

# Congregation Mishkan Or

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

AUGUST 2024

## New opportunities to build connections

### TUESDAY MINYAN

We are exploring a new weekly opportunity for members of our Congregation Mishkan Or to come together through prayer, music and reflection. Cantor Vladimir Lapin is piloting a weekly Tuesday Morning Minyan in our Chapel at 10 a.m. Whether you are looking to start your day with intention, seek comfort in prayer, remember a loved one through the recitation of Kaddish, or simply connect with fellow members of the Mishkan Or community, our Tuesday Morning Minyan hopes to be a welcoming space for all. This is a wonderful chance to deepen your spiritual practice and build connections with others. We intend to explore community interest in this as an ongoing practice. Please email Barb Smith at [Bsmith@miskhanor.org](mailto:Bsmith@miskhanor.org) or call 216-831-3233 to indicate you are interested. The Minyan will also be livestreamed.

### CONGREGATION MISHKAN OR SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, GET-TOGETHER

Before our summer ends, let's get together for some Sunday FUN! We're still in the planning stages, but we're anticipate gathering together to:

- Learn more about our various groups for involvement, to make an impact on our community and world through Congregation Mishkan Or.
- Meet several members of our Mishkan Or clergy team and some of our dedicated staff.
- Enjoy snacks, games for kids, and a fun afternoon of activity on the grounds and inside Congregation Mishkan Or, in the Jack & Lilyan Mandel Building, 26000 Shaker Blvd in Beachwood!

If you have friends seeking a synagogue-home for the upcoming High Holy Days, invite them to join us on August 25, and learn more about Congregation Mishkan Or.

To learn more, keep an eye out for our weekly Congregation Mishkan Or email. If you aren't receiving the email, email Laura Munson at [Lmunson@miskhanor.org](mailto:Lmunson@miskhanor.org) to get on the list. This will be a fun gathering for all generations – you won't want to miss it!



Our Mishkan Or campers at Camp Wise, and our clergy under a surprise rainbow following the first Shabbat Service at Congregation Mishkan Or!



### Dear Congregants,

*We are all part of Cleveland's newest Jewish congregation that is simultaneously its oldest Jewish congregation! We've unified and share a destiny. Let the teachings of our Hebrew prophets be a catalyst. Consider what Isaiah says when God places before him a world demanding attention. Isaiah says: here I am; send me. This is how Judaism teaches us to cherish each day and the holiness it brings!*

*I see an opportunity ahead to build a community where we grow holiness in relationship to each other. Our congregation can be a place to model learning from people with whom we agree and others where we disagree. Our temples didn't merge to stay sheltered. We did so in commitment to build civility, humanism, and compassion in a world needing repair!*

*In merging, we haven't given up individual values, nor communal priorities like supporting Israel or building a just world. What we did was give up sitting in separate temples. We dream to be a Mishkan Or, "a dwelling place of light." Let's be fueled by abundance, open heartedness, creativity, and positive presupposition about our future.*

**-Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk  
(pronouns: he/him)  
Inaugural Senior Rabbi & Will &  
Jan Sukenik Chair in Rabbis**

*This note is adapted from Rabbi Nosanchuk's sermon on July 5. See it in full at [miskhanor.org](http://miskhanor.org).*

# Congregation Mishkan Or

## Services & Worship

### Shabbat Services:

Every Friday evening, Congregation Mishkan Or offers a 6 p.m. Shabbat Service, in person or virtually, with soothing prayers, inspiring teachings and uplifting music. To livestream, visit [mishkanor.org](http://mishkanor.org) for the link, or follow us on Facebook: [facebook.com/mishkanor](https://www.facebook.com/mishkanor) to watch livestream.

