New synagogue community of Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple and The Temple-Tifereth Israel

**JULY 2024** 

# Welcome to Congregation Mishkan Or!

As Mishkan Or's first co-presidents, we are grateful to begin this journey with you.

We are excited to embrace new opportunities for worship, connection, friendship, education, impact and more. We look forward to celebrating Shabbat, sharing life's joys and





sorrows, and deepening our connection with Jewish tradition and with each other.

Together with an amazing clergy team (pictured below) and staff, we have no doubt we will build a vibrant, welcoming spiritual community that flourishes. Our work will have a lasting effect on our families, the Greater Cleveland community, and the Reform Jewish movement.

Let's inspire, learn, and grow together as we write the next chapter of our shared story. We always want to know what you're thinking so please don't hesitate to reach out to us at president@mishkanor.org.

Beth Dery & Michele Krantz Co-Presidents, Congregation Mishkan Or





## Fellow Mishkan Or congregants,

We're pleased to offer you this guide to Congregation Mishkan Or, a resource designed to help with the transition to our new, combined congregation.

Highlights include:

- Worship services and streaming information
- Key contacts, website and social media info
- Q&A on education, facilities, parking and more
- Recent donations
- Remembering members who recently passed

As we transition to our new name, new brand, new physical home (for some), and new ways of operating, we hope you will use this information to reach out, participate, and engage with our amazing clergy, staff and congregants.

L'Shalom,
Julianna Johnston Senturia
Executive Director,
Congregation Mishkan Or

## Services & Worship

Shabbat Evening Services: Every Shabbat (Friday) evening beginning July 5, 2024, Congregation Mishkan Or will offer a 6 p.m. Shabbat Service in person or virtual, with soothing prayers, inspiring teachings and uplifting music. Congregants may also live stream services from mishkanor.org.

#### Shabbat Services, 6 p.m., in person and virtual:

Friday, July 5, co-led by Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk, Cantor Vladimir Lapin, Cantor Kathy Sebo; this first Congregation Mishkan Or service will include a 5:30 p.m. Oneq

Friday, July 12, co-led by Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk, Cantor Kathy Sebo Friday, July 19, co-led by Rabbi Roger Klein, Cantor Vladimir Lapin Friday, July 26, co-led by Rabbi Elle Muhlbaum, Cantor Kathy Sebo Friday, Aug. 2, co-led by Rabbi Joshua Caruso, Cantor Vladimir Lapin Friday, Aug. 9, co-led by Rabbi Joshua Caruso, Cantor Kathy Sebo Friday, Aug. 16, co-led by Rabbi Elle Muhlbaum, Cantor Vladimir Lapin Friday, Aug. 23, co-led by Rabbi Roger Klein, Cantor Kathy Sebo Friday, Aug. 30, co-led by Rabbi Yael Dadoun, Cantor Laureate Sarah Sager

If you would like a name read at services, whether for our prayers of healing or to remember a loved one on a yahrzeit, please call 216-831-3233 or email cwilson@mishkanor.org.

**Shabbat Morning Torah Study, 9 a.m.,** two sessions offered on Saturdays, each session led by different clergy:

July 6 and July 12, Rabbi Klein and Rabbi Nosanchuk

July 20 with Rabbi Klein and Cantor Sebo

July 27 with Rabbi Klein and Rabbi Muhlbaum

**High Holy Day and Festival Worship:** The High Holy Days are later this year, with Erev Rosh Hashanah on Wednesday, Oct. 2. We will be gathering in person at Congregation Mishkan Or and the Maltz Performing Arts Center, and livestreaming services. We'll share more details soon.

We invite you to come a little early the first time or two you visit us at **26000 Shaker Boulevard, Beachwood, 44122,** to become more familiar with parking, including additional handicapped parking spots to the west of the synagogue.

# Answering Questions About the New Congregation Mishkan Or

Will we have enough parking for Shabbat services? There are more than 250 parking spaces between the Jack & Lilyan Mandel Building and the Maltz Museum next door. During the High Holy Days and events, we will have access to parking at the Jewish Community Center, Fuchs Mizrachi School and Mandel Jewish Day School, as well as offering a shuttle service.

