



CONGREGATION
Mishkan Or
Where Jewish Life Shines Bright

JULY 2026

News



Where Jewish Life Shines Bright – On May 22, Congregation Mishkan Or celebrated Shavuot with a special service at the Maltz Performing Arts Center, where our Limmud Confirmation Class of 5786 affirmed their commitment to Judaism and Jewish life.

Shalom, Friends -

At Congregation Mishkan Or, our community has created a shared culture and identity rooted in rich traditions. Guided by a deep commitment to future generations, we are building a partnership that will help us grow into a vibrant center of Reform Jewish life.

I look forward to leading a spiritual community grounded in dynamic worship, Jewish learning and growth, and a commitment to supporting our extended family in Israel, rooted in the values of peace and justice. Our legacy congregations have honored these traditions, and Mishkan Or will not only carry them forward but will build on them with intention and creativity.

As the largest synagogue-community in Northeast Ohio, we also have a mandate to be a leader in linking arms with community members across lines of faith, race, and difference. Our civic vision must be grounded in core Jewish values: to support the needy, to uplift the oppressed, and to build powerful relationships with our neighbors. Given the current rise in antisemitism, these relationships are all the more important to develop.

I am blessed to be surrounded by inspiring clergy colleagues, gifted rabbis and cantors. I am motivated every day by their diligence, passion, and devotion to this essential work that we do. My sacred obligation is to support, guide and encourage them to succeed, grow, and flourish together for the benefit of our beloved congregation.

The clergy and congregation are supported by a strong staff of unsung heroes who care for our beautiful building, serve us food, educate our children, manage our finances, oversee our arts programs, tend to our most vulnerable, and simply keep the trains running on time. I am tremendously grateful and humbled to lead such a kind and professional staff.

Living Jewishly requires that we live our faith out loud, in song, in study, in poetry, in prayer, in protest, and in loving community! As we begin our third year as one congregation, we are eager to be here for you.

May this significant moment in the life of our historic temple bring forth joy, blessings, and growth in every way.

~ Joshua L. Caruso, Senior Rabbi



Thank You for Being a Valued Member of our Community!



Your presence, your spirit, and the way you show up for this community help create the light that guides us. We are grateful for the ways you bring your own story, curiosity, and heart into our shared life. Looking ahead, we are hopeful and energized as we continue *Illuminating Our Path Forward Together*. The coming year will bring new opportunities to learn and pray, to connect.

Mishkan Or members will receive a special packet with important information on renewing your membership for 2026/2027. Renewal of your membership helps ensure that our learning, care, and connection continue to thrive in the year ahead.

Questions? Please reach out to us at membership@mishkanor.org, or call Membership at 216-831-3233.

SHABBAT SERVICES

Erev Shabbat Service every Friday evening at 6:00 pm

Gather with us in person or tune in from wherever you are for an experience filled with meaningful prayers, inspiring teachings, and uplifting music. Services are also offered via livestream (link found on mishkanor.org), on Facebook, and the YouTube app or your smart TV by searching "mishkanor."

If you would like our clergy to read the name of someone for a *yahrzeit* or recent loss or include a name in the *Mi Shebeirach* prayer for healing, email Cyndi Wilson at Cwilson@mishkanor.org.

Monthly Shabbat *B'Yachad*, Followed by Shabbat Dinner

Friday, July 10, 6:00 pm

Shabbat *B'Yachad* is a monthly service with uplifting music, meaningful prayer, and with the *Ruach* (lively spirit) of shared fellowship. We kick off the evening with a relaxed pre-oneg to schmooze and settle in, followed by a musically rich, soul-stirring service. Childcare available.

Following the service, stay for a delicious Shabbat Dinner and enjoy it with fellow Mishkan Or Members. Dinner will be catered by Cafe 56 and registration/payment (\$30) is required for this special dinner by visiting our website calendar under July 10.

