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Temple Emanuel



WHO WE ARE

Welcome to Temple Emanuel! We are a vibrant and caring Reform Jewish congregation with approximately 570 families, and a member of the Union for Reform Judaism. As a diverse congregation, we explore Jewish traditions, culture, rituals, and history in a warm environment that is inclusive, relevant, and inspirational. Preschooler or retiree, teen or mother, survivor or corporate climber, there are meaningful services, ceremonies and engaging events for everyone.

Lead by our dynamic Rabbis', Fred Guttman and Andy Koren, worship services are joyous, musical, informative and very welcoming. You will be delighted by the beauty of our sanctuary as we celebrate the many life cycle events in our community. Join us for our exceptional High Holiday services, Tot Shabbats, B'nai Mitzvah celebrations, the Martin Luther King Shabbat Service, and scores of other interesting speakers and special programs. Our Rabbis lead with a 24-hour dedication and commitment that is unparalleled.

Beginning with the Early Childhood Engagement Center (ECEC) and continuing through Confirmation and Adult Learning, Temple Emanuel provides educational opportunities for everyone. Our religious and pre-school programs are thriving and on any given Saturday morning you will find a lively Chevra Torah study session. Of particular note this year, Temple Emanuel is proud to offer the Florence Melton Adult Mini-School, in addition to our other instructive course offerings.

None of this happens without an enthusiastic community backed by a dedicated board and office staff. It is easy to become involved here. Brotherhood and Sisterhood are always seeking new members and programming ideas, and welcome your participation. Please explore our Empty Nesters, Friendship Circle for Senior Adults, Chesed Committee, and the numerous community service projects of the Social Action Committee in the following pages. Whether you are interested in music, recycling, rituals, terumah, education, or temple finance, we look forward to your membership and involvement. We strongly encourage you to come and spend some time with us. Feel free to contact Dana at membership@tegreensboro.org or Laura at Lbonasia@tegreensboro.org or (336) 292-7899 if you have any questions or would like to schedule a tour. We invite you to join us on an exciting journey of committed and meaningful Jewish living.

B'Shalom,



Dana Schleien
Membership Chair



Laura Bonasia
Executive Director



WHO WE ARE

The Greensboro Jewish community was settled by its first permanent residents in the 1890's. At this time, the earliest members of the Cone and Schiffman families arrived and were soon joined by relatives and in-laws. This decade saw a period of rapid growth for Greensboro. The population grew from 3,317 in 1890 to 10,035 in 1900 and it was in this atmosphere of optimism and rebirth that the foundation of modern Greensboro, with its Jewish community, was built.

The religious group that was to become Temple Emanuel was organized in 1907. The first documented formal worship services were for the High Holy Days and were held in the rented second floor of a grocery store on South Elm Street. Formal records began with minutes of the Trustees on February 8, 1908. A meeting was held to discuss arrangements for the purchase of the first Temple, a former Friends Church in the first block of East Lee Street. On April 9, 1909, the organization was officially named the Reform Hebrew Congregation, Inc., but was called the Greensboro Hebrew Congregation because of participation by both Reform and Orthodox Jews. The building was called Temple Emanuel. The Congregation was officially named Temple Emanuel in 1949 in recognition of the recently formed Conservative congregation at Beth David Synagogue.



Cornerstone

In October 1919, the decision was made to plan for a new Temple and the location on North Greene Street "overlooking Fisher Park" was selected. In 1920, the famous architect, Hobart Upjohn, was engaged and in the fall of 1922, construction began. The cornerstone was laid in 1923, the building was in use in 1924, and it was formally dedicated in June 1925. Women were admitted into full membership in 1923, an early break with tradition.

The Congregation continued to grow, and in the 1940s it needed to expand the Religious School. In 1949, architect and Temple member, Edward Loewenstein, drew up plans for a new Sunday



Greene Street Campus



Jefferson Road Campus

School wing and it was established later that year.

Expansion continued in late '50s which led to the construction and dedication in 1979 of the Rypins Building, an educational and meeting center named for Rabbi Frederick Rypins and his wife, Ruth Rypins.

In 1995, Fred Guttman became the Rabbi of Temple Emanuel and ushered in a new era. The Congregation again outgrew its facilities, so construction began on a second campus on Jefferson Road in Northwest Greensboro. This facility was completed in time for the High Holy Day Services in 2002.