## What is happening to the Fairmount Temple building?

In June, Fairmount Temple's Board of Directors, acting upon the unanimous recommendation of its Real Estate Task Force, approved the sale of the Fairmount Boulevard property to the City of Beachwood.

#### **How to Engage**

Website: Mishkanor.org

Email: info@mishkanor.org
Phone: (216) 831-3233
If there is an emergency after
hours, call our main Temple
phone number (above) to be
directed to an after-hours phone
number

#### To Stay Updated

Congregation Mishkan Or will be sending weekly e-newsletters to members. If you are a member of Miskhan Or and don't see your newsletter on July 1, check spam. We will also send a mailing to your homes with programming, service details and more. Follow Mishkan Or on Facebook and Instagram. We ask your patience as we navigate these first few months of transition into Congregation Mishkan Or.

#### **To Build Connections**

Join us weekly at our Friday Shabbat Services at 6 p.m., as well as explore the many opportunities to pray, learn and get to know fellow congregants.

## To Meet Our New Executive Director

You're invited to meet
Congregation Mishkan Or's new
Executive Director, Julianna
Johnston Senturia, from 5 - 6
p.m. on Friday, July 19 (before
Shabbat Service). You can reach
Julianna any time at
jsenturia@mishkanor.org. She
looks forward to getting to know
our Congregation Miskhan Or
members.

## **Answering Questions About the New Congregation Mishkan Or**

#### **LOCATION & SECURITY**

Will Congregation Mishkan Or continue to offer livestreaming for our 6 p.m. Shabbat services? Yes! You will be able to find Congregation Mishkan Or livestreaming link on our website, mishkanor.org, and in our weekly e-newsletter. Archived videos will also be on our website.

#### **WEBSITE & BRAND**

## Do we have a new website and social media channels?

We do have a website, **mishkanor. org**, which has details about
upcoming services, programming
and our amazing staff. We'll
continue to add information on
the site over the coming weeks as
programs are finalized. Our website
also includes links to new social
media feeds on Facebook and
Instagram, all great places to find
updated information.

#### Do we have a new brand?

The Branding Committee is working to bring Congregation Mishkan Or's brand to life, drawing on the strengths and legacies of our founding Temples, while authentically speaking to the future. This exercise will give us a new brand, which will include a logo, color scheme, tagline, templates and more. We expect to start using a new brand this fall.

Follow us to stay updated!

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

# What are my options for K-12 religious school programming at Mishkan Or? Will there be room for my child?

We will make room for all K-12 students who want to participate in religious education. Options will be similar to both Temples' former programming. We'll also include new experiences to make the year memorable.

# What are key dates for K-12 education, including registration, open houses and start dates?

Our education team will offer two information sessions about the upcoming year of Limmud:
Learning With Mishkan Or, sharing options and answering your questions:
Monday, July 8, in person,
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, July 16, via Zoom, 7 – 8 p.m.
RSVP to Drock@mishkanor.org

Information packets will be mailed to all registered families the week of July 25. There will be an open house on Sunday, Aug. 25, with classes beginning Saturday, Sept. 7, Sunday, Sept. 8, Monday, Sept. 9, and Wednesday, Sept. 11. If you haven't registered yet and would like to learn more about our offerings from Pre-K through high school, please reach out to Staci Cohen (Wednesday/ Saturday learning & special projects), Dina Rock (Sunday learning), or Regina Krieger (Teen/Monday night programming) at 216-831-3233.

## Are there openings in the Ganon Gil preschool?

Yes, there are! To learn about what age group has spots open, reach out to Erica Wilkov at Ewilkov@ mishkanor.org.

#### I'd like my child to begin the B'nai Mitzvah process. How can we get started?

If your child is in 5th, 6th or 7th grade and does not yet have a B'nai Mitzvah date, please reach out to Amy Aquila, 216-831-3233.

## What can I expect for adult education?

Congregation Mishkan Or will offer a variety of exciting adult education programs, gatherings with our men's and women's groups and so much more. Keep watching your email and mail for details.