Erev Shabbat Service, Friday, July 17 - This service will honor the Mishkan Or Ushers and offer special recognition to Carol Marshall, who is retiring as Head of the Usher Corp, a role she has had since 2018. Join us as we extend our heartfelt thanks to Carol and to all of our ushers for the important role they play in making our Shabbat services welcoming. Jill Davidson will be our new head usher.

Monthly Shabbat Morning Community Worship

Saturday, July 18, 10:30 am

At this month's Morning Worship, our Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class will be called to the Torah (see page 4) - *Mazel Tov* to them! Afterwards, we'll continue the morning with delicious Kiddush brunch.

Shabbat Morning Torah Study, 9:00 am

Join our clergy and fellow members, in person and on livestream.

Tuesday Morning Minyan, 9:15 am

Weekday morning Minyan blends prayer, music and reflection in the Chapel and livestream.



Over the past few months, members of Congregation Mishkan Or have gathered for Shabbat dinners that have become a meaningful and joyful way to strengthen our community connections.

JOYFUL GATHERINGS FOR CHILDREN

Families with young children (0-6) and their siblings are invited to special summer Shabbat opportunities with music, crafts, and lots of fun!

- **Splashy Tot Shabbat, Saturday, July 11, 11:00 am**
- **Tot Havdalah, Saturday, July 25, 4:00 pm**

To let us know you'll be joining the fun, visit our website calendar for an RSVP form.

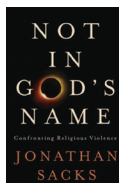


CANTOR SEBO'S TRAVEL ADVENTURES



Cantor Kathy and Rommie Sebo experienced amazing and inspiring adventures in Italy and Greece. They've been awestruck by our Jewish history, heritage and culture dating back more than 2,300 years. They look forward to sharing photos, and stories of their adventures with you. Watch for details.

LIFELONG LEARNING



NEW SERIES – *Not in God's Name*

Mondays, July 13, 20, August 3, at 4:00 pm

Rabbi Roger Klein is leading a series focusing on *Not in God's Name - Confronting Religious Violence* by Jonathan Sacks. The book has been described as “an eloquent call for people of goodwill from all faiths and none to stand together, confront the religious extremism that threatens to destroy us, and declare: *Not in God's Name*. Email Cwilson@mishkanor.org to RSVP.

NEW SERIES - The History of the State of Israel — The First 78 Years: *How did we get here? And what comes next?*

Wednesdays, July 29 – September 2, 9:00 am, Zoom Series

In the wake of October 7, many of us have found ourselves searching for a stronger foundation of knowledge about Israel — its history, its complexity, and our deep connection to it. Join us via Zoom for a six-session series tracing the arc of Zionism from its earliest days through the present war, offering the context, nuance, and honest conversation our community deserves.

Led by Uri Feinberg, an Israeli-American educator living in Israel, and co-facilitated by Rabbi Yael Dadoun, this course will take us from the birth of the Zionist movement through the founding of the State, the defining wars and peace efforts, and into the events of October 7 and beyond. Each 75-minute session includes time for Q&A.

Whether you're deepening what you already know or building new ground to stand on, this is a journey worth taking — together. RSVP on mishkanor.org calendar, July 29.

To Be A Jew Today: Intergenerational Conversations About Jewish Identity

Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00 pm, August 12, October 14, November 18, December 16

Join Rabbis Roger Klein and Elle Muhlbaum and fellow Mishkan Or members for thought-provoking discussion around Jewish Identity. RSVP on website calendar.

NEW GATHERINGS

Children Will Listen

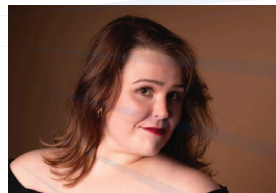
*Songs of Parents, Children,
and the Ties Between Us*

Saturday, August 8, 2:00 pm

After the incredible response to last summer's Elul concert, we're excited to gather again for another afternoon of music and reflection.



