

TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM NEWSLETTER

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Founded in 1853 and the oldest synagogue in Harrisburg, Temple Ohev Sholom is a diverse and inclusive Reform Jewish Congregation in Central Pennsylvania. We support one another throughout the cycles of life. We foster and encourage spiritual growth, lifelong learning, social opportunities, and connections, and Tikkun Olam—healing the world.

YOM HASHOAH

Reading of Names

On Sunday evening, May 5th at 7:30 pm, Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Memorial Day) will begin with the "Reading of Names" program to be held at Chisuk Emuna Congregation and will continue until Monday May 6th at 7:30 pm. We hope that you and your family will be able to attend this special opening service and stay for a portion of the Reading of Names program. In an effort to pass the torch of remembrance to the next generation, students from congregational Religious Schools and the Silver Academy will participate in the opening ceremony. They will also read names with their parents immediately following the opening ceremony.

The Reading of Names is a vigil in which the names of those who perished during the Holocaust are read continuously over a period of 24 hours. "Unto Every Person There is a Name" seeks to dignify the memories of victims of the Shoah (the Nazi Holocaust) by reading their names aloud. These victims were stripped of their names by their oppressors and tattooed with numbers. Through the public reading of the names of Holocaust victims, this program strives to restore a portion of their humanity and to retrieve them from the lost depths of anonymity.

Temple Ohev Sholom's time slots for reading are Monday, May 6th from 3:00 am to 4:30 am and from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm. For more information or if you would like to sign up for reading, please contact our congregational representatives, Tom Bryant for the middle of the night slots (via ZOOM) at notreif@yahoo.com or Judy Heckert for the afternoon slots (in person) at judith678@verizon.net. You may also contact Jenna Rappaport at the Jewish Community Center at 236-9555, ext.3402 (j.rappaport@jewishfedhbg.org)



MESSAGE FROM RABBI MARC

I look around the world and have to wonder over all the people praying to an infinite God. We remind ourselves from the Psalms, "The span of a human life is but a blink of God's eye."

Our pop culture and religious traditions keep reminding us of this truth. The late Jim Croce blessed my youth with a great many song lyrics that spoke (and speak) to my heart. From "Time In A Bottle," "But there never seems to be enough time to do the things you want to do, once you find them." Tim McGraw shares a lesson from his late father, "Live Like You're Dying." Mitchell Tenpenny tells us, "I'm a cross one off, put two more on it say 'I love you' before the moment's gone, and never have to ask myself 'What if' when I get to the



bottom of my bucket list." Of course, Travis Tritt made a hit singing, "It's A Great Day to Be Alive."

The Mishnah quotes Rabbi Tarfon, "The day is short, the work is plentiful, the reward is great, and the master of the house is insistent."

Schlitz beer taught us, "You only go around once in life, go for all the gusto you can get."

Time is short – don't waste it.

So, we preach it, we pray it, we sing it, we do everything but live it. I am as guilty as everyone else tied to a calendar, trying to keep up (never mind get ahead), needing reminders to breathe, and forgetting that none of us gets to take anything with us. No money, power, or possessions make it past the grave. Still, we dedicate our lives to pursuing all three – and usually at great expense to our health, our relationships, our inner sanctity, and our appreciation of blessings/miracles.

Every war happens because someone wants something someone else has, or because someone wants to keep something from another. We can't celebrate each other's successes because we see them only in terms of what they cost us.

Whereas faith demands that we care for each other even at our own expense, people spend their energy celebrating their successes over others and at the other person's expense.

Life is short. Think about how much more we could enjoy what time we have, if we spent more time enjoying our time. What would happen if we spent time celebrating what others can add to our lives rather than withholding ours from theirs?

John Lennon wrote, "You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us, and the world will be as one."

We are in the days between Passover and Shavuot. Passover celebrates the redemption from Egypt that was and the demand we accept to work for the redemption for the world that must be. Shavuot commemorates the moment Moses receives Torah at Sinai, but more so, the moment that we affirmed, "Na-aseh v'nishma – we will do, as we have heard." Torah demands that we spend our time building the world for each other. Every major religion teaches the same message. As Pete Seeger asked, "When will we ever learn?"