Mazel Tov to our B'nai Mitzvah! Samuel Harris, July 20, 10:30 a.m., child of Lawrence and Dahlia Harris; Charlie Wexler, July 20, 11 a.m., child of Mark and Abigail Wexler; Max Steinberg, July 27, 11 a.m., child of Eric and Dara Steinberg. Full listings will be in our next issue.

### **Mishkan Or Preview of Events**

We invite you to join us Friday, July 5, at 6 p.m., for the very first Shabbat Service at Congregation Mishkan Or. There will be a Pre-Oneg at 5:30 p.m. You will be part of history!

#### A taste of upcoming events...

- Shabbat services: Fridays July 5, 12, 19 and 26 at 6 p.m., in person and live-streamed
- Shabbat Adult Torah Study: every Saturday morning, two options each week
- Meet-and-Greets: Congregation Mishkan Or invites you to meet up on Tuesdays, July 23 and 30, at an outdoor park to relax, meet some clergy, and get to know each other better.
- House Sale: Sunday, July 21. Stop by the former Fairmount Temple and check out what's for sale. This is open to Mishkan Or members (in good standing) only from 9 -10:30 a.m., then open to the public 11 a.m. 3 p.m.
- Congregation Mishkan Or trip to Italy, led by Rabbi Josh Caruso and Cantor Laureate Sarah Sager, in Spring, 2025.
- Women of Mishkan Or special programming with Karen Sim,
   Women of Reform Judaism president: July 13-14
- Our Brotherhood of Miskan Or is planning gatherings including a summer picnic and a fall Browns watch party
- Playground gathering for Mishkan Or families with young children: Sunday, July 7
- Book clubs, opportunities to volunteer at local agencies, virtual learning and more... coming soon!





Please visit mishkanor.org for details on the above opportunities, and many more!

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

#### Dr. Nathan Berger

Father of Joshua Berger (Lisa), Dr. Ravi Berger (April Sanfilippo) and Dr. Sarina B. Elmariah (Dr. Sammy)

#### **Harriet Davidson**

Wife of Kenneth Davidson, mother of Ileen (Lyn)

#### **David Goldfeir**

Husband of Marilyn Goldfein, father of Melissa Goldfein and Scott Goldfein

#### Virginia "Ginny" Klaus

Mother of Bob Klaus (Karen Tolhurst), Bill Klaus (Joni) and Sue Sternberg (Mark)

#### Patricia Hess Plotkin

Mother of John (Kimberly) Plotkin, Dr. Elizabeth (Richard Spore) Plotkin and daughter-in-law Carol Plotkin

#### Michael Alan Schumann

Husband of Mindy Dee, father of Scott (Jodi), Kelly (Nick Styne), Dr. John (Dr. Sarah- Anne), Lauren, Jennifer (Jason Charet) and stepdaughter Lyndy Ulery

#### **OUR CONDOLENCES TO**

**Bobbie Friedlander** on the loss of her beloved companion Lester C. Frank

**Barry (Danielle) Kallmeyer** on the loss of his father, Michael Kallmeyer

#### **BIMAH FLOWERS IN MEMORY/HONOR OF**

July 5 – Corinne Schwartz by her husband and children; Barbara C. Arsham by Joy & Toney Anzalone; Chuck, Jackie, Jay & Alissa Lurie in loving memory of Rosette Lurie

July 12 - Barbara Cott by Dennis Cott

July 19 - Jeffrey David Epstein by his mother, Natalie Epstein, and brothers Howard and Jonathan; Ralph Abramson and Rosalind Braun by Hope A. Copeland, of blessed memory; Rosalyn Brooker, Karen Brooker, Robin Delamatre, Martin Brooker and Bobbi Sundman in loving memory of husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, Merrill S. Brooker

**July 26** - Pearl S. Krause by her children Karen and Alan Krause; Silvia Foldy Ascherman by her children Lee Ascherman, Arlene Etengoff and Roberta Glazier, and grandchildren

If you would like to donate online, visit mishkanor.org or call 216-831-3233.

Please note, due to limited space in this issue, additional donations made recently will be acknowledged in the AUGUST issue.