Cantor Vladimir Lapin



Kate Del, Guest Vocalist



Alexandre Marr, Pianist

On Saturday, August 8 at 2:00 pm, Cantor Vladimir Lapin and Kate Del, joined by pianist Alexandre Marr, will present *Children Will Listen*, a concert of theater songs exploring the complicated, beautiful, funny, and deeply human relationships between parents and children. The program will move through moments of love, worry, pride, memory, growing up, and letting go. Some songs will make you laugh. As we begin moving toward the season of Elul, this afternoon offers a chance to slow down, listen closely, and reflect on the people who shaped us and those we guide with care. This concert is open to all Mishkan Or members, but please RSVP through the form on our website calendar.

Clergy on the Road

If you're in Chautauqua this summer, make plans to participate in Shabbat Services led by our Mishkan Or clergy:

- Cantor Kathryn Wolf Sebo will be co-leading services on **Friday/Saturday, July 3 and 4**
- Rabbi Elle Muhlbaum and Cantor Vladimir Lapin will be leading services on **Friday/Saturday, August 14 and 15**

Cantor Lapin Leads Service at Biennial

At the upcoming 2026 Union for Reform Judaism Biennial, Cantor Vladimir Lapin has been invited to lead the Saturday morning service at the Biennial being held in Philadelphia, December 10-16. This is the largest gathering of Reform Jews in North America, bringing together clergy, lay leaders, musicians, and congregants from across the continent for learning, prayer, music, and community. To learn more about the Biennial, reach out to Cantor Lapin.

Mondays at Mitchell's Returns

July 14 and 27, 5-6:30 pm - Come grab a scoop, connect with other Mishkan Or members and our clergy at the Mitchell's Ice Cream at Van Aken. We look forward to seeing you!

MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW BOARD PRESIDENT



Dear Mishkan Or Family,

I am truly honored and deeply grateful to serve as your new Board President. I follow in the footsteps of our past presidents, and in particular our exceptional immediate past presidents, Julie Raskind and Bruce Goodman, whose dedication and commitment to our congregation have helped shape the vibrant and caring community we cherish today. I share their commitment to doing all I can to serve our congregation, and I will take on this responsibility with both humility and a strong sense of purpose.

"Our Jewish Life Shines Bright" is more than a tagline—it is our anthem. It reflects our spirit and commitment to each other and the Jewish community, and my commitment to moving Mishkan Or forward with integrity, intention, and care. In my new role, I will work closely with our Board, clergy, and staff to support our congregation, listen thoughtfully, and help guide and strengthen our remarkable synagogue.

We begin July with a sense of excitement and possibility as Rabbi Caruso steps into his new role as our Senior Rabbi. I look forward to partnering closely with him and our exceptional and talented clergy team as we continue to build our community and shape an inspiring future together. I also extend my heartfelt thanks to Rabbi Andi Berlin for her leadership as Interim Senior Rabbi and her guidance in leading us through this important time with such care.

With our dedicated Board, inspiring clergy, committed staff, and engaged members, Mishkan Or is truly a special community. I am privileged to serve and look forward to all we will accomplish together in the year ahead.

L'shalom,

Kevin Margolis, Board President, President@mishkanor.org

Mazel Tov To Our First Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class of Congregation Mishkan Or!

Since last October, just after our High Holy Days, a dedicated group of Mishkan Or adult members began a meaningful journey toward becoming Adult B'nei Mitzvah. Along the way, they explored the meaning of Shabbat, deepened their relationship with Israel, engaged with the values of Tikkun Olam, learned how to craft a d'var Torah, and so much more.

We are incredibly proud of this inaugural Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class of 2026/5786, and we celebrate and honor each of them. Please join us as we recognize their accomplishments.

Becoming B'nei Mitzvah on Saturday, July 18, 10:30 am:

Sherri Appleton	Janet Held	Ned McFarland	Haleigh Resnik
Elise Dietrich	Beverley Jacobs	Andre Mitchell	Betsy Schumann
Jordan Feltoon	Debra Leizman	Karen Moses	Cheryl Siegel
Laurie Goetz	Betsy Markey	Michael Oicherman	Judith Waxman
David Green	Claudia Marmaros	Lissy Rand	Carol Weiskind

Becoming Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, July 25, 10:30 am:

Regina Olbinsky

CARING COMMUNITY

Senior Drop-in Cafes, Wednesdays, 2:00-3:00 pm - Light refreshments and engaging conversations with fellow Mishkan Or members and a clergy member.