Friday, August 2, co-led by Rabbi Joshua Caruso, Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk and Cantor Vladimir Lapin

Friday, August 9, co-led by Rabbi Joshua Caruso and Cantor Kathy Sebo

Friday, August 16, co-led by Rabbi Elle Muhlbaum, Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk and Cantor Vladimir Lapin

Friday, August 23, co-led by Rabbi Roger Klein and Cantor Kathy Sebo

Friday, August 30, co-led by Rabbi Yael Dadoun, Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk and Cantor Laureate Sarah Sager

At our Shabbat worship, we will honor with reverence in our Shabbat supplement all of those who establish perpetual *yahrzeit* within Congregation Mishkan Or, Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple, or The Temple-Tifereth Israel. If you would like our clergy to read a name aloud for someone to whom it is their *yahrzeit* anniversary of death, we ask you to email [cwilson@mishkanor.org](mailto:cwilson@mishkanor.org) or call 216-831-3233 by the Thursday before Shabbat. Another way to ask that a name for *yahrzeit* be read aloud is by completing a notecard, found outside worship area and with our ushers, before the service begins. Our ushers will bring the cards to clergy during worship before memorial prayers.

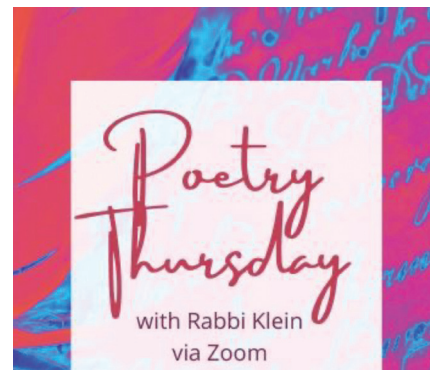
### Shabbat Morning at Mishkan Or:

Each Shabbat Morning at Congregation Mishkan Or, we will have Torah Study at 9 a.m. Most weeks include two sessions to choose from, led by different clergy and different sources, offered in person and virtually each week.

Beginning in August, we will pilot a one-hour Shabbat morning worship service led by clergy, including the opportunity to hear readings from the Torah scroll and find meaning in the beautiful prayers of Shabbat morning. These enriching Shabbat morning worship gatherings will be participatory and multi-generational. Stay tuned to weekly email messages for information on locations and special announcements for that week's Shabbat morning worship gathering.

### Havdalah and Song Session

Saturday, August 10, 6 p.m. - Led by Cantor Vladimir Lapin and several guest musicians in the Chapel. Come join in song either in person or livestreamed.



**Rabbi Roger Klein will lead Zoom discussions on Thursdays in August at 4 pm.**  
Join the discussion by emailing Cyndi Wilson at [Cwilson@mishkanor.org](mailto:Cwilson@mishkanor.org) to receive the Zoom link.

### Interested in Traveling to Italy?

Cantor Laureate Sarah Sager and Rabbi Joshua Caruso will be co-leading a trip to Italy, April 28 - May 9, 2025. If interested in learning more as details are finalized, email Barb Smith at [Bsmith@mishkanor.org](mailto:Bsmith@mishkanor.org).



Our first Caring Community meeting with members excited to reach out to others, with in our congregation and in the community.



Our Women of Mishkan Or celebrated a wonderful installation weekend of events, July 12-13!

Rabbis Nosanchuk and Klein moving the Torahs into the Ark.



# Congregation Mishkan Or

## Get involved...meet fellow members...build community

### BROTHERHOOD OF MISHKAN OR

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Empowering through Tradition, Unity, and Dynamic Social Programming: Our Brotherhood of Mishkan Or is dedicated to enriching lives through a blend of tradition and contemporary values. Committed to fostering deep brotherhood bonds, we cultivate spiritual growth and promote social justice through innovative social programming. As a multi-generational group, we offer a rich blend of perspectives and experiences, creating a dynamic environment for meaningful conversations and personal growth. Together, we embrace inclusivity, celebrate diversity, and uphold the principles of Tikkun Olam, ensuring a vibrant, inclusive future for all. Upcoming events will be posted on their website page.