#### **ENDOWMENT FUNDS**

**The Angart Family Congregational Life Enrichment Fund:** In memory of Paul Angart on his yahrzeit by Linda Angart

Carole & Barnett Bookatz Special Education Endowment Fund: In honor of Rabbi Klein's birthday by Carole and Bart Bookatz; In honor of Augie Napoli's service to our congregation by Carole and Bart Bookatz; In honor of Cantor Sebo's anniversary with The Temple by Carole and Bart Bookatz

**The Wendy and Gene Elconin Music and Arts Fund:** In honor of Ryan Hertzberg's graduation by Sandy Green

The Sherry and Robert Miller L'dor V'dor Family Program Fund: In memory of Kenneth Kirtz by Sherry and Bob Miller; In memory of Darrell Young by Sherry and Bob Miller; In memory of Minnie Zweigbaum by Sherry and Bob Miller; In honor of Faith and Sheldon Schaffer's granddaughter becoming a Bat Mitzvah by Sherry and Bob Miller

**The Amanda Rachel Wien Advocacy Fund:** In support of The Amanda Rachel Wien Advocacy Fund by Renee Deutsch; In memory of Rita T. Babin by Randi and Chuck Wien

**The Zieve-Rothstein Fund:** In honor of Sandy Zieve's special birthday by Ilene and Gary Kammer; In support of The Sandra Zieve Visiting Scholar Fund by Lana and Anders Olsson

#### TRIBUTE FUNDS

#### Rabbi Yael Dadoun Discretionary Fund:

In honor of the birth of Judah Dadoun-Naroditsky by Marilyn Bedol, Dennis Cott, Gabriela and Edward Cott, Gregg Levine and Dr. Howard Epstein, Susan and Ronald Kahn, Michele Krantz, Jennifer Mendelson, Sharon and Paul Priesand, Caroline and Chris Schwartz, Cookie and Mario Semchuck, Suzanne and Bill Utley; In appreciation of Rabbi Dadoun by Zachary Steinberg; In memory of Lester Frank by Dennis Cott; In honor of a dear friend, Jen Mendelson's birthday by Dennis Cott; In memory of Marcia Schumann by Linda and Ken Dery, Leslie Kaufman, Rosalind and Todd Schumann

Jonathan Lee Gross Memorial Museum Fund: In honor of Grant Davis' milestone birthday by Rachel, Sarah, Hallie and Dan Gross

Vicky Lynn, Nathan & Rose Guren Memorial Fund: In memory of Lois Guren by Marilyn Bedol and Joan Eigner Temple - General Fund: In honor of Rabbi Roger Klein by Elaine Bercu. In memory of Belden Goldman on his yahrzeit by Arne Goldman; In memory of Ann Buescher's husband, Al, by Gail Kichler; In honor of Elaine Bercu's milestone birthday by Gail Kichler; In memory of Sylvia Burgin on her yahrzeit by Ginny and Robert Klaus, In memory of Jerome Zelman by Joan and Rick Rivitz

Temple Hunger and Social Justice Fund: In support of Camp Wise Israeli Teen Donations by Rachel and Scott Arnopolin, Cheryl and Todd Bendis, Janice and Gary Bilchik, Myrna and Kurt Bloch, Renee and Marty Brodsky, Sharon and Matt Bursky, Joan Eigner, Jody E. Turano, Laurie E. Aronoff, Susan E. Regal, Stacey and Lewis Fellinger, Donna and Allan Fried, Hallie and Dan Gross, Sydney and David Gruhin, Deborah and Steven Joseph, Nancy Kitay, Samantha Licker and Adam Babcock, Drs. Belinda and Jim Lieberman, Sheila and Kevin Margolis, Jennifer Mendelson, Sherry and Bob Miller, Miriam and Martin Plax, Jennifer and Robert Reznick, Mary Ann and Daniel Rothstein, Faith and Sheldon Schaffer, Cantor Kathy and Rommie Sebo, Lee Warshawsky; In honor of Sandy and Harriet Mall's 50th wedding anniversary and Sandy's milestone birthday by Faith and Sheldon Schaffer; Wishing Toby Siegel (Grandma Toby Siegel) a Happy Birthday and Happy Mother's Day by Julie, John, Alison and Jeremy Mack; In honor of Zelda Toby Siegel by Susan and Fred Siegel