Community Kitchen Baking, Monday, July 20, 1:00 pm - Volunteers of all ages gather to bake dozens of cookies that are arranged into cookie boxes. These boxes are delivered during shiva to congregants who have lost a loved one. Volunteer by contacting Wjacobson@mishkanor.org.

MACE Islamic Food Pantry, Thursday, August 27, 2:00-4:30 pm - Join Us to Fight Food Insecurity - Our Mishkan Or volunteers will be packing food for distribution at the MACE Islamic Center Food Pantry, 26901 Chardon Road in Richmond Heights. To help this fellow Abrahamic community, please volunteer by contacting Debby at dwkastner@gmail.com.

Ganon Gil Preschool

Our award-winning preschool is a comprehensive and developmental early childhood program designed to help children 6 weeks to 5 years reach their full potential socially and emotionally and provides them with the educational components necessary for future school success. Ganon Gil is more than just a preschool; it is a family. To learn more, contact Erica Wilkov at GanonGil@mishkanor.org.

IN HARMONY: A CELEBRATION!

On April 26, more than 450 members of our community came together in song and celebration as we marked Congregation Mishkan Or's second anniversary and honored Rabbi Nosanchuk on his retirement. With special guest musician Dan Nichols, the afternoon was filled with music, connection, and a deep sense of shared joy.



"What a privilege to look around - how lucky, how wonderful, how set apart, how filled with kiddushah is the fact that we're alive right now. What a privilege to still be alive and to look around and look and sing together with hundreds gathered here. What a privilege to have served in guiding and becoming a new Mishkan Or."

*Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk
(pictured with Dan Nichols)*



What an incredible milestone—celebrating our congregation's second anniversary together In Harmony! Thank you to everyone who joined us on April 26 for a joyful gathering filled with music and connection.

We are grateful to Jewish rock artist Dan Nichols for sharing his inspiring music, and to our clergy and song leaders for bringing the program to life. From the delicious food to the warm conversations, it was a truly memorable afternoon.

A meaningful moment was honoring Founding Rabbi Emeritus Robert Nosanchuk. We are deeply thankful for his leadership, vision, and the foundation he built – and for the many ways our community continues to grow.

To everyone who made this celebration possible—our Host Committee, volunteers, clergy, staff, and all who worked behind the scenes—thank you. Your dedication, time, and enthusiasm created such a welcoming experience for our community.

Thank you for your leadership and for strengthening the spirit of Mishkan Or.

With gratitude,
Amy & Ira Kaplan and Shelley & Greg Marcus, co-chairs

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LIMMUD PROGRAMS, 2026-2027

BUILDING COMMUNITY ACROSS EVERY AGE AND STAGE

Our Limmud programs (preK-12th) nurture connection, spark curiosity, and build a strong Jewish identity through meaningful, engaging experiences for every age.

Limmud options include Shabbaton (PreK-6th), Sunday Limmud (PreK-5th), Hebrew Learning (4th – 6th), Monday Teen Limmud (6th-12th) and Kulam (7th-12th).

New this year is an exciting Shabbat *L'dor V'dor* (K-8th grade families) - an intergenerational Shabbat experience for families who want to deepen connection beyond the classroom. This new program brings Judaism to life across generations – in our homes and as a community.

Want to learn more? Check out our mishkanor.org page and click on Limmud Learning. Online registration is already open. If you have questions, email Limmud Director Regina Krieger at Rkrieger@mishkanor.org.



LIMMUD LEARNING AWARDS, 2026-2027

Mazel Tov to the recipients!

Judy, Darin, and Kevin Feder Menschlichkeit Award

Presented to a 9th grader who demonstrates warmth and concern for others and is an active participant in synagogue life.

