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AT TBO



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Shabbat morning service

Saturday, January 11, 10:00 am, with service leader and musician Neil Weinstein



Join us for a Shabbat worship experience, including a Torah reading and a Board installation blessing. This service is geared toward our adult and *b'nei mitzvah* student community, and will last about ninety minutes.

Guests - Register at templebethor.org/service-registration/.
Registration ends Friday, January 10, 3:00 pm.

Family Shabbat

Friday, January 17, 7:00 pm, with Wanda & Mark Bresnick and Jonathan Roselle & Suzanne Powell, and musician Shoshana Stombaugh



This service is especially designed to nurture and engage our children and Religious School community. The evening will include songs, prayers and a story. The service will last less than an hour.

Guests - Register at templebethor.org/service-registration/.
Registration ends Friday, January 17, 3:00 pm.

Shabbat from Israel

Friday, January 24, 7:30 pm, with Rabbi Rachel Kort

Join us from the comfort of your own home as Rabbi Kort leads an abbreviated Shabbat worship experience. The focus of this evening together online will be Rabbi Kort sharing a taste of her experience in Jerusalem, where she is currently on sabbatical.



Save the dates
for Tu BiShvat events

February 9 - join the Religious School and other congregants for a volunteer opportunity in a community garden

February 21 - service and seder

Details next month

Guest speaker: Liz Skinner -
Prevention, Education and Outreach
Manager for Domestic Violence
Services of Snohomish County

Save the date

Saturday, February 1

Family Havdalah, dessert
and movie night at TBO!!

Watch for more
information.



From our President

Meet Nancy Rosen, our new president

“*Kol hatchalah kashah*” was the first sentence they taught us at the Ulpan in Haifa where I was learning Hebrew after moving to Israel in 1974. It means “every beginning is hard.” And here I am at another beginning!

It is with excitement and humility that I enter on this new adventure. I am so honored to be the new president of Temple Beth Or. Since moving to Washington and joining TBO, I have learned a lot about the TBO community. I expect you might want to learn something about me.

I was born and raised in New York, first in Rockaway and then on Long Island. My sister and I loved Rockaway. Our grandparents lived upstairs and we could enjoy ourselves on the boardwalk and visit the summer residents, mostly mothers and kids escaping the heat of pre-airconditioned New York City. Later, our family belonged to a Reform synagogue and I became bat mitzvah and had a confirmation, although “girls” couldn’t read from the Torah. Much later, I was the first woman to dance with the Torah on Simchat Torah at a Conservative shul in Tulsa! It’s been a journey. My mother was president of the Sisterhood and initiated the tradition of an annual interfaith luncheon, and my father was on the board.

After graduating from college in Boston, I worked at the UN and then went to graduate school in Arizona. Since then, I have attended and taught at several colleges in both the U.S. and France, studying and teaching mostly English and French literature. As a 4th-grade teacher in Tulsa in a language immersion school (French) I taught “everything” (elementary school teachers can relate). I have also taught Hebrew and other Jewish subjects to mostly middle and high school students. In addition to teaching various college classes in Florida, I served as Director of the Florida-Israel Institute for more than 10 years. The Institute’s mission was to promote social, scientific, academic, cultural and business connections between Florida and Israel, and to administer a college scholarship program for Israeli students.

Some of my volunteer activities have included serving on the board of Sister Cities International in Fort Lauderdale and Tulsa, tutoring for Reading Partners, and serving as chair of the Social Justice Committee of Temple Israel in Tulsa.

My hobbies include reading, knitting and crocheting, walking, acting, and studying languages. I love opera and ballet and *b’nei mitzvah*.

Of course, what is closest to my heart is my family: two children, five grandchildren, two nephews, and five great nephews. My sister and I FaceTime daily. There’s a lot more, but at my age that is to be expected!

I am picking up the reins after so many others have led TBO before me. I want to thank immediate Past President **Wanda Bresnick** and **Rabbi Kort** and all the others who have helped and encouraged and befriended me. May this year be a good one for us all!



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy".