Let's make this year the year we learn and do – and change the world.

Rabbi Marc Aaron Kline, J.D., D.D. Judgment may well up as a wall of water, but Righteousness is the mightiest of rivers.



Refuah Shleimah: Get Well Wishes

We send our prayers and healing energy to members of our Temple Ohev Sholom family and loved ones of members who have been hospitalized or injured in recent weeks or who are facing or have had health challenges. Prayers will be offered during Shabbat services when the Mi Shebeirach blessing is said.

Please contact Rabbi Marc if you would like to add the name of someone you love to the Temple Ohev Sholom healing prayer list, to the list of family members who have died or if there is a celebration or milestone in your life which you want to share with the Temple Ohev Sholom family. Additionally, please let Rabbi Marc know when you are ready to have names removed from the healing list. (Names may be removed after a few weeks if we don't receive an update.)

NEW MEMBER SHABBAT MAY 17TH

Please join us for a special Shabbat Service on May 17th at 7:00 pm when we will celebrate and welcome new members to our Temple Ohev Sholom family. A special oneg shabbat will follow the service. We are pleased to welcome the following new or retruning members:

Amy Labella and Adam Carrick

Brad Forman

David Casher

Erin Leonard

Genevieve Hollenbach and Zakary

Newberry

Irving and Katherine Lewison

Jay Fuhr

Jessica Wolff

Jonathan and Heather Bonime

Jordan Tepper and Roger Baumbach II

Mark and Pam Tulchinsky
Miriam Siegel and Suzanne Rinato
Nick Spies and Sean di Renzo
Olivia Mora and Aubrey Campfield
Rob Brenner
Ross Gertz
Roverto Frazier

Sarah and Jennifer Salenger

Kate Barnes





Community Celebration



Everyone is invited—Come learn about the incredible connections we are forming through Better Together!

Don't miss this Special Event in celebration of our Intergenerational Family!

FREE EVENT SPONSORED BY



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

I cannot believe how quickly this year is flying! On May 3rd, our 4th graders will participate in the last First Friday of the academic year. Dinner will be sponsored by Better Together, our new initiative for teens and "empty nesters" to get together for learning and socializing. Please let Amanda know if you can make it! Services will be at 7:00 pm, followed by dinner and an Oneg at 7:45. Whether you have participated in a Better Together program, or you just want to learn more about it, please join us!

As soon as we received the generous grant for Better Together, we kicked it off in November by painting all kinds of Judaica provided by Color Me Mine. In December we had an Israeli baker teach us how to decorate donuts to celebrate Chanukah Israeli style. Our January program featuring paint and pour with a local artist was unfortunately snowed out. In February we learned Krav Maga, Israeli self-defense. In March we made beautiful, rainbow inspired hamantaschen, and last month we made three different kinds of Sephardic and Mizrahi charosets and learned about different Passover customs. Another component of Better Together is talking to and teaching the teens about Jewish values related to the elderly. There is also a writing contest with prizes. Hopefully, we will have stronger momentum and more participation next year. If you have ideas for programs, or want to help me keep this ball rolling, please let me know!

On April 28th, our 7th graders helped run the 2nd annual Religious School Family carnival, a great way for the whole family to participate in our end of year celebrations.

Our last day of Religious School is May 5th, which is the same day as the Reading of the Names. This community-wide Reading of Names program is a Holocaust commemoration where the names of those who perished during the Shoah are read continuously for a period of 24-hours. Each year, 7th graders from each of the congregational religious schools and the Silver Academy lead the opening ceremony of the Reading of Names. It has proven to be a most meaningful experience for the students and their families. Given that the students have been learning about the Holocaust in the Shamor V'Zachor program, their participation in the Reading of Names is even more appropriate. This year's Reading of Names will take place at Chisuk Emuna Congregation beginning on Sunday evening, May 5th at 7:30 pm and continuing through Monday evening, May 6th at 7:30 pm. On the morning of May 5th, at 10:00 am, our 6th and 7th graders will participate in a memorial at the Holocaust monument. It is a moving event, and I encourage you all to attend.