Brody Chernoff, 9th grade

Barnett R. Brickner Memorial Award

Presented to a confirmand and graduate for excellence in scholarship and character.

**Rachel Klein and Sara Zack, 10th grade,
Reuben Krieger, 12th grade**

Rebecca Brickner Jewish Heritage Award

Presented to a confirmand who demonstrates most significantly the qualities of leadership and deep interest and love of Judaism exemplified by Rebecca Brickner.

Scarlett Adler, 10th grade

Betty Jane Finkle Memorial Award

Presented to a confirmand for commitment to learning during the Confirmation year.

Adam Estrin, 10th grade

Leo Jacobson Memorial Award

Presented to a confirmand who demonstrates commitment to service.

Devin Zitelli, 10th grade

Rebecca Meyer Clergy Award

Awarded to a confirmand who exemplifies the energy and spark that was Rebecca in everything she did. She had a passion for life and all that came with it.

Jordan Page, 10th grade

Amy Rice Memorial Award

Presented to a confirmand for commitment to learning during the Confirmation year.

Evan Behrens, 10th grade

Leonard B. Winger Award

Given annually to a confirmand who most fully demonstrates qualities of Jewish faithfulness.

Jaryn Marcus, 10th grade

Leonard B. Ganger Memorial Award

Presented to a member of the 12th grade class who has fully participated in Limmud classes.

Lev McFarland, 12th grade

Joann Levy Award

This scholarship is presented to students who demonstrate outstanding leadership abilities and who are actively engaged in congregation life.

Hayleigh Hoegler, 11th grader

Rabbi Lelyveld Memorial Award

Presented to a student in 10th and 12th grade with an ongoing interest in social justice.

**Zora Kansal, 10th grade and
Evan Ricchetti, 12th grade**

Lindsay Stark and Cassidy Stark Impink Social Action Scholarship

This Endowment Fund honors sisters Lindsay and Cassidy, who lived with courage, compassion, and a deep commitment to helping others. Their legacy continues through this fund, inspiring acts of justice, kindness, and community.

Leila Cohen, 11th grade

Amanda Rachel Wein Advocacy Award

This annual award is presented to a deserving student who demonstrates the exemplary humanitarian qualities embraced by Amanda in her lifetime.

Nan Auten, 11th grade

Teacher Awards: Limmud - Laura Robbins Ganon Gil - Cheryle Evans

CELEBRATING LAG BA'OMER



Both our Brotherhood of Mishkan Or and our Women of Mishkan Or hosted Lag Ba'Omer gatherings marking the 33rd day of the Omer. Our Brotherhood hosted a bonfire and gathering at a member's home, while our Women of Mishkan Or gathered for a bonfire at Mishkan Or.

WOMEN OF MISHKAN OR

JOIN US ON A HIKE

Calling all walk and hike enthusiasts - Women of Mishkan Or invite you to join them on a monthly local hike at 10:30 am. Explore the area, meet new people, and get those steps in. To learn locations for July and August hikes, visit the Women of Mishkan Or page on mishkanor.org.

HONEY FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

Our Women of Mishkan Or are kicking off a project to send jars of honey to loved ones to wish them a sweet new year. Special - Free shipping until August 16.

To place your order, visit the Women of Mishkan Or page on mishkanor.org.



BROTHERHOOD OF MISHKAN OR

CLEVELAND FOOD BANK SUPPORT

Thursdays, July 9, and September 10, 4:00 - 6:30 pm

Our Brotherhood is supporting the "Healthy Choice Market" of the Cleveland Food Bank (15500 South Waterloo Road), the area where people receiving food supplies from the Food Bank walk through and pick out groceries as if they were at a market.

Volunteers accompany the shoppers as they go along and assist them as needed. The Food Bank is seeing an uptick in the need of assistance. Can you help? RSVP to Jon Messer at jonmesser2@gmail.com

JOIN THE CMO GREEN TEAM!