Nancy Rosen, President (she/her)

Semiannual Membership Meeting

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Much occurred at our semiannual meeting on December 14. After *Havdalah*, the Board presented **Rabbi Kort** with a gift of a journal to use for drawing or writing while she is in Israel for her sabbatical. We heard the exciting activities happening in our vibrant Religious School. Our Remodel Task Force and our Capital Campaign made informative presentations, and our Finance Committee reviewed our budget. During the meeting, we voted to approve our incoming 2025 Governing Board and said “thank you” to members leaving the Board. **Wanda Bresnick** honored **Jeff Napp** as our Volunteer of the Year. A rousing auction followed for our parking spots. We closed out the meeting with words from incoming president, **Nancy Rosen**, and heard from our outgoing president, Wanda Bresnick.

For those unable to attend, here is the link so you can watch the meeting: tinyurl.com/tbomembershipmtgdec2024.
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TBO Semiannual Membership Meeting



A nice turnout, and others on Zoom



Our best wishes to **Rabbi Kort** for a rewarding sabbatical



Temple Beth Or is a volunteer-driven community, and many members step up to help. Each year, the president selects one member to honor, who has gone over and beyond to support our community. This year, our Volunteer of the Year is longstanding Temple member **Jeff Napp**.

Jeff has worn many hats over the years. Currently, he is both our VP of Community & Engagement and the co-chair of our Capital Campaign. Jeff is someone we can always count on to step up, show up and help out. You often see Jeff at the door greeting members arriving for services. Jeff is known for his kindness, compassion and calm temperament. He always thinks about the impact of actions on our community, and works to be inclusive and welcoming. His levelheadedness, willingness to hear various perspectives and ability to navigate different personalities is greatly valued. Thank you, Jeff, for all you do for TBO.

Wanda Bresnick passes the leadership mantle to **Nancy Rosen**





Sabbatical coverage

While **Rabbi Kort** is on sabbatical from January through June, we want to share how we will cover needs in her absence. *Please note, she will not have access to her TBO email or phone messages while she is away.*

Bereavement

In case of a death, contact Bereavement Committee members **Susan Cross**, **Melanie Field**, or **Carolyn Wexler**. Their contact information is in the TBO Membership Directory.

Mitzvah Corps

Mitzvah Corps is our committee that supports members through illness and surgery. If you or another TBO member needs support, please contact Carolyn Wexler.

Shabbat services

From January through June, we will have three Shabbat services per month. One service will be led by members of our TBO community with one of our professional song leaders, one service will have a professional leader, and one service will be led by Rabbi Kort over Zoom. If you have questions about services, please contact *Ruach* & Ritual Committee chair **Janis Warner**.

Let BOTOX add a smile to your life!

The Beth Or Task Force for Oversight of Congregational Services: BOTOCS (or, easier and snappier, BOTOX) is a new group that will help coordinate religious services and events for the first half of 2025 during the Rabbi's sabbatical. For more information, contact **Ron Green** or **Janis Warner**.

Please welcome new member Stacey Seidman

Stacey moved to Granite Falls from Southern California to be near family. She is an occupational therapist working part time at Providence Hospital. Stacey specializes in neuro and dementia cases, working with the geriatric population and people with physical disabilities. She tries to incorporate humor and fun with the therapy she provides.

Stacey has two sons. One is a musician who lives in Oregon. Her other son and daughter-in-law live in Mt. Vernon and are the proud parents of Minerva, her 4-month-old granddaughter and the love of her life!

Stacey is passionate about travel and has many interesting stories; her most recent travel was to Borneo and Bali, where she hired a private guide. They stayed with Dayak tribes and trekked for orangutans! She enjoys choral singing, and sang at our Rosh HaShanah services.

Stacey joined TBO to find a Jewish community. She is interested in social action and helping organize and participate in Jewish activities and celebrations in people's homes. Stacey's favorite holiday is Passover, when she incorporates everyone's creativity into a fun seder.



Campership and Teen Israel info

Temple Beth Or camperships



If you need financial assistance in sending your child to Jewish sleepaway camp, send in the camp application now and let them know you will be applying for both a Temple Beth Or and Jewish Federation campership. Campership information will be mailed to all Religious School families in the beginning of January. TBO campership applications are due February 28, 2025. There are no extensions to this date.