This month, on May 19th, we celebrate the Being Mitzvah of Tucker Friedman, who I had the pleasure of teaching as a Kindergartener at Silver Academy and on June 1st, we celebrate the Being Mitzvah of Chloe Bourassa whom I only met last year. Both Tucker and Chloe have been a pleasure to work with and their teachers and I are so proud of them.

As we close out this academic year, we want to reinforce how important Jewish education is to our children. We so appreciate your entrusting us to guide them on their educational, cultural, and spiritual journey. We know that parental involvement makes learning about Judaism even more special, and we encourage you to become

involved in Religious School as a teacher, or as a guest chef, speaker, dancer, artist -- you catch my drift! Please reach out to me so that we can find ways to enrich the entire family's experience.

Finally, a huge thank you to all our parent volunteers along with our teachers and Hebrew tutors; Cara Grossfeld, Deb Davidheiser, Sarah Greenwald, Rob Brenner, Julie Goddard, Ann Rosenberg, Jennie Barr, Jenna Rappaport, Doreen Evrard, Mitchell Susswein, and Jeanne Friedlander. I'm grateful to work with such talented individuals. Our teachers are invaluable and are the backbone of our Religious School. Thank you for another wonderful year!

Thanks, Sally Jo



Temple Ohev Sholom Rabbinic Search Committee Update

The committee's composition is complete with 11 members (in alphabetical order): Shelley Adler, Bruce Feldman, Irith Harpster, Jonathan Hjelm, April Hutcheson, Reyna José, Tony Lepore, Leslie Locy, Ari Nepon, Andrew Rose, and Gary Rosenstrauch.

An initial in-person meeting will be held in early May to review the mission, tasks, and timeline. The goal is to have our application available on URJ's online position vacancy portal no later than October 1, 2024.

Regular substantive updates to the congregation will be provided via the Temple Ohev Sholom newsletter and/or the weekly email "Sholom-a-Gram".

Please direct questions to Shelley Adler at sladler@aol.com and/or Bruce Feldman at brucebaf@hotmail.com.

SISTERHOOD REPORT

Dear Ohev Family,

First off, we want to thank everyone who donated to Sisterhood's annual donor drive. We received an amazing amount of financial support. For those of you who attended the donor thank you event, you know what a wonderful evening it was.



Great appreciation to Bob Wolff who brought his wine-tasting and pairing expertise to the April 11 event at the temple. We all had a great time and learned a lot about wines.

This month we are gearing up for our installation program scheduled for 7 p.m. on May 2 when we will vote on our new slate of officers. That slate includes Jeanette Krebs and Jodi Neuschwander as Co-Presidents, Doreen Evrard and Simi Raynor as Vice Presidents, Frankie Glass as Recording Secretary and Linda Stewart as Corresponding Secretary. We are excited about the new leadership team and invite everyone to attend the installation event. Refreshments will be served.

Also, this month, we will be holding our annual planning meeting at 10 a.m. on May 19 at the temple. During the meeting, we will discuss our programming for the 2024-2025 year. As always, everyone is invited to attend.

Thank you to all who participate in Sisterhood events!

Best, Jeanette Krebs and Reyna Jose Co-Sisterhood Presidents

Many Thanks

Thank you to my Temple and Sisterhood family who sent cards and letters, made phone calls and visits after the death of my beloved husband, Ken.

All were much appreciated and welcome.

You made my life and days better and bearable.

Linda Stewart

SISTERHOOD INSTALLATION



TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM SISTERHOOD INSTALLATION

THURSDAY MAY 2 7 P.M.

We are excited to install our Sisterhood 2024 - 2026 slate of officers. Come give them your support and have some fun.

Learn what Sisterhood is all about.



Sisterhood Planning Meeting

COME SHARE YOUR PROGRAM IDEAS AND/OR LEARN ABOUT SISTERHOOD...