CMO is again initiating our Green Team, aka the Sustainability Committee, dedicated to making our temple a sustainability role model for our congregation. If you have sustainability passions and/or skills, please contact the Green Team Chair, André Mitchell at andredpm3@gmail.com. We'll meet once a month to share our ideas and progress.

NEW SOCIAL GROUP FOR NEURODIVERGENT ADULTS

We are inviting neurodivergent Mishkan Or adults to join us throughout the year for social events. Events might include dinner after services, board game nights, trips to places around Cleveland as a group.

If you or someone you know would be interested, please let us know by visiting our Connections page at mishkanor.org.

Mazel Tov!

Heidi & Robert Barna on the birth of their grandson, Cameron Douglas Romanowski, son of Molly & Joe Romanowski.

Robyn & Aaron Feldman on the birth of their daughter, Gabrielle Bran Feldman. Granddaughter of **Marcy & Eric Silver**.

Kasey & Zachary Fox on the birth of Liam Samuel Fox, grandson of **Amy & Mike Southard**.

Patty Inglis on the birth of grandchild, Isabelle Noa Prezioso, daughter of Katie & Alex Prezioso and great granddaughter of **Sally & Charles Rich**.

Sandra & Ivan Kramer on the birth of their grandchild, Henry Felix Kramer, son of Zachary and Erika Kramer.

Ashley & Mike London on the birth of their son, Cooper Shai London, grandson of Amy & Mike Southard.

Patti & Jeff Weisberg on the marriage of their son Logan Weisberg to Casey Pendelton.

Phyllis Berlas, a WMO honorary board of directors member and Mitzvah Project co-chair, was honored with the **Lev Tov Award** from the Heartland District of the Women of Reform Judaism.

FACING ANTISEMITISM ON AMERICAN COLLEGE CAMPUSES



Join us on **Tuesday, August 11, at 7:00 pm** for an important conversation with internationally acclaimed speaker and educator, Charlotte Korchak, founder of the Jerusalem Education Institute. Recognized as one of the foremost public speakers in her field, Charlotte will unpack the history and the current challenges regarding the dramatic surge of hostility, threats and harassment of Jewish students on American college campuses.

This program, which will be hosted by Cantor Kathy Sebo, is highly recommended for adults and mature teens, especially those preparing to attend a university campus this fall.

A dessert reception will follow. Register for this free program on our website calendar.

MISHKAN OR ARTS

HARTZMARK GALLERY

MUSEUM TOURS of the exhibition *Anatoly Kaplan: The Enchanted Tailor*, Tuesday, July 14, 5-6:00 pm, Hartzmark Gallery, Saturday, August 8, 1:00-2:00 pm, Hartzmark Gallery

RSVPS requested to museum@mishkanor.org.

LECTURE WITH KATYA OICHERMAN AT SIEGAL LIFELONG LEARNING

Friday, July 17, 10:00 am-12:30 pm, *Passover in Art and Objects*

In this lecture we will explore the story and customs of the Jewish celebration of Passover as they are reflected in ritual objects and fine art from different periods, geographies and artistic styles. From Seder plate to Passover towel to Haggadah, from folk art to Baroque to modernism, we will follow how the aesthetics of ritual and storytelling changed and how this change influenced the content of the Story of Exodus, reinventing it each time to adjust to the concerns of a particular historic period.

Sign up on Museum webpage at mishkanor.org

HARTZMARK LIBRARY

While the summer is light on programming, we invite you to stop in and visit the library, explore new books, and sign out some items to take home.

B'nei Mitzvah



LIV ASSENZA, August 1

Child of
Michael and Stacey Assenza



BELEN EISNER, August 22

Child of
Brendon and Emily Eisner

Each B'nei Mitzvah Student is gifted a Mishkan T'filah prayerbook, a gift of the Esther and Oscar Adelman/Margaret and Justin Spiegle Bar/Bat Mitzvah Fund, along with other gifts.