All Temple Beth Or first-time campers qualify for \$100 off tuition. You will need to apply for this discount by filling out the top portion of the TBO campership application. TBO will then pay the camp the first \$100.

Camperships from the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle

Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle offers need-based camperships. This year the deadline for Round 1 is January 17. We ask you to apply for a Temple Beth Or campership in addition to the one from Federation. Temple Beth Or works with Camp Kalsman and the Jewish Federation to make sure your children are able to attend camp.

First-time camper incentive grants are offered in partnership with the Foundation for Jewish Camp's One Happy Camper program.

More information can be found at the Jewish Federation's website. Visit www.jewishinseattle.org/camp-scholarships/.



Teen Israel Scholarships



The Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle is offering Teen Israel Scholarships. Three forms are required for a complete application. To apply, return completed teen and parent/guardian applications and two letters of recommendation. More information can be found on the Federation website at www.jewishinseattle.org/teen-israel-scholarships/.

Kalsman Spring Family Camp

Spend the weekend of April 25-27, 2025, at Camp Kalman and experience the joy of camp with your family. This is perfect for families with children ages 2-10. Registration will open soon. Pre-register at no cost and be one of the first to know when registration opens so you can select your ideal housing option. Visit [Events - URJ Camp Kalsman](#).



URJ has a great article explaining six reasons to send a child to Camp Kalsman. They are:

1. **Kid-centered Judaism**
2. **Camp friendships last beyond the summer**
3. **Immersive Jewish community, 24/7**
4. **Camp ends, but the Jewish community continues**
5. **Jewish camp addresses the whole camper**
6. **Camp helps kids succeed beyond childhood**

Read the full article here: tinyurl.com/why-camp.



From our Director of Youth Education

You palooza, we palooza, Hanukkahpalooza!

Sunday, December 15, was a special day in Religious School... the last session before winter break and our third annual Hanukkahpalooza. From tots to grandparents, all enjoyed singing their Hanukkah hearts out with **Noah Zeichner**, exploring creative, interactive holiday stations, and ending their sweet morning with delicious sufganiyot. Tots enjoyed a special Hanukkah Pajamakkah storytime.

Stations included:

- Seattle *hanukkiot* - tins, olive oil bottles, CD cases, toothpaste boxes and more...in Seattle, anything can be made into a *hanukkiah*!
- The Big Hanukkah Game - where your knowledge of Hanukkah was put to the test to help rebuild the Temple.
- GIANT *hanukkiah* lighting relay - students could be heard practicing the *brachot* (blessings) and running back and forth with their team to help light the giant *hanukkiah*, paying special attention to the direction candles are placed and lit.

Chag Hanukkah Sameach (Happy Hanukkah) from the Religious School!

Stefanie

Stefanie Somers (she/her)



Hanukkahpalooza 2024



From our Social Action Committee

The *Tzedakah* Box recipient for January-March is Jewish Coalition for



JEWISH COALITION *for*
IMMIGRANT JUSTICE NW

Immigrant Justice Northwest (JCIJ-NW). An "immigrant justice movement grounded in Jewish values, traditions, and community," JCIJ-NW works to raise awareness, educate and advocate for a more just immigration system.

You can donate through the *Tzedakah* Box in the foyer of TBO, on the TBO website, or directly to the organization. For more information, go to jewishcoalition.org.

Greater Everett Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. community celebration sponsored by the Snohomish County Black Heritage Committee

Sunday service, January 19, at 3:30 pm at First Presbyterian Church

March and rally, Monday, January 20, beginning at 11:00 am at the Everett Stadium

We have had good representation from TBO in the past and highly recommend joining in solidarity at this event. Dress for the weather and bring snacks and water. For more information, go to scbhwa.org.

Please join Shabbat services, Saturday, January 11, at 10:00 am in person or online. We will have a special speaker to educate us about the great work being done by Domestic Violence Services of Snohomish County.