### CARING COMMUNITY

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We all want Congregation Mishkan Or to be a warm and loving community where members feel embraced and are given opportunities to make meaningful and rewarding connections. There are so many ways to get involved! Whether you prefer making calls or writing notes to support congregants from the comfort of your home, or perhaps baking or delivering baked goods together with other volunteers in a Congregation Mishkan Or team or for community agencies, there is a place for you in our Caring Community. Reach out to get involved by contacting Wendy Jacobson, Coordinator of Caring Community, at [Wjacobson@mishkanor.org](mailto:Wjacobson@mishkanor.org).

### WOMEN OF MISHKAN OR

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Our Women of Mishkan Or is an active group of women who further the highest ideals of Reform Judaism, promoting fellowship among its members, supporting and strengthening Congregation Mishkan Or, and promoting education, religious and social action programming. This organization furthers the mission of the Women of Reform Judaism, a collective voice and presence of women in congregational life across North America. Upcoming programming includes a Women of Mishkan Or Hiking Group on Thursday, August 15, at 10 a.m., and a Virtual Movie Discussion on the movie *Goyo*. To learn more, contact Women of Mishkan Or co-presidents: Jeannie Citerman-Kraeger ([jeannieCKMO@gmail.com](mailto:jeannieCKMO@gmail.com)) or Ronna Kaplan ([rskaplan1@gmail.com](mailto:rskaplan1@gmail.com)).

### GREATER CLEVELAND CONGREGATIONS

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Greater Cleveland Congregations (GCC) is a faith-based community organization that gives voice and action to social justice issues in Cuyahoga County by uniting people of all races, religions and neighborhoods. Our GCC Core Team at Congregation Mishkan Or is composed of anyone in the congregation who wishes to join. For further information, and to learn more about GCC, contact core team leader David Biegel at [david.biegel@case.edu](mailto:david.biegel@case.edu) or Rabbi Joshua Caruso at [Jcaruso@mishkanor.org](mailto:Jcaruso@mishkanor.org) or Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk at [Rnosanchuk@mishkanor.org](mailto:Rnosanchuk@mishkanor.org). Rabbi Caruso and Rabbi Nosanchuk are past co-chairs of Greater Cleveland Congregations.

### CHAI LIFERS

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The Temple Chai Lifers is a community of vibrant and energetic adults who participate in a variety of cultural, learning and Tikkun Olam activities. The Chai Lifers community is defined by shared interests, not by age or formal membership. If you would like to join this group already looking ahead to Congregation Mishkan Or events in the fall, reach out to Candy Anker at [Mscartwo@gmail.com](mailto:Mscartwo@gmail.com).

### CONGREGATION MISHKAN OR BOOK CLUB

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The Hartzmark Library offers a Book Discussion group for those who desire a stimulating moderated discussion of fiction and nonfiction. Join fellow Mishkan Or members on Wed., August 14, to discuss *Sacred Trash: The Lost and Found World of the Cairo Geniza* by Adina Hoffman & Peter Cole. This discussion is in conjunction with the Africa & Byzantium Exhibition at the Cleveland Museum of Art, including a 15th-century ketubah from The Temple Museum's collection, discovered at the Cairo Genizah. Email Jane Rothstein, Librarian and Archivist, at [Jrothstein@mishkanor.org](mailto:Jrothstein@mishkanor.org) or call 216-831-3233.

### TEEN PROGRAMS

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Congregation Mishkan Or Youth Groups are avenues for our teens to get to know each other while engaging more with Judaism.

#### Mishkan Or Teens Jr. (MOT Jr.) for

**6th-8th Graders** MOT Jr. is designed to allow our middle school teens to create community, support each other and build their Jewish identities.

#### Mishkan Or Teens (MOT) for 9th-12th

**Graders** By participating in these youth groups, our teens at Congregation Mishkan Or will have the opportunity to grow both personally and communally, while fostering a strong sense of Jewish identity and leadership.