College-Age Members

We'd love to stay connected with our young adults as they head off to college. Help us keep in touch and support them as they continue their Jewish journey. If you have a college student or college-aged young adult in your family, please send their name and contact information to Staci Cohen at Limmud@mishkanor.org.
Thank you for helping us stay connected!

Mishkan Or Staff Updates

We thank Barbara Smith for her 23 years of service and express gratitude for her loyalty, care, and commitment to our community.

We wish her blessing in the next chapter of her life. Jane Rothstein, our valuable Librarian/Archivist, now works part-time.

In Memoriam

HELENE BROIDY

Wife of Edward Broidy, z'l, mother of Michael Broidy (Lisa Jarahian), Joan Morgenstern (Robert Valente), and Roberta Malton (Mark Malton).

CHAD DEAL

Husband of Andrea Beskind Deal, father of Alexis Irene Deal and Adam Deal, z'l.

GERALD (JERRY) HOWARD DOMBICK

Husband of Ruth Dombick, father of Shari Dombick. Amy Small (Steve), Jeffrey Dombick (Jeanne).

JOYCE DONNELLY

Mother of Bruce Donnelly.

ALBERT C. LEIZMAN, DDS

Husband of Sally Leizman, z'l, father of Karen Leizman Moses (Barry), Debbie Leizman (Keith Kerman), and Marc Leizman (Nancy).

JACK NAIMAN

Father of Carolyn Naiman and Matthew Naiman.

RONALD NEWMAN

Husband of Eleanor Newman and father of Stacy (Tom Sayers) and Keith Newman.

MELVIN S. ROSS

Husband of Sally Ross, father of Daryl Ross (Kathy), Cindy Evoy (Dave), and Beth Hopkins (Todd).

H. JEFFREY SCHWARTZ

Father of Brandon Schwartz, Brooke Schwartz, Sean (Peter) Shepard, and Kayla N. Schwartz, z'l.

PAIVI-LEENA SHERMAN

Wife of Dennis H. Sherman, z'l, Erica Sherman Klein (Neil), Julie Sherman, and Nora Gecovich (Avi).

RICHARD A. SPEER

Husband of Barbara Speer, father of Susan Speer Zenn (Michael), Ellen Speer Davis (Gary), and Robert Speer (Adalynn).

DR. DANIEL WEIDENTHAL

Husband of Judith Weidenthal, l'z, father of Jeffrey (Meg Burgess) and David Weidenthal (Laura).

We also remember

RABBI ROSETTE BARRON HAIM

~ affectionately known as Rabbi Rosie ~ who passed away on May 6. A dear friend and beloved spiritual leader in Cleveland, she greatly impacted hundreds of families at Mishkan Or through her service at one of our legacy congregations, The Temple-Tifereth Israel, and remained a cherished presence and friend to so many in our community.

Condolences

Kenneth Hersh (Michelle) on the loss of his brother, Michael Hersh.

James Ratner (Susan Ratner) on the loss of his brother, Mark A. Ratner.

Bimah Flowers IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

July 3-4: Corinne Schwartz by her husband and children; Barbara C. Arsham by Joy and Tony Anzalone.

July 10-11: Rosette Lurie by Chuck, Jackie, Jay, and Alissa Lurie.

July 24-25: Jeffrey David Epstein by his mother Natalie Epstein and brothers Howard and Jonathan. Merrill S. Booker by children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, Karen Brooker, Robin DeLamatre, Martin Brooker and Bobbie Sundman. Ralph Abramson and Rosalind Braun by Hope A. Copeland, of blessed memory.

July 31-August 1: Pearl S. Krause by her children Karen and Alan Krause; Herbert Zipkin by his son Lewis; Silvia Foldy Ascherman by her children Lee Ascherman, Arlene Etengoff and Roberta Glazier and grandchildren.



Remembering Them

Nearly 100 Mishkan Or members gathered at Mayfield Cemetery on Sunday of Memorial Day weekend to honor the memory of Jewish veterans and place flags at their graves.