"Free Societies Read Freely" is a slogan that makes a statement against book banning. It also makes a statement for reading widely and diversely - fiction and nonfiction; popular titles and obscure ones; comfortable stories and those that stretch us as readers and as people. As American Library Association President Cindy Hohl said on the occasion of Banned Books Week 2024, "At a time when our nation and the world is full of division, there is one place in almost every community with a welcome for everyone ... the library." Reading freely helps us question, believe, learn and understand others who are different than us. It's oddly ironic that people who seek to ban books are acknowledging the power books have to help us see the humanity in one another.

Below are some titles that might remind us of champions for freedom.

In honor of the MLK Jr. Day:

- *A Place to Land: Martin Luther King Jr and the Speech that Inspired a Nation* by Barry Wittenstein - all ages
- *Sing a Song: How Lift Every Voice and Sing Inspired Generations* by Kelly Starling Lyons - all ages

To inspire speaking out against book bans:

- *Property of the Rebel Librarian* by Allison Varnes - ages 10 and up
- *The Great Banned-Books Bake Sale* by Aya Khalil - elementary grades
- *Read These Banned Books* and *Read These Banned Books for Kids* - American Library Association
- *The ABA Right to Read Handbook: A Reader's Guide to Fighting Book Bans* - American Booksellers Association

The most frequently banned picture books in 2022, according to Pen America - pen.org/banned-picture-books-2022/.

For more recommendations for readers at all levels, visit Teaching for Change's curated list of books on a variety of topics at socialjusticebooks.org/booklists/.

Membership Committee news

Happy TBO Anniversary! We appreciate you being a part of our TBO community:



- Rennie and Janet Karr - 40 years **founding member**
- Tony and Kathie Roon - 40 years **founding member**
- Solly Rubin - 39 years
- Mike and Barb Ingram - 34 years
- Hanna Schwarz - 34 years
- Selma Balk - 32 years
- Rosie and Harvey Tatel - 32 years
- Sandy Voit and Ellie Hochman - 28 years
- Mendel Zacky - 25 years
- Debra Henry - 23 years
- Scott and Debra Lawson - 20 years
- David Gross - 15 years
- Roland and Tina Roth - 10 years
- Janet Robertson - 6 years



January *yahrzeits*



1/1/25	Nathan Busch	Father of Bernie Busch
1/1/25	Carl Sanche	Grandfather of Brian Yenna
1/1/25	Seena Seidman	Mother of Stacey Seidman
1/3/25	Louis Rosenzweig	Grandfather of Tony Roon
1/4/25	LaVera Barbour	Mother of Kaye Gorlick Grandmother of Joshua Gorlick and Rachel Gorlick
1/4/25	Jacob Ephross	Father of Mim Edelstein
1/4/25	Rosalie Gross	Wife of David Gross
1/4/25	Mark Israel	Cousin of Suzan Halle
1/5/25	Sylvia Hochman	Mother of Ellie Hochman
1/5/25	Jennie Merkadeau	Grandmother of Steve Wolff
1/5/25	Stan Wasser	Father of Barb Ingram
1/6/25	Ralph Barger	Father-in-Law of Naomi Katsh Barger
1/6/25	Lena Abromovitz Friend Miller	Grandmother of Geraldine Friend
1/6/25	Melvin Tatel	Father of Harvey Tatel
1/7/25	Annette Block	Friend of Hanna Schwarz
1/7/25	Homer Clinton Smith	Grandfather of Jane Blustein
1/7/25	Angie Williams	Grandmother of Autumn Halliwell
1/8/25	Naomi Fishman	Mother of Selma Balk
1/8/25	Julius Katsh	Grandfather of Naomi Katsh Barger
1/8/25	Joshua Landow	Grandfather of Harold Dash
1/8/25	Gerald Otto Lechner	Temple Beth Or Family
1/9/25	Morris Lichtman	Grandfather of Helen Grossman
1/9/25	Barbara Ticho	Grandmother of Rand Miller
1/10/25	Gloria Black	Mother of Norm Black Grandmother of Cece Black
1/10/25	Ludwig Klein	Brother of Hanna Schwarz
1/10/25	Jack Safran	Grandfather of Marla Phippen
1/10/25	Irwin Schoenfeld	Father of Howard Schoenfeld
1/10/25	Dorothy Trenor	Stepmother of Mel Trenor
1/12/25	Jacquelyn Schoenfeld	Stepmother of Howard Schoenfeld
1/12/25	Michael Weight	Husband of Cheryl Weight
1/14/25	Harland W. "Sonny" Fine	Father of Rabbi David Fine
1/14/25	James Chris Wilkinson	Husband of Nancy Wilkinson
1/14/25	Jack Wolff	Grandfather of Steve Wolff
1/15/25	Miriam Waldbaum	Mother of Jerry Waldbaum Grandmother of Amber Waldbaum
1/16/25	D. Leonard Cohen	Father of Janet Robertson
1/18/25	Martin Friedman	Father-In-law of Vicki Schwartz
1/18/25	Ellie Gurian	Grandfather of Anne Gurian
1/19/25	Minnie Morris	Grandmother of Ron Green
1/20/25	Phillip Wexler	Grandfather of Eldon Wexler
1/21/25	Sarah Bockserman	Mother-in-law of David Gross
1/22/25	Barney Gorenstein	Life Partner of Pamela Lonergan
1/22/25	Manfred Halle	Father of Suzan Halle
1/22/25	Joseph Kelly	Cousin of Sarah Davis
1/24/25	Leslie Mackoff	Father of Julie Mackoff
1/25/25	David Schwartz	Father of Vicki Schwartz
1/26/25	Lazarus Haet	Temple Beth Or Family
1/26/25	Martin Koss	Grandfather of Jeremy Feigen
1/26/25	Alexander Roon	Father of Tony Roon
1/26/25	Violetta R. Tolle	Grandmother of Tina Roth
1/27/25	George Adler	Father of Nancy Adler-Jones
1/28/25	Beverly Lemchen	Cousin of Carolyn Wexler
1/28/25	Jim Roberts	Brother of David Roberts
1/31/25	Grace Katsh	Mother of Naomi Katsh Barger
1/31/25	Edward Resnick	Temple Beth Or Family