#### Rabbi Roger C. Klein Discretionary Fund:

In memory of Karen Hoicowitz by Janyce and Ed Bailys; In memory of Max Bergman on his yahrzeit by Lisa and Larry Davidoff; In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Brian Chalfin's beloved father, Dr. Michael Forman by Nancy Kitay. In appreciation of Rabbi Klein's impressive handling of Audrey Koblitz's sister, Ros' memorial by Audrey and Kenny Koblitz; In thanks and appreciation to Rabbi Klein for my husband Dr. Allan Lerner's stone setting by Nancy Lerner; In memory of Gene Phillips by Rita Green and David Levin; In honor of my wife, Carolyn Schmith's 90th birthday by Ed Schmith; In honor of the birth of Nancy Kitay's great grandson, Beau Asher, by Maude and Dr. Mel Shafron

**The Tischler Klezmer Orchestra Fund:** In support of the Tischler Klezmer Orchestra by Carol and Matthew Fleming, In support of The Tischler Klezmer Orchestra performance at Montefiore by Moss Stanley

**Meshorer/Ascherman/Bedol Fund:** In memory of Roslyn Shepherd by Marilyn Bedol

The S. Darwin Noll Fund to Support Jewish Education: In support of The S. Darwin Noll Fund to Support Jewish Education by Alison Ibsen and Fekru Makonnen

#### **Cantor Kathryn Wolfe Sebo Discretionary**

**Fund:** In appreciation of Cantor Sebo for Ron Koplow's stone setting by Randi and Josh Gottlieb; In memory of Michael Forman by Anita and Michael Pupa; In honor of Cantor Sebo for officiating at Conor Schwartz's Bar Mitzvah by Conor, Caroline, Chris, Graycen, and Asher Schwartz; In appreciation of Cantor Sebo by Zachary Steinberg

**Security Fund:** In support of additional security by Emily and Howard Edelstein, Adele and Jeffrey Ibsen

The Temple Torah Study Fund: In support of livestreaming Torah Study by Susan Hanna, llene and Gary Kammer; In support of Torah study bagels and livestreaming by Robin Herrington-Bowen; In honor of Rabbi Klein's birthday by Frannie Morris; In support of Torah Study by Zachary Steinberg

#### The Temple Women's Association:

In honor of The Temple Women's Association by Nancy S. Pickus

**Temple Memorial Fund:** Joyce & Harry Graham in memory of Lawrence Mann; Brenda & Loren Shapiro in memory of Lawrence Mann

#### Fine Nadler Education Enrichment Fund:

Carol K. Eisenberg in honor of Gloria Fine's milestone birthday and in honor of Amy Nadler receiving the 2024 Lois Marcus Leadership Award from Jewish Federation of Cleveland

#### Rabbi Joshua Caruso Philanthropic

Fund: The Appleton and Resnik families in appreciation of Rabbi Caruso and in memory of Faye Kaplan; Loramae Simkoff in appreciation of Rabbi Caruso for the civil rights trip; Judithe Soppel in appreciation of Rabbi Caruso for the stone setting and in memory of Larry N. Soppel; Raycine Spector and family in memory of Dennis Spector; the Stotter Family in appreciation of Rabbi Caruso and in honor of Mila Addison Cohen

#### Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk Philanthropic Fund:

Loramae & Ronald Simkoff in honor of Rabbi Nosanchuk's remission

#### Sarah J. Sager Cantorial Fund:

Loramae Simkoff in appreciation of Cantor Sager for the civil rights trip

#### **Letzt-Rogen Family Bookshelf:**

Louise Chesler in honor of Cindy Rogen's milestone birthday

## Congregation Mishkan Or

### **A Dwelling Place of Light**

At Congregation Mishkan Or, we are creating an innovative, multi-generational Reform Jewish congregation that warmly welcomes everyone and ignites engagement through robust offerings as a vibrant, spiritual community. We are excited for what the future holds!

Learn more: Mishkanor.org Reach out: info@mishkanor.org or (216) 831-3233







Like many things, our newsletter is in transition. The version you see today is a placeholder. Our brand committee is working with professionals to thoughtfully plan a new look and feel for our new congregation, which we expect to debut on our website and print materials this fall.

## Congregation Mishkan Or

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