October 31, 2022. (\*) Denotes new members of the Rabbis' Circle or the Shofar Society (\*\*) Denotes moving up a level

## **RABBIS CIRCLE**

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## Akiba

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#### **SHOFAR SOCIETY**

#### Tekiah Gedolah

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Gordon & Terry Bloomberg
Pamela Dern\*\*
David & Beth Deutsch
Susan K. Goldberg

#### Teruah

David & Martha Aronson\*\*
Donald Blum
Eric & Elaine Bly
Bob & Ellen Brin
Fred & Barbara Flegel
Ed & Dorette Goldberg
Joe & Meredith Goldberg

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Steve & Leslie Melnick Bruce & Caryn Sandweiss Arnie & Sandra Spirtas Chad & Sarah Wallis Lenny & Marty Weinstock Barbara Wielansky

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Jim & Carolyn Eiseman

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Gary & Robin Feder Billy & Dorothy Firestone Sariiane Freiman

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Rob & Julie Aronson

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Jonathan & Patty Bloom Lawrence & Janice Brody Jeff & Amy Brown

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Donations made through November 11, 2022.

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The Andreasson family Harriette S. Arkin Martha & David Aronson Alissa & Brad Arst Cathy & Randy Arst Deborah Asher Fran Axelbaum

Esther Berger and Emily Becker In memory of Ted Berger Bob & Shirley Becker

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and Stephen Alan Dern David & Beth Deutsch Gene & Lee Deutsch Jack & Ellen Deutsch

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Carolyn Henges Lisa Hirshberg and family

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William & Peggy Kornfein

Alan Koshner and Judith Koshner

Martha & David Kreipke

Amy Lampert

Rachel & Jake Leonard Jeff & Louise Levine Karen & Mont Levy

Judith Levy

In honor of Rabbi Amy Feder,

Rabbi Michael Alper, and Rabbi Mark Shook

Tom & Adele Lewis Art & Judy Lewis Joe Liberman

David & Elayne Lieberman Liz & Larry Linkon

Marc Lipnick

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In honor of Louise Losos
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Lynn Wallis

Deborah Warshawski & David Kravitz

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In memory of Lorraine and Jack

Goldman

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Rick Wasserman

In memory of Jane Wasserman

Pamela Weilitz

David & Liz Weinstein

Mike Weiss and family

Terry & Phyllis Weiss

Louise Losos & Beth Wiggins

Larry A. Winner

Deborah Withington

Stephen & Dr. Carolynn Wolff

Alan & Eleanor Wolff

Fran & Steve Zamler

Charles & Gail Zugerman

In appreciation of the streaming

services for the Jewish holidays and in loving memory of John D. Fudemberg



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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## **ABOUT US**

## **MISSION**

**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.