Remodel news

- The hard bid from CPM, our contractor, showed construction costs of \$3,778,623. Adding other expenses and considering funds raised and anticipated, this indicates a funding gap of approximately \$1.3 million.
- Value engineering, the process used to identify ways to lower project costs, is underway to reduce the size of the funding gap.
- **Wanda Bresnick** signed a "letter of intent" with CPM, showing our intention to use them as our contractors for this project.
- We presented information at the December Semiannual Membership Meeting and answered lots of questions from those in attendance. To access a recording of the meeting, see the link on the bottom of page 2.
- A Storage Subgroup, led by **Rich Spitzer**, has been formed. They are making a list of all items requiring storage during construction, any special requirements and how much space will be needed.
- Watch for information about opportunities to help get the building ready for construction in the coming weeks - packing parties and other prep work.

Questions about the remodel can be sent to **Harold Dash**, **Melanie Field** or **Glen Pickus** at remodel@templebethor.org.

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity?

If you are thinking of joining a Temple committee, consider the Bereavement Committee. You could really make a difference when someone needs support. There is no other time when people feel more vulnerable and where your support is more needed and appreciated. We do not have meetings, but we are there when needed. Contact a member of the Bereavement Committee to talk about it (**Susan Cross, Carolyn Wexler, Melanie Field, or Amber Waldbaum**).

If you don't have time for another committee, then please consider attending the next funeral or memorial service. Your support for the bereaved family is needed and appreciated. You do not need to know the family; you are part of their Temple Beth Or family. Not sure what to do or say? Your presence is all that is needed.



Leadership News

During the Governing Board meeting on December 8, 2024, the Board did the following:

1. Met the incoming Board members who joined as observers at this meeting. Took time for introductions and sharing.
2. Confirmed details for the Semiannual Membership Meeting. Designated roles and reviewed agenda, including the gift for **Rabbi Kort** and the parking lot auction.
3. **Wanda Bresnick** shared a report from the Remodel Task Force (see article on page 9 for more information). Board discussed the gap in funds and the process moving forward.
4. **Jeff Napp** gave an update from the Capital Campaign. They are starting to meet with a few top donors. There will be a second ask once we break ground.
5. **James Feinberg** presented the finance report. We are currently on budget or a little ahead in all areas.
6. We acknowledged and thanked the outgoing Board members.