The Jefferson Road Campus is the heart of Temple Emanuel's religious and educational facilities. Though the Rypins Building was sold in late 2003, services and special functions are still periodically held at the Greene Street location.

Today, Temple Emanuel is a congregation of approximately 570 families, and a proud member of the Union for Reform Judaism. We celebrated our 100-year anniversary in 2007.



WHO WE ARE



Fred Guttman, Senior Rabbi

Welcome to Temple Emanuel! Our Temple is an exciting place to be, for it represents a heritage that is more than four thousand years old.

While we, as Jews, recognize there are many ways to find favor in the sight of God, we believe we have chosen the way for us that has the greatest meaning. Our task is to translate and transmit that meaning to our own lives and those of the next generation. In order to do this we like to consider that our Temple is a place that pulsates with life.

As the Rabbi of this Temple, it is my task to do everything in my power to enhance and enrich your Jewish knowledge and experience in our congregation. I will be there for you at times of joy and sorrow. I will be there to help name your baby, or dedicate a new house. As your family grows, it is my hope that I will grow along with you.

Jewish education is one of my highest priorities. Please join us in our quest for greater knowledge of our heritage by taking advantage of what we have to offer educationally.

This is a very “family friendly” congregation. We invite you and your family, from the oldest to the youngest, to become involved. Here at Temple Emanuel, we are trying to create and maintain an active community in which our congregants frequently enter the doors of our Temple and, therein, feel a sense of belonging. Our goal is to have more Jews “come home” to Temple Emanuel and find meaning and contentment of spirit.

Once again, we are more than a little glad that you have become part of our community. Please contact me if you haven’t already. I would love to meet with you and tell you more exciting things that we are doing and to make a new friend.

Rabbi Fred Guttman,
M.H.L., M.Ed., D.Div.



Andy Koren, Rabbi / Dir. of Education

In Hebrew we say *b'ruchim ha-ba'im* when we greet each other. I love this phrase because it literally means, “blessed be those who have come here.”

Being Jewish in Greensboro is such a blessing. Ever since my wife, our two young children and I came to Greensboro, we have considered ourselves lucky to be part such a warm, inviting and vibrant community and congregation.

As the Director of Religious Education, I get to interact with our congregation’s learners, no matter what their age. Our Sunday Religious School and weekday Hebrew School are noted for teaching our youth the Jewish life skills and connections that will make our tradition both meaningful and enjoyable.

A large percentage of Temple Emanuel’s high school students avail themselves of the many learning, community service, and social opportunities we offer. We are proud that nearly all of our teens are involved through Confirmation at the end of 12th Grade. Our adult education line-up features a wide array of classes ranging from the fundamentals of Judaism and Hebrew language to more advanced explorations of Jewish thought, history and practice. Simply stated, we are a congregation that highly values lifelong Jewish learning.

Again, *b'ruchim ha-ba'im* – welcome to our congregation. Not only will you find Temple Emanuel to be a well of blessings, but I know that we will be blessed by having you as part of our growing family.

Rabbi Andy Koren, M.H.L.
Director of Religious Education



WHO WE ARE



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to whom we are forever grateful!

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 Barry Frank.....2000-2002
 Sherry Dickstein.....2002-2004
 Marc Isaacson.....2004-2006
 Andrew Brod.....2006-2008
 David Delman.....2008-2010
 * Deceased

Temple Office Staff

(Left to Right)

L to R:

Amanda Tadlock, Louise Van Schaack,
 Natasha Kobeleva, Laura Bonasia, Jessie Melamed,
 Mary Lou Robison, Brenda Henley





Shabbat Service Times



Jefferson Road Campus
1129 Jefferson Road, Greensboro NC 27410
(336) 292-7899

Jefferson Road Campus

Friday Evenings*
6:30pm (unless otherwise noted)

Saturday Mornings
10:30am

Tot Shabbat
Second and Fourth Friday every month
6:00pm

Shabbat Mishpacha
Beginning in September, every other month
6:00pm Tot Shabbat
6:30pm Congregational Shabbat Dinner
7:30pm Family Shabbat Service

Greene Street Campus

*First Friday Evening of every month
Shabbat Services
6:30pm



Greene Street Campus
713 N. Greene Street, Greensboro NC 27401

Jewish Year 5772 Holidays (2011 - 2012)

Rosh Hashanah: September 29, 2011
Yom Kippur: October 8, 2011
Sukkot: October 12, 2011
Simhat Torah: October 20, 2011