STRONGER TOGETHER ANNUAL APPEAL CAMPAIGN

Closing Another Meaningful Year Together

Contributions listed were made between July 1, 2025 – May 21, 2026

As we close both the fiscal year and this year's Annual Appeal, we are deeply grateful for the extraordinary generosity of our Mishkan Or community. This year's campaign reflected the strength, commitment, and shared values that continue to define our congregation.

Thanks to the support of nearly 500 families, this year's Annual Appeal grew not only in dollars raised, but also in participation and engagement. We were especially encouraged by the many new donors who joined the effort this year, expanding the circle of support within our Mishkan Or family.

We are also deeply grateful to the members of our community who participated in our **CHAI Campaign**, helping provide meaningful momentum as we worked toward the close of the campaign.

Every gift—at every level—helped sustain vibrant worship, lifelong learning, compassionate care, and the meaningful programs and connections that strengthen our congregation throughout the year.

Most importantly, this year's campaign demonstrated the power of what we can accomplish when we come together with shared purpose, generosity, and commitment. Thank you for being part of what makes Mishkan Or truly *Stronger Together*.

SACRED LEADERSHIP

Rabbi Andi Berlin &
Jon Berlin
Rabbi Richard & Susie Block
Rabbi Josh Caruso &
Leah Weiss Caruso
Rabbi Yael Dadoun &
Joe Naroditsky
Rabbi Roger Klein &
Jacqi Loewy
Rabbi Elle Muhlbaum &
Cantor Vladimir Lapin
Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk &
Joanie Berger
Cantor Sarah Sager
Cantor Kathryn Wolfe Sebo
& Rommie Sebo

OR L'OLAM – \$20,000+

"Light of the World" — Visionary, community-impacting leadership.
Gloria Fine*
Roy Minoff
Jan* & Will Sukenik*

OR SHALOM – \$10,000+

"Light of Peace" — Creates a sanctuary of peace—offering comfort, connection, and a sense of home for all who enter.
Nancy Adams
Barry & Laura Axelrod
Robert & JoAnn Glick
Lynn & Bruce Goodman
Ken & Carol Hochman
Keith Kerman &
Debra Leizman
Peter & Julie Raskind
Don & Toni Scherzer
Mike & Amy Southard
Stephen & Penni Weinberg
Ed & Gail Weintraub

OR L'DOROT – \$5,000+

"Light for Generations" — Support that passes from one generation to the next.
Richard & Sharon Berger
Arthur & Terri Berk
Cynthia & Robert Bruml
Bob Elson & Jane Joseph
Michael & Julie Frayman
John & Peggy Garson
Patty Inglis
Ira & Amy Kaplan
Michele Krantz
Norma Lerner
Mort & Judith Levin
Keith & Nancy Libman

Milton & Tamar Maltz
Joel & Rochelle Marx
Larrie & Amy Nadler
Margie & Art Newman
Scott & Cindy Polster
David & Vivian Singer
Jordan & Jeanne Tobin
Stanley & Sally Wertheim

OR HALEV – \$3,600+

"Light of the Heart" — Nurtures the spiritual and emotional core of our community.
Cornelia Hodgson-Dorsky
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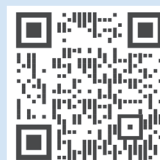
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Join us for Mishkan Or's Annual Garden Party

Sunday, August 23, from 11:00 am–1:00 pm

This intergenerational event will have something for everyone and promises to be a fun-filled summer afternoon for our whole community.

New this year, Brotherhood will be providing and grilling hot dogs for lunch, and Women of Mishkan Or will host a special flowerpot decorating and planting activity.

Like last year, kids and families can enjoy a bubble party, airbrush tattoos, and balloon twisting.

There will also be Israeli Dance, fun summer treats and concessions for everyone, with even more activities still to come!

As part of this meaningful community celebration, the Caring Community and Limmud will once again partner on a special mitzvah project collecting items for the Walls of Love.

Be sure to mark your calendars now -
it's going to be a wonderful time for all ages!