Our 2024 TBO Governing Board

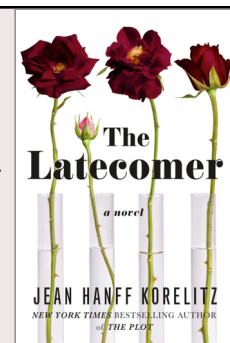


Moadon Kriya Book Club

Our next Book Club meeting is January 19, 10:00 am, at Temple Beth Or.

The Latecomer, by Jean Hanff Korelitz, follows the story of the wealthy, New York City-based Oppenheimer family, from the first meeting of parents Salo and Johanna, under tragic circumstances, to their triplets born during the early days of IVF. As children, the three siblings – Harrison, Lewyn, and Sally – feel no strong familial bond and cannot wait to go their separate ways, even as their father becomes more distanced and their mother more desperate. When the triplets leave for college, Johanna, faced with being truly alone, makes the decision to have a fourth child. What role will the “latecomer” play in this fractured family?

Thank you, **Gwen Campbell**, for leading the discussion this month.



Wyndi Russakoff

Temple Leadership

Rabbi

Rachel Kort

Governing Board

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Nancy Rosen

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Book Club: Wyndi Russakoff

Building: Vacant

Calendar: Sarah Davis

Campership: Sonia Siegel Vexler

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HHD (Yom Kippur): Julie Mackoff

Life & Legacy: Sonia Siegel Vexler

Library: Melissa VonAschen-Cook

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Nominations: Sonia Siegel Vexler

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Youth Education: Meghan Lefrancois-Hanson &

Rani Linarelli

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Tevet 1 Office closed 	2 Capital Campaign meeting 7:00 pm	3 Shabbat on your own - <i>parashah Vayigash</i> Liaison meeting 1:00 pm	4
5 TBO Tots <input type="checkbox"/> RS	6	7 Capital Campaign meeting 7:00 pm	8 Executive Board meeting 7:00 pm	9 Remodel Task Force meeting 7:30 pm	10	11 Shabbat morning service 10:00 am
12 Governing Board meeting 10:00 am <input type="checkbox"/> RS	13 BOTOX Task Force meeting 11:00 am	14	15 ORacle deadline Capital Campaign meeting 7:00 pm	16	17 Family Shabbat 6:30 pm	18
19 Book club 10:00 am <input type="checkbox"/> RS	20 Membership Committee meeting 7:00 pm	21 Office closed Life & Legacy Committee meeting 11:00 am	22	23	24 Shabbat from Israel 7:30 pm	25
26 <input type="checkbox"/> RS	27	28	29 Executive Board meeting 7:00 pm	1 Shevat 30	31 Shabbat on your own - <i>parashah Bo</i>	

Fill out the Calendar/Event Submission Form to add an item to the calendar and/or set up a Zoom meeting; this includes all committee meetings. Please submit a form even if you are using a private Zoom.

templebethor.org/calendar-submission

Note: Appointments are no longer required for visiting the building. During office hours, advanced notification of building access is requested for safety and security reasons. Please contact the office prior to entering the building (425-259-7125 x1). Office Hours are Tuesday - Friday from 9:00 am-4:30 pm.

Check ORbits, TBO Facebook page, or the TBO website for the most up-to-date information.



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Temple Beth Or Mission Statement

Temple Beth Or is a warm, compassionate, vibrant, spirited, inclusive, and participatory Reform Jewish community.

We are religiously and geographically diverse, serving the northern Puget Sound region of Washington State. As God's covenantal partners in fulfilling mitzvot, our priorities are:

- *K'hilah* (community)/*mishpachah* (family) — nurturing our interactive, multigenerational extended family;
- Torah - lifelong learning, searching for meaning, and seeking comfort and healing;
- *Avodah* - worship and celebration through the observance of meaningful, creative, and traditional rituals;
- *Tikkun olam* - transforming ourselves and our world through *tzedakah* (fairness), social justice, and *g'milut chasadim* (acts of loving kindness).

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