Chanukah: December 20, 2011
Tu B'shevat: February 8, 2012
Purim: March 8, 2012
Passover: April 6, 2012
Yom Ha'shoah: April 18, 2012

Yom Ha'Zikaron: April 25, 2012
Yom Ha'Atzma'ut: April 26, 2012
Shavuot: May 27, 2012
Tisha B'av: July 29, 2012



Early Childhood Engagement Center

Our pre-school program is called **The Early Childhood Engagement Center (ECEC)**. We provide a hands-on experience in a Jewish environment of individualized learning and growth. Inspired by the Reggio Emilia approach to early childhood education, children are engaged to acquire skills of critical thinking and collaboration. We explore Jewish culture and heritage through nature, songs, artwork and stories designed for two-five years olds. Each week culminates in a delightful Shabbat service with our Rabbis.



ECEC Play Time

We are currently enrolling children in three or five day pre-school programs for the 2011-2012 school year.

Hours: 9:00am – 1:00pm.



We reinforce this program with **Tot Shabbat**, our fun-filled children's service open to the entire community, held on the second and fourth Friday evenings of every month.

In addition, ECEC provides entertaining and educational programming throughout the year for our young families, including special programs: family concerts and movies, parent's night out, and new this year, **Mazel Tots**, a play group for parents and young children. Please contact **Louise Van Schaack, Director** at Louise@tegreensboro.org.

TE Religious School

The goal of the **Temple Emanuel Religious School (TERS)** is to help children increase their knowledge of Reform Judaism, while instilling in them the love and pride of their Jewish heritage and identity. We encourage connections through a strong foundation in Jewish knowledge, tradition and culture taught by our caring teachers.

To accomplish this, we teach Jewish history, customs, rituals, prayer, Hebrew, Israel and *tzedakah* within a caring, safe, active and fun learning environment. All students, pre-school -12th grade, attend classes and high school students are strongly encouraged to be madrichim (assistants in the lower grades) on Sunday mornings and continue their studies both in and out of the classroom. The basic curriculum is enriched with art, music, and projects.

Hours: Sunday at 9:30am-Noon, Tuesday for 4th-6th graders at 4:15-5:45pm and Wednesday for 6th graders at 4:15-5:45pm.

Our students also enjoy **special programs** such as:

The Children's Choir *Rosh Hodesh – It's a Girl Thing!* *Sacred Choices*

L'Taken Social Justice Seminar in Washington, DC *New Orleans Community Service Trip*

The March of the Living



First Day of Religious School

Director, Rabbi Andy Koren



LIFELONG LEARNING

B'nai Mitzvah

Becoming a Bar or Bat Mitzvah at Temple Emanuel is an exciting time for study, achieving goals and celebrating! Students spend years preparing to stand before the congregation chanting Torah, haftarah and presenting their interpretations through a d'var torah. They work primarily with a special B'nai Mitzvah tutor in private study for half a year. Each student meets progressively throughout their study with both Rabbis to prepare for this special achievement as they enter Jewish adulthood. The Bar and Bat Mitzvah experience deepens their identification and commitment and is the beginning of their adult connection to Temple Emanuel.



Bat Mitzvah

Teen Education/Confirmation



L'Taken Trip

Upon completing their Bar and/or Bat Mitzvah, we encourage our teens to commit to further their Jewish studies by participating in teen educational program opportunities through confirmation. Opportunities for involvement include: attending classes, volunteering as a Madrich in the Religious School, and participating in the March of The Living, L'Taken or New Orleans community service trips.

The major goal of our 12th grade Confirmation Class, taught by Rabbis Guttman and Koren, is to prepare students to be responsible, aware, and active Reform Jews. Temple Emanuel is proud to showcase its Confirmands with a personalized service around the holiday of Shavuot.

Our Rabbis are committed to giving teens the awareness that their actions will impact the future of the Jewish people. We are proud to report that the religious school retained 80% of the recent 12th grade class after B'nai Mitzvah. In the past few years, we have maintained between 70-80% of all of the kids who have become a B'nai Mitzvah. Three quarters of those we have retained go to Israel before high school graduation. In 2010, 100% of our teens had been to Israel.