To learn more, reach out to Regina Krieger, Director of Teen/Monday Night Learning, at [Rkrieger@mishkanor.org](mailto:Rkrieger@mishkanor.org).

## Community Events

**Family History and Genealogy Open House: Our Food, Celebrations, and Stories! Sunday, Aug. 11, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., In-Person at Congregation Mishkan Or, in the Hartzmark Library:** Adult and family activities, resource tables, workshops, a live beehive and honey sampling, as well as tours of exhibitions at Mishkan Or and the Maltz Museum. Mishkan Or members Arnie Berger and Nate Arnold will be recognized for their contributions to Cleveland Jewish History and genealogy. For more information, contact Jane Rothstein at [jrothstein@mishkanor.org](mailto:jrothstein@mishkanor.org).

**One World Festival - Sunday, Aug, 25 beginning at 11 a.m.,** celebrating our Hebrew Cultural Gardens and multicultural Cleveland community, with performances including Mishkan Or Cantor Kathy Sebo. [www.clevelandoneworldday.org/2024/](http://www.clevelandoneworldday.org/2024/)

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## Mazel Tov to Our B'nai Mitzvah



**SAMUEL HARRIS**  
July 20, 10:30 a.m.  
Child of Lawrence  
and Dahlia Harris



**CHARLES 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



**TAYLOR GLUCK**  
August 3, 11 a.m.  
Child of Richard and  
Rachel Gluck



**SYDNEY POLK**  
August 10, 11 a.m.  
Child of Kevin and  
Melani Polk



**ETHAN SCHERAGA**  
August 24, 11 a.m.  
Child of David and  
Rachel Scheraga



**JOSHUA RICCHETTI**  
August 31 at 11 a.m.  
Child of Eric and  
Courtney Ricchetti



**LUCILLE GOLDENBERG**  
August 31, 4:30 p.m.  
Child of Neal Goldenberg  
and Meaghan Combs

## HIGH HOLY DAY & FESTIVAL WORSHIP:

The High Holy Days are later this year, with Selichot Worship on Saturday, September 28, Rosh Hashanah on October 2-3, Yom Kippur on October 11-12, and Sukkot and Simchat Torah in the days soon after. Worship will be held at both Congregation Mishkan Or and the Maltz Performing Arts Center. Livestreaming of our worship will be available as well. Details to come.



## IN MEMORY OF OUR MEMBERS

### Carol Ann Godes

Mother of Lauren Godes-Goodman (Doug), Cynthia Godes (David Blackstun) and Robert Godes (Susan)

### Alvin Rock

Husband of Carole Rock, father of Lauren Rock (Peter Turner), Susan Rock (Tom Millhoff) and David Rock (Dina Seegull)

### Patricia Plotkin

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

### Allan Schwartz

Husband of Ilene Schwartz, father of Nancy Schwartz Katz (Jordan), Wendy Schwartz Rapport, Meryl Schwartz Smith (John), Susan Schwartz Klein (Randall), and Laura Schwartz Loebel (Bryan)

### Walter Schwartz

Husband of Paula Schwartz, father of Laura Schwartz Resnik, Zachary Schwartz (Alice) and Aaron Schwartz (Sue Young)

## OUR CONDOLENCES TO

**Dr. Norton Winer (Lauren)** on the loss of his mother, Gertrude Geraldine Winer, grandmother of Jaime Winer (Scott)

## BIMAH FLOWERS IN MEMORY/HONOR OF

**August 2** - H.W. Beechler by his wife Via

**August 9** - Mildred Horvitz, a dear friend, on her birthday by Linda Angar; Albert "Pete" Pickus on his birthday by his wife Nancy and children Miriam, Peter and Matthew

**August 16** - Ida Fisher Zeidman, Jenny Kaplan Fisher, Sophie Zeidman and Virginia Horkheimer Silver by Adele Silver and Jonathan, Michael and Sarah and their families

**August 23** - Barry Laidman by the Laidman family in memory of husband, father and papa; Marcella Kuperberg by Dr. James R. Kuperberg; Mildred Kendis Englander and Hinda Zarkey Saul by Jon and Marlene Englander; Michael (Mickey) Garson by his wife Nancy and his children Heather and Troy, Gregory and Allison, Jessica and Michael, and his grandchildren

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If you would like to donate online, visit [mishkanor.org](http://mishkanor.org), click on GIVE, or call 216-831-3233. Please note, due to limited space in this issue, additional donations made recently will be acknowledged in the SEPTEMBER issue.