Sunday, May 19th 10am in Sisterhood Hall

R.S.V.P. to Jeanette Krebs at jeanettedkrebs@gmail.com or Jodi Neuschwander at jjnoosh@hotmail.com



MAZEL TOV:

Mazel Tov to parents Jami and Rob Friedman and sibling Mason Friedman. Tucker will become a Bar Mitzvah on May 18, 2024. He is currently a 7th grade honor roll student at Central Dauphin Middle School and lives in Harrisburg with his parents, his brother, and his dog, Piper. He enjoys playing basketball, baseball, golf, flag football and loves to ski. Tucker's Torah portion is Emor. In the parashah, God has given Moses instructions, which he relays to the people of Israel. These instructions include the way sacrificial offerings work and provide a calendar of celebrations, such as Shabbat, Pesach, and Sukkot. Tucker's



mitzvah project supported the ExtraLife program to benefit the Children's Miracle Network at Penn State Children's Hospital. This mitzvah project involved Tucker & his 7 closest friends pledging to play games for 10 hours straight while raising over \$3,500 in pledges to help sick kids. Tucker would like to thank Rabbi Marc and Sally Jo for all their help preparing him to become a Bar Mitzvah. He would also like to thank his brother, Mason, for his humor and love, and for always being ready for a [not so friendly] game of HORSE! Finally, Tucker would like to thank his parents for their unwavering support and guidance and for always believing in him.

On June 1, 2024, Chloe Elizabeth Bourassa, a seventhgrade student at Crossroads Middle School will celebrate her B'Mitzyah.

Chloe is the daughter of Eric and Dara Bourassa and the younger sister of Ryleigh Bourassa. Chloe likes to competitively swim, play volleyball, read, and ride in the front seat of the scariest rollercoasters at Hershey Park. For Chloe's service project, she wanted to give back to the older adult population. She volunteers at Artis Senior Living, a Memory Care community, in Lemoyne, PA, and plans to continue volunteering there after her service project is completed. Chloe enjoys helping the residents with their crafts and activities and talking with them.



Chloe's Torah portion is B'chukotai 26: 14-23 from the Book of Leviticus.



TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM SISTERHOOD & RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



THEDAKAH COLLECTION

Join our year long Tzedakah collection for JFS Food Pantry, Bethesda Mission, Shalom House, Downtown Daily Bread and Caitlin's Smiles.

Jewish Family Services Pantry

- ☑ Non-Perishable Kosher and Non-Kosher food
- **™** Toiletries
- ☑ Cleaning Supplies
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Vegetables
- M Canned Fruits
- Cooking Oil
- M Pasta

Bethesda Mission & Downtown Daily Bread

☑ Socks & Underwear for Women & Men

Shalom House

- ☑ Plastic Utensils
- ☑ Paper Plates/Napkins
- ☑ Cups
- ☑ Wash Cloths
- ☑ Body Wash
- ☑ Deadorant
- ☑ Body Lotion
- ☑ Cleaning Supplies
- ☑ T-shirts
- ☑ Socks & Underwear
 - 4T-14/16
- ☑ Gift Cards to
 - Walmart/Target

Caitlin's Smiles

- Play Dough
- ☑ Crayons
- Washable Markers
- M Note pads
- ☑ Coloring Books
- M Journals
- Activity Books
- M New Small Toys
- ☑ Gift Cards: Dollar General, Dollar
 - Tree, Michaels,
 - Walmart, Staples

DONATION BINS ARE LOCATED IN THE TEMPLE LOBBY
NEAR THE OFFICE THE SANCTUARY/ SOCIAL HALL
VESTIBULES

Any items being shipped directly to the Temple Office via Amazon, Walmart, Target etc, please include a note for the intended social action food drive.



Last year, over 500 Pennsylvanians descended on Harrisburg with CeaseFirePA, the organization we are working with on our Campaign to End Gun Violence, to demand our legislators move forward essential life-saving bills. A few weeks later, the first bipartisan policies in years passed the PA House.

That's why we're headed back to Harrisburg on May 7th with CeaseFirePA, to keep fighting for the lives of our children, neighbors, friends, and family. With 100+ Reform Jews joining in, we are confident this can move even more bipartisan policies out of the PA House, and let the Senate know we need them to act as well. Will you be one of those 100?

REGISTER TODAY!