March of the Living Trip



Confirmation Class 2011



LIFELONG LEARNING



Adult B'nai Mitzvah

Adult Education

For the second year, Temple Emanuel is offering **The Florence Melton Adult Mini-School**. We are proud to be a recipient of the prestigious Covenant Grant, one of only 3 small-sized communities in the country to have opened a new branch. The Florence Melton Adult Mini-School is a world pioneer in the field of adult Jewish education and forms an international network of community-based schools

offering adults the opportunity to acquire Jewish literacy in an open, trans-denominational, intellectually stimulating learning environment.

This 30-week, 2-year program is lead by Senior Rabbis Fred Guttman and Eli Havivi and is available by application. The curriculum consists of:

Year I: Rhythms of Jewish Living, Central ideas & texts which inform rituals daily, weekly, annual, & life cycle observance & **Purposes of Jewish Living**, Essential Jewish theological concepts & ideas as they unfold in the Bible, the Talmud & other sacred texts.

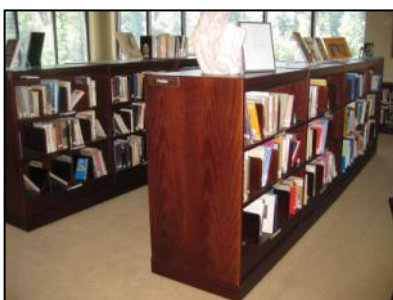
Year II: Ethics of Jewish Living, Ethical issues such as justice, life and death, sexuality & community, with case studies from Talmudic, rabbinic and contemporary literature & **Dramas of Jewish Living Throughout the Ages**, Dramatic developments, experiences and issues from different periods in Jewish history, as reflected in historical texts.

Additional classes featuring area Rabbis, scholars and teachers will highlight lessons from Jewish text and Israel studies. These will include adult beginning and intermediate Hebrew, as well as Judaic studies. Periodically, we offer an Adult B'nai Mitzvah course, culminating in a special Saturday morning service.

The community is also invited to join us every Saturday morning at 9:00a.m. for our master class, **Chevra Torah**, in the Boardroom at the Jefferson Campus. This lively study group, led by one of our rabbis, explores the weekly Torah portion. No prerequisite knowledge is needed and all, regardless of background, are welcome.



Adult Bar Mitzvah



Book stacks

Library

The Temple Emanuel library is a special and valuable resource to the members of our congregation and is staffed and organized by the Temple Sisterhood. Materials range from children's literature, through young adult and adult interests. The library includes fiction, biographies, the Holocaust, philosophy, religion, holidays, folklore, and the bible among others.

It is open on Sunday mornings when Religious School is in session or upon special request.



GETTING INVOLVED

Sisterhood

The purpose of the Temple Emanuel Sisterhood is to build relationships among our female congregants while providing a rich and varied program of educational, spiritual, cultural and social activities, while simultaneously providing support for Temple-wide events and fundraising efforts. The Sisterhood encompasses women of all ages and stages of life. It is the women's voice of our congregation where lifelong friendships are formed, support is offered, education is explored, and growth occurs in our knowledge of Israel, our heritage, and our practice of reformed Judaism. Sisterhood is proud to present Shabbat candlestick holders to each Bat Mitzvah student. We strive to make women feel comfortable and connected.



Women's Seder

There is something to interest everyone:

- Break-the-Fast Dinner
- Sisterhood Shabbat
- The Women's Seder
- Temple Emanuel Jewish Festival
- Library Staffing and Organization
- Sisterhood Gift Shop



Sisterhood Board

The annual membership fee is \$40.00 and the first year is free for new members. We always welcome and encourage your involvement, contribution, and input!

To learn about ways in which you can help, please contact Sisterhood President, Stacey Papier, by email at sisterhood@tegreensboro.org, or call the Temple office at 336-292-7899.



Stacey Papier
Sisterhood President



GETTING INVOLVED

Brotherhood

A part of Temple life at Temple Emanuel for more than 75 years, the Brotherhood strives to support our congregation and encourages attendance at Temple events in the spirit of camaraderie among its male members. Brotherhood strives to promote interest in social and educational affairs, including community service, and Brotherhood is especially proud to present a Kiddush Cup to each Bar Mitzvah student.