## CONTRIBUTIONS

### Angart Family Congregational Life

**Enrichment Fund:** In memory of Simon Angart on his yahrzeit by his daughter Linda Angart

### The Rabbi Richard and Susan Block Camp

**Scholarship Fund:** By Linda Demsey and Brad Demsey

### Berger Nosanchuk Family Endowment

**Fund for Social Action:** In memory of Walter Schwartz by Joanie Berger & Rabbi Rob Nosanchuk; in honor of Phyllis Berlas by Joanie Berger & Rabbi Rob Nosanchuk

### Cantor Vladimir Lapin Philanthropic Fund:

In honor of a welcome to CMO by Amy & Armond Budish

### Cantor Laureate Sarah Sager Philanthropic

**Fund:** Steve and Wendy Cohen; Karen Kerman in appreciation of Cantor Laureate Sarah Sager. Michael & Jennifer Beller in appreciation of Cantor Laureate Sarah Sager for the baby naming; in honor of our welcome to Congregation Mishkan Or by Amy & Armond Budish

### Cantor Sarah J. Sager Cantorial Chair Fund:

In honor of Phyllis Berlas by Carole Rosenberg

### Cantor Kathryn Wolfe Sebo Discretionary

**Fund:** In appreciation of Cantor Kathy Sebo by Suzy Berger; in appreciation of Cantor Sebo leading Aaron Goodman and Jennifer Goldberg's wedding by Lynn Goodman and Bruce Goodman; in support of Cantor Kathy Sebo by Ann Griffith and Marshall Griffith; in appreciation of Cantor Kathy Sebo for leading Liv's baby naming by Mandy Miller and Adam Miller; in appreciation of Cantor Kathy Sebo by Zachary Steinberg

### Caring Community Fund:

In memory of Larry Mann by Gail & Bob Flacks

### Annual Campaign (formerly Friends of

Fairmount); In memory of Michael Kallmeyer and David Goldfein by Michele Krantz

### General Fund:

In honor of the marriage of Joe Kanfer & Margie Moskovitz Kanfer from Esther, Larry and Miriam Hexter; in memory of Bernice S. Goulder by Donald W. Sobel; in memory of David & Carol Resnik by Harriet & Julius Resnik; in memory of Lester E. Sender by Steven Sender; in memory of Darrell Young by Susan & Dean Trilling

### Libman Family Youth Group Fund:

In honor of Nancy Libman's birthday by Amy Handel

### Lilyan & Jack N. Mandel Fund for Youth:

In memory of Alvin Rock by Rhoda Shapiro

### Trina & Herb Miller Music Fund:

In honor of Gloria Fine's milestone birthday by Trina Miller

### Rabbi Joshua Caruso Philanthropic Fund:

In honor of the upcoming wedding of Samantha Goldman & David Hernandez by Neil and Lisa Goldman. In appreciation of Rabbi Caruso and in memory of Marilyn Finkle by the Finkle family. In appreciation of Rabbi Caruso by Peter Brosse for his mother's unveiling; in appreciation of Rabbi Caruso for the naming of Ava Silbiger by Daniel Silbiger and Jessica Mendelson; in appreciation of Rabbi Caruso by Dr. Lou Klein for Nancy's Klein's unveiling; in honor of a welcome to CMO by Amy & Armond Budish; Pam & Harry Tepper in appreciation of Rabbi Josh Caruso.