Schedule for the day:

9:00 - 9:30 AM: Arrive in Harrisburg,

Check-In

10:00 - 11:45 AM: Advocacy Meetings & Drop-Bys with Legislative Offices (meetings

scheduled on your behalf)

12:00 - 1:00 PM: End Gun Violence Rally/ Press Event on the Front Steps of the Capitol

(tentative timing)

2:45-3:15 PM: Debrief **3:30 PM:** Busses Depart

RAC-PA Campaign
TO END GUN VIOLENCE
ADVOCACY
DAY with
CEASEFIREPA

Reform Jews
William to stand
idly by.

Tues. May 7, 2024
PA STATE CAPITOL,
HARRISBURG
RAC.org/May7

PROUD
PENNSYLVANIA

Transportation: Busses will be provided from Allegheny County, Chester County, Delaware County, Montgomery County & Philadelphia. RAC-PA folks from all other parts of the state will be sent an email to help coordinate carpooling.

T-shirts: After registering, you will receive an email from RAC-PA to place your order for our brand-new 2024 RAC-PA t-shirts!

Register by Friday, April 19th in order to ensure your advocacy meetings get scheduled and your t-shirt arrives on time.

See you in Harrisburg! Rachel Beck RAC-PA State Organizer

PS- Remember to sign up for our March 19th Call-in Day if you haven't already!

TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM BOOK CLUB

2024 months and books:

(All book club gatherings take place at 11:00am in the conference room behind the main sanctuary)
May 19th: *The Photographer of Mauthausen*, by Salvo Rubio (Dead Reckoning 2020), historically based story about a Spanish press photographer who ends up in a concentration camp; graphic novel. **appropriate for youth



JON SNAVELY'S Birthday CELEBRATION

RSVPs appreciated
Gretchen 717-514-2818
gallison@psu.edu

Temple Ohev Sholom 2345 N Front St Sisterhood Hall

Celebrating a special occasion or commemorating a yahrzeit?? How about making a donation in honor of that occasion or person by sponsoring an Oneg or purchasing flowers for our bema on Shabbat??

To sponsor an Oneg, please contact Doreen at <u>Doreen819@verizon.net.</u>

To provide flowers for our bema, contact Fran at Fr1ca19@yahoo.com.

Your name and special occasion or special person you are honoring will be listed in our Friday evening Shabbat handout.



WANTED: Bicycles

Hello,

Recycle Bicycle Harrisburg has been providing bicycles to the community for 23 years. We take donations of bicycles and after inspection place them in our Earn-A-Bike rack. These bikes are given free to individuals who help us with the needed repairs to make the bike safe to ride, thereby earning the bike.

Currently our inventory of adult bikes, 26" tires, is low. We are reaching out to all our resources to ask if there are any bikes no longer being used or needing repair sitting around. *Any bike, in any condition is of value to us.* Even if they are in the trash!

We anticipate a great need for bicycles this spring. Last week we gave away 36 bicycles. And it was early March!

If you or anyone you know has a bicycle that could be donated, we would be grateful for that donation. Please drop bikes off during our open hours. You could also help us with posting a note in your church bulletin, community center, or school.

If you have any questions, feel free to call Recycle Bicycle Harrisburg during shop hours at (717) 978-3919 or e-mail contact@RBHburg.org.

Thank you for all that you do, Recycle Bicycle Harrisburg

RECYCLE BICYCLE HARRISBURG SHOP HOURS:

MONDAY

TUESDAY

SATURDAY

12:00 pm- 4:00 pm

5:00 pm- 8:00 pm

9:00 am- 12:00 pm

COFFEE TALK

COFFEE TALK

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. Note new time & location!

We will be rotating coffee shop locations around the Susquehanna Valley so that we can expand our reach to as many people as possible in our congregation who may wish to participate. We have members living in Camp Hill, Hershey, Mechanicsburg, Carlisle, Harrisburg, and Dillsburg.



For the month of May, we will gather at First Watch, Camp Hill for wonderful coffee and conversation with the Temple Ohev Sholom community!

First Watch 101 Senate Ave Camp Hill, PA 17011

If anyone has a favorite coffee shop, they would like to suggest please email Irith Harpster at <u>irithharpster@gmail.com</u> and we will add it to our list.