There is something to interest everyone:

- High Holiday Ushering, Parking & Security
- Opening & Closing Luncheon for Religious School
- Purim Carnival
- Chanukah Bazaar BBQ
- Greensboro Urban Ministry Monthly Dinners
- Temple Sukkah and Temple Menorah set-up
- Sports Breakfast
- Boys Mentoring Program
- Mitzvah Day Breakfast
- Greensboro Jewish Festival



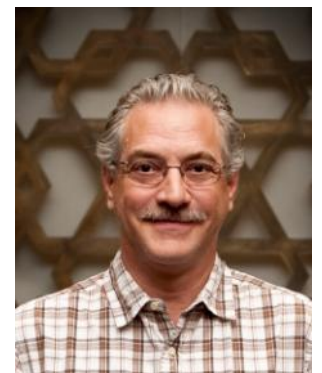
Sports Breakfast



Urban Ministry, meal preparation

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To learn more about ways in which you can help, please contact Brotherhood President, Howard Benson, by email at brotherhood@tegreensboro.org, or call the Temple office at 336-292-7899.



Howard Benson
Brotherhood President



Social Action



Mitzvah Garden

This very active committee is always welcoming new members. Both ongoing and once a year projects ensure enough variety to fit your interests and enough flexibility to fit your schedule. We focus our efforts on Greensboro and Guilford County and maintain close relationships with a number of local agencies. To read more about how you can help, visit us online at www.tegreensboro.org/social_action

The Social Action Committee addresses issues that have a social, political, environmental or religious impact on us as Jews and citizens of the community. In keeping with URJ resolutions and guidelines, the committee works to provide opportunities for Temple members of all ages and abilities to work toward making a positive difference locally and fulfilling our mission of *Tikkun Olam*, repairing and healing the world.



Preparing Meals and Kits for Streetwatch

Ongoing Projects:



Out of the Garden Project

- **Mitzvah Garden**
Food from the corners of our fields goes to feed the hungry in Greensboro. Volunteers of all ages can help plant, weed, water & harvest.
- **Mitzvah Crib**
Donate your gently used books, toys & childrens' clothes to local families in need.
- **Refugee Support Team**
Sign up to help acclimate a new refugee family. Training provided, flexible hours.
- **Hot Dish & Hope**
Join us at First Presbyterian on the third Thursday and fifth Tuesday of each month at 5:30 to serve a hot meal to people who are hungry.
- **SPCA Sundays**
Walk dogs, clean cages and feed the animals at the SPCA. We usually meet once a month, typically the 3rd Sunday.

To become involved, or for more information about any of our projects, please contact Social Action Committee Chair, Lia Lewis, at 423-7383 or lialewis@triad.rr.com, or see Brenda Henley in the Temple office.



Lia Lewis
Social Action Chair



Temple Emanuel Committees

Committees are fundamental to the operation of Temple Emanuel — Member participation is crucial!

Every member of the Temple is invited to belong to one or more committees.

If you are interested, please call the Temple office at 336-292-7899 or send an email to Laura Bonasia, Executive Director, Lbonasia@tegreensboro.org.



Archives

This committee seeks to gather and preserve the documentary history of our congregation.



Education Board

Amy Epstein, Chair

The Board of Education serves as a sounding board for the Director of Education, helps set Religious School policies, facilitates parental involvement in the school and oversees the Hebrew High School program.



Chesed (Caring)

Renee Miller, Chair

This committee works with the rabbis to provide for various individuals and families in our congregation who are suffering from hardship, illness or bereavement.



Cemetery

Leonard Guyes, Chair

This committee oversees the cemetery, its upkeep and budget; sets policies concerning the cemetery and the prices of plots; works on growing the cemetery endowment.



Terumah

Lauren Robinson, Chair

This committee reviews and approves all membership applications to Temple Emanuel and written requests for waivers and reduction of terumah and fees; promotes collection of outstanding terumah, fees and pledges, and reviews and accepts all resignations. Due to confidentiality, committee meetings are closed and membership is by appointment only.



Finance

Todd Schwarz, Chair

The Finance Committee prepares the annual budget and monitors the Temple's assets.



House & Grounds

Paul Mengert, Chair

This committee supports and guides the Executive Director in the following areas: maintenance, repairs and improvements of the Temple Emanuel buildings and grounds, supervision of custodial staff and oversight of facility usage.



Membership

Dana Schleien, Chair

This committee seeks to provide a welcoming atmosphere to all newcomers and prospective members of Temple Emanuel, as well as, current members.



Music

Paul Fribush, Chair

The music committee oversees the music budget and programs of Temple Emanuel and plans special musical events throughout the year.



Early Childhood Engagement

Barri Maxwell, Chair

This committee oversees the Early Engagement Center at Temple Emanuel including the preschool and all the early childhood programs such as Tot Shabbat and Mazel Tots.