### Rabbi Yael Dadoun Discretionary Fund:

In honor of the birth of Judah Dadoun-Naroditsky by Amy Budish & Armond Budish; in honor of Mitchell & Rochelle Arian's anniversary by Dennis Cott; in honor of Adam Cott's birthday by Dennis Cott; in memory of Alvin Rock by Gregg Levine and Howard Epstein; in appreciation of the birth of Judah Dadoun-Naroditsky by Ronna Sherman; in appreciation of Rabbi Yael Dadoun by Zachary Steinberg

### Rabbi Roger C. Klein Discretionary Fund:

In honor of Barbara Kuby for receiving the Volunteer of the Year award by Sally Good; in honor of Rabbi Klein for sponsoring wonderful senior events by Maude Shafron and Mel Shafron

### Rabbi Elle Muhlbaum Philanthropic Fund:

In honor of a welcome to CMO by Amy & Armond Budish

### Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk Philanthropic

**Fund:** In honor of a welcome to CMO by Amy & Armond Budish

### Claire E. Philip Fund:

In memory of Susan Friedman, Mary Howe and Dr. Sharon Grunfest Broniatowski by Roland Philip & Linda Sandhaus and Marcin Philip

### Drs. Chester & Franklin Plotkin Lectureship

**Fund:** In support of security and in memory of Pat Plotkin by Elaine Bercu

### Project Tzedek Fund:

By Beth Dery and Steve Schecter

### Rock My Soul Shabbat:

In memory of Fred D. Shapiro and to Cantor Sebo for officiating at his unveiling by Diane, Ira and Gary Richer

### Security Fund:

By Jamie Light and Ben Light Ruth & Irving Stern Holy Ark Fund: In memory of Terry Lynn Zirkon by Jane Frankel, Jessica Frankel Spira and Joshua Frankel

### Temple General Fund:

In honor of Rabbi Nosanchuk for leading Liv's baby naming by Mandy Miller and Adam Miller; in honor of Hope Miller's assistance with our oneg by Lynne Rudolph and Ted Rudolph; in honor of Marcel and Jackie Duhamel by Joanie Berger & Rabbi Rob Nosanchuk

### Temple Hunger and Social Justice Fund:

Donation to Camp Wise Israeli teens by E.J. Bloom; in memory of Patricia Plotkin by Cindy Dettelbach; in memory of parents, Elaine and Joseph Lissauer, on their yahrzeits by Chuck Lissauer; in memory of Alvin Rock by Cathy Pearlman

### Temple Torah Study Fund:

In honor of Rabbi Klein by Zachary Steinberg, Vicky Lynn, Nathan & Rose Guren Memorial Fund: Ann Ryan & Jeff Newman in memory of Lois Guren by Anonymous Donor

We are seeking Early Childhood Educators to join our growing program at Ganon Gil.

If you love working with young children and are passionate about fostering a loving and safe environment for little ones, we want to meet you! Contact Erica Wilkov at [EWilkov@mishkanor.org](mailto:EWilkov@mishkanor.org) to find out more.





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## Congregation Mishkan Or

### Special Offerings for Your Little Ones

#### **Havdalah and Playdate**

**Saturday, August 10, 4 p.m.**

If you have young children from 0-5, come celebrate Havdalah with other families. We'll sing, play, and enjoy some snacks together.

RSVP required so we have enough snacks and to give you more details. Email Holly Green, Ganon Gill Associate Director, at [Hgreen@mishkanor.org](mailto:Hgreen@mishkanor.org).

#### **Splashing Shabbat**

**Saturday, August 17, 11 a.m.**

Join us at this accessible and kid-friendly experience designed for families with children 0-5, which is perfect for older siblings, cousins and grandparents, too! Friends are also always welcome.

If our weather is nice, we plan to be outside and know your kids might get a little wet! Email Holly Green, Ganon Gill Assistant Director, at [Hgreen@mishkanor.org](mailto:Hgreen@mishkanor.org), and let us know you're joining us for splashy fun.