You are invited for informal coffee and conversation

Tuesdays—9:30 am

This May Join us at First Watch on the West Shore

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

May Shabbat Services:

May 3rd	6:00pin First Friday Potluc	
	7:00pm	Services
	7:45pm	Better Together
May 10th	6:00pm	Services
May 17th	7:00pm	Services - New Member
		Shabbat
May 24th	6:00nm	Services - Confirmation

6.00nm

6:00pm Services with Old World

Folk Band

First Friday Dothuck

Reminder:

May 31st

May 2rd

Please note that it is always a 7:00 p.m. First Friday Service (with a congregational potluck beforehand at 6:00 p.m.), 2nd Friday of the month services are at 6:00 p.m., 3rd Friday services are at 7:00 p.m., and the 4th Friday services are at 6:00 p.m. They alternate. Torah Services are going to take place on the 3rd and 4th Fridays of each month, unless otherwise noted.

Don't Miss Out! Follow us on social media so you never miss an update!

Friday Night Services are available on Friday Night and Saturday Morning LIVE!







This May Join TOSS Social Action in a Collection for

- **Household Cleaning Products**
- Cleaning Wipes
- Laundry Detergent
- Dishwasher Liquid
- Zip Lock bags: large/quart
- & Paper Products
- **Paper Towels**
- Toilet paper
- Plastic Silverware
- Paper Plates

SHALOM



Bring Donations to the Temple Office



Shalom House is a shelter that creates a pathway to lasting independence for women and children through collaboration and community.







Purses For a Purpose, Inc.

And Temple Ohev Sholom Social Action Committee

DONATION DRIVE

Donate mid-sized purses and travel-sized toiletries (including feminine hygiene products) to women in need.

April through May

Drop off items to Temple Ohev Sholom 2345 North Front Street Harrisburg, PA 17110

For more information, please contact Irith at irithharpster@ohevsholom.org







CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SAVE THE DATE

At its April board meeting, the Board of Trustees voted to conduct the Temple Ohev Sholom Annual Congregational Meeting on June 25th at 7:00 p.m. in Sisterhood Hall.





OLD WORLD FOLK BAND

MAY 31

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6:00 pm

The Old World Folk Band will be performing during services on Friday night. 12 05693 3053



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THE FAMILY



AUTHOR KAREN ROSTEKER- GRUBER & RABBI RON ISAACS

ANNUAL SISTERHOOD DONOR EVENT

WINE TASTING, HORS D'OEUVRES & DESSERTS















BOWLING WITH BROTHERHOOD

























PASSOVER

SECOND NIGHT SEDER





















TOT SHABBAT



TOT SHABBAT
TILL FALL!

May 4 at 10 am

FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN, JOIN RABBI MARC AND LORI FOR SONGS, STORIES, AND SNACKS AT

TOT Shabbat

FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 10:00AM IN THE LEHRMAN CHAPEL







A portion of the ticket sales go to the Temple
COME CELEBRATE SHABBAT & JOIN IN ON THE FUN
SEE YOU THERE!!

JEWISH MOTORCYCLE CLUB





Since being recognized by the national JMA (Jewish Motorcycle Alliance) late last year, we've settled on the club's formal name A K Riders, short for Shvitzing Alte Keker which basically translates to sweaty old men. We have 2 rides per month scheduled through September. The most recent ride was on March 17th to the Sunbury area with an afternoon meal stop included. Community giving: the club is planning on helping Temple Ohev Sholom with the annual summer picnic, helping raise money by riding in the breast cancer survivor ride Elizabethtown / Hummelstown, and we'd like to help in a local blood drive (federation if they have one) or other community events. We welcome any opportunity to give back. If you are interested or have any questions about the group, please contact David Feldman at 717-712-2644 or dfeldman4490@gmail.com

Thanks,



TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM

Mission, Vision, Core Values and Goals

Ohev Sholom 2024 Results of Strategic Workshops

Vision Statement

Temple Ohev Sholom strives to be an inclusive Reform Congregation to serve the evolving needs of Jewish Life in Central Pennsylvania for current and future generations. Our Community will empower all people to create and to sustain a meaningful relationship to Judaism through worship, education, social engagement and

Mission Statement

Tikkun Olam.