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Ritual

Ken Eisenberg, Chair

This committee sets ritual policies for Temple Emanuel in coordination with the rabbis.



Teva (Environmental Sustainability)

Annette Green, Chair

This committee designs, implements, promotes and assesses the success of recycling and related environmental efforts at Temple Emanuel.



Social Action

Lia Lewis, Chair

This committee sponsors forums and projects and assists in the planning of our annual Mitzvah Day. It reviews URJ resolutions in the area of social action and may recommend actions or positions on these issues.

Temple Emanuel Clubs

Friendship Circle for Senior Adults - *Leah Strulson, Director*

The Friendship Circle is a social gathering for seniors 55 years of age and older.

The group meets the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month at 12:00pm for fun, food, fellowship and special programs. Outside activities for this group consist of weekend bus tours and day trips, attending evening functions, personal visitations, luncheons out, and hosting senior groups from other congregations for lunch.



Friendship Circle Seder

Empty Nesters - *Marnie Ruskin & Midge Pines, Co-Chairs*

This group is for non-family focused, peer-oriented, social, emotional, cultural, religious and recreational activities. Membership is for Temple members who are married, single, employed or retired. To join you must be eligible for the coveted senior discount (55+).



MEMBERSHIP

“If I am not for myself, who will be for me?
If I am not for others, what am I?
If not now...” *-Rabbi Hillel*

We have a beautiful facility where we gather to worship, learn, create, improve our world, celebrate and even mourn together. In order for Temple Emanuel to be there in times of need — as well as in times of joy — your membership is key to building a secure Jewish future. We all share an important commitment to supporting our Temple congregation now, and for future generations.



Wedding Ceremony

Through Terumah, annual support, we sustain a caring and inclusive community. Here are some of the wonderful benefits of belonging to our community.

We enrich and support the following life cycle events:

- Birthday Celebrations
- Marriage Ceremonies
- Baby Naming or Bris Rituals
- B'nai Mitzvah Ceremonies
- Religious School Graduations
- Anniversary Observances
- Funeral, Shiva Services
- Burial in our Cemetery?
- Yahrzeit Commemorations

You can enjoy participating in numerous, ongoing activities throughout the year:

- Shabbat and High Holiday Services
- Additional Holiday Services and Celebrations; Sukkot, Simchat Torah, Chanukah, Purim, Passover, Yom Ha'shoah, Yom Ha'Zikaron, Yom Ha'Atzma'ut, Shavuot, Tisha B'av
- Special Events, i.e. Musical Concerts, Films, and Lectures
- Sisterhood and Brotherhood Programming
- Social Action Pursuits
- Empty Nesters & Friendship Circle Happenings
- Shabbat Mishpacha Services and Dinners
- Early Childhood Engagement Activities and Preschool
- Religious School Classes, Outings, and Social Justice Learning Opportunities
- Adult Education Classes and Chevrah Torah



ECEC Party



“If not now, when?” -*Rabbi Hillel*

You can become as involved as you would like, since your membership entitles you to voting privileges at congregational meetings, the monthly newsletter and other mailings, participation in a variety of programs (with the exception of specific educational fees), inclusion in the membership directory and an invitation to join various clubs and committees.

And of course you benefit from the unseen, but crucial mechanisms of support such as our security



Mezuzah Caravan

measures, building maintenance, and the phenomenal Rabbis and staff that are dedicated to making it all happen so seamlessly.

We welcome people of all ages and abilities, and we encourage the participation of non-Jewish partners in the life of our community.

Temple Emanuel's Mission Statement

Temple Emanuel strives to be a place of *Keruv*, of closeness to God and Jewish culture. Temple Emanuel's mission is to bring its congregants closer to:

Tikkun Olam - The commitment to repair God's world through the pursuit of justice;

Tikkun Nefesh - Personal and spiritual growth as a Jew and as a human being;

Talmud Torah - Lifelong study of Torah and of Jewish history and tradition;

Am Yisrael - The Jewish people in Greensboro, the United States, Israel, and worldwide;

Eretz Yisrael - The land, people, and state of Israel;

Mishpacha - A sense of extended family through a warm and supportive atmosphere;

Reform Judaism - Its principles and values.

For more information about joining our family, please contact Laura Bonasia, Executive Director, or Dana Schleien, Membership Chair, at 336-292-7899 or see Brenda Henley, Director of Congregational Services, in the Temple office.



Family Hug - Mezuzah Caravan