

Update on our Senior Rabbinic Search

As we have previously announced, we have seated a group of wonderfully talented and dedicated congregants to serve on the Senior Rabbinic Search Committee. Led by Debra Hollander and Eric Silver, this group will work to find the best candidate for our next Senior Rabbi when Rabbi Nosanchuk retires sometime during 2026.

This committee has now begun its important work. Over the spring and early summer, they will be reaching out to the congregation in a variety of ways to seek your important input as they craft a job description and application for the search process. The first such outreach will come as part of our Sparks of Light series which will precede Shabbat evening services on Friday, May 23, at 5:15 pm. The Search Committee chairs, along with other members of the Committee, will be there to listen to your thoughts. Please stay tuned to future E-News editions and the website for more information as these connection and input opportunities take shape.

As we continue to prepare for this transition, we are exploring other strategies to enhance the success of our next Senior Rabbi. One such option is to work with the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR) to potentially engage an interim Senior Rabbi to help lead us through this transition. This approach is recommended by the CCAR and has been highly successful in many other congregations across the country facing a significant transition. We are working closely with Rabbi Nosanchuk in this exploration process, and he is strongly supportive of the potential of interim leadership for our congregation. An interim rabbi would work closely with our existing clergy, staff, and board of trustees to build leadership capacity and help create a pathway for success for our new long term, settled Senior Rabbi. Per CCAR guidelines, an interim rabbi cannot be considered as a candidate for the Senior Rabbi position.

We will keep you informed as the work of our transition and the Senior Rabbi Search Committee progresses.

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