Founded in 1853 and the oldest synagogue in Harrisburg, Temple Ohev Sholom is a diverse and inclusive Reform Jewish Congregation in Central Pennsylvania. We support one another throughout the cycles of life. We foster and encourage spiritual growth, lifelong learning, social opportunities and connections, and Tikkun Olam—healing the world.

Core Values

As Harrisburg's oldest synagogue and only Reform Congregation, Temple Ohev Sholom espouses and commits to these five Core Values:

- 1. Honoring our Jewish heritage today and in the future.
- 2. Cultivating a congregational culture of belonging.
- 3. Being committed to inclusivity and diversity.
- 4. Healing the world Tikkun Olam.
- 5. Facilitating lifelong learning.

1. Honoring Jewish heritage and tradition by:

- Gathering in worship that is rooted in Jewish tradition and enhanced with contemporary prayer, music, art, and teaching.
- Creating inspiring worship experiences that enrich our spiritual lives both personally and communally.
- Communicating and modeling the vision that the Jewish people (here, in Israel, and throughout the world) will live in peace and security with our neighbors.
- Enabling congregants to feel pride in being part of a Jewish community and to engage Jewish values to shape their lives, actions, and commitments.
- Empowering congregants to access Jewish tradition and to navigate their own Jewish paths.

• Ensuring an authentic way to be a Reform Jew in the Greater Harrisburg community; and offering a safe place to be a Jew.

2. Providing a supportive environment and culture of belonging for all congregants, by:

- Prioritizing a sense of "belonging" within a congregation that knows each member personally, building deep and enduring friendships.
- Ensuring that congregants of all ages feel a connection to the Temple and its clergy as their spiritual home.
- Offering meaningful opportunities for all age groups to socialize, engage and connect within our community.
- Supporting one another in times of joy, in times of need, and moments in between; and
- Sustaining a culture of respect among clergy, staff, and lay leaders.

3. Promoting inclusivity and diversity, by:

- Welcoming all people into Ohev Sholom.
- Encouraging participation from all who seek a connection to Jewish life regardless of religious background or expression of faith, race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, ability, age, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, or political affiliation.
- Engaging non-Jewish spouses and partners and relatives of our Jewish members in congregational life and worship.
- Promoting dignity in programming and in action; and
- Offering a safe and accessible place to worship and to be Jewish.

4. Working to heal the world, by:

- Focusing on acts of kindness inside and outside the Temple.
- Caring for the Greater Harrisburg Community via active involvement.
- Combating antisemitism through education and activism; and
- Fighting for justice, sustenance, and dignity for all people.

5. Creating and cultivating a culture of lifelong learning, by:

- Delivering engaging educational opportunities that are meaningful and relevant for congregants at each stage of life.
- Providing opportunities to exchange ideas and gain new insights and perspectives.
- Interpreting traditions through the lens of our changing world; and
- Serving as a resource for non-Jews to learn about Judaism.

MAY KADDISH LIST

To make sure we are not missing anything, we are in the process of updating our records. As such, if you have not received a letter notifying you of the Shabbat service kaddish date for your loved one, or, if you have loved ones whose yahrzeits you wish to have remembered, please contact the Temple Office at 717-233-6459.

May 3

Fanny Ascher Louis Astrachan Harold Berman Bessie G. Brenner Sophie Rae Cibull Frieda L. Dietz Regina Galowitz Joseph Goldsmith Svlvia Frahm Graber Isadore A. Greene Jacob Miller Lenore J. Miskin William Poolman Leah P. Rosen Samuel Rosen Tobe Schwartz Rose Pyke Strouse Samuel Weinberg

May 10

Samuel Baturin Bertha Breder Senn Samuel D. Chirsan Edith F. Cole Conrad Elfenbein Samuel Elfenbein Florence Rapkin Goldberg Mae Gutschmit Mildred E. Hand David Hutzler Morris E. Jacobson Mareaner Levy Evelyn Rosenstrauch Kathrvn Schwartz Ida Spector Marvin Zisman Beverly Zerwitz Zlotoff

May 17

Deborah Cohen Bruce Philip Cooper Leo Disend Rose Frahm Joseph Goldsmith Peisah Gordin Irene R Gottfeld Sidney Greenspan Jeanne Hammer Irving Hand Fannie Jacobs Margaret E. Kenney Vincent Klawansky Carole Kramer Molly R. Koppelman Donald Joseph Levy Sophia Lowengard Bernice Melnicove Meryl Mora Joseph Nachman Chervl F Plawsky Albert Posner Helen Repshas Libby Rosen Wolfe Sachs Morris M. Serata Ella V. Spector Kenneth Stewart Sr. Martin Weitzman

May 24

David Alexander
Martin Arch
Rabbi Bookstaber
Helen E. Cherksey
Esther Jacobs
Nathan Lehmayer II
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Amalia Moss
Beatrice Orman
David Rosen
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Stephanie Arch
Strotbeck

May 31

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APRIL CALENDAR

May 2nd	7:00 pm – Sisterhood Installation
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May 3rd 7:00 pm – Shabbat Services with 4th graders

7:45 pm – Better Together program

May 4th 9:00 am – Virtual Torah Study with Rabbi Marc

10:00 am – Tot Shabbat (last one till Fall)

May 5th 9:30 am – Last day of Religious School

7:30pm - Reading of the Names at Chisuk Emuna

May 7th 9:30 am – Coffee Talk – First Watch in Camp Hill

May 9th 7:00 pm – Board of Trustees Meeting

May 10th 6:00 pm – Shabbat Services

May 14th 9:30 am – Coffee Talk – Coffee Talk – First Watch in Camp Hill

May 17th 7:00 pm - New Member Shabbat & Oneg

May 18th 9:00 am – Virtual Torah Study with Rabbi Marc

10:30 am - Be Mitzvah Tucker Friedman

May 19th 10:00 am – Sisterhood Board Planning Meeting

10:45 am – Confirmation Class 11:00 am – Spring Book Club

12:45 pm - Memorial for Susan Evans at Mt. Moriah Chapel

2:00-4:00 pm - Jon's Birthday Party

May 21st 9:30 am – Coffee Talk – First Watch in Camp Hill
May 24th 6:00 pm Shabbat Services – Confirmation & Oneg
May 25th 9:00 am – Virtual Torah Study with Rabbi Marc
May 28th 9:30 am – Coffee Talk – First Watch in Camp Hill

May 31st 6:00 pm – Shabbat Services featuring the Old World Folk Band

Looking forward to June:

June 1st	10:30 am – B'Mitzvah - Chloe Bourassa
June 2nd	1:00 pm - Ken Stewart Memorial

June 21st 6:00 pm – Harrisburg Senators Game/Shabbat Services INSIDE

June 25th 7:00 pm – Congregational Meeting

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Term Length

Trustee Name

Board Position

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Exec Board of				
Trustees	President	Audrey	Miner	2022-2024
Exec Board of Trustees	President-Elect	Daniel	Green	2022-2024
Exec Board of Trustees	Vice President	Ari	Nepon	2022-2024
Exec Board of Trustees	Vice President	Tim	Carre	2023-2025
Exec Board of Trustees	Financial Secretary	Erika	Saunders	2023-2025
Exec Board of Trustees	Secretary	Elissa	Arch	2022-2024
Exec Board of Trustees	Treasurer	April	Hutcheson	2022-2024
Exec Board of Trustees	Immediate Past President	Rob	Teplitz	2022-20224
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Linda	Stewart	Presidential Appointee. Term expires with current President in 2024.
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Irith	Harpster	Presidential Appointee. Term expires with current President in 2024.
Board of Trustees	Trustee	David	Geller	2022-2024
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Andrea	Grove	2022-2024
Board of Trustees	Trustee	April	Hutcheson	2022-2024
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Monica	Lutkins	2023-2026 (3 year)
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Cindy	Lynch	2022-2025 (3 year)
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Vacant		2022-2024
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Richard	Sgrignoli	2021-2024 (3 year)
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Dara	Bourassa	2023-2025
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Vacant		2022-2024
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Eileen	Forman	2023-2025
Board of Trustees	Trustee	Jonathan	Hjelm	2023-2026 (3 year)
Sisterhood	Sisterhood Co- Presidents	Reyna	Jose	Board seat is guaranteed per bylaws while President of Sisterhood.
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