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**MUSICIAN-IN-RESIDENCE WEEKEND: FEBRUARY 25-27, 2022**

Friday night services, a Saturday concert and Havdalah experience, programs with Torah Center, and more!

**Temple Emanuel of South Hills**

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# T'Filah

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Shabbat Evening Services – Fridays at 7:00pm

Join us for our Shabbat evening services in the Beit HaT'filah. Face coverings, over both nose and mouth, are required regardless of vaccination status to protect the most vulnerable members of our community including children. You can also continue to connect with us via [Temple's website](#), [Facebook](#), or [Youtube](#). An electronic copy of Mishkan T'filah, the congregation's prayer book, can be accessed [here](#).

Immediately following the service, grab your favorite beverage and snack and join our virtual oneg on [Zoom](#) to schmooze with fellow congregants!

### Shabbat Morning Services – Saturdays at 8:30am

Join us virtually for our 30-minute Shabbat morning services using the links listed above.

### Havdalah – Saturdays at 8:00pm\*

Join us virtually on Temple's [Facebook page](#).

\*Join us at 7PM on February 26th

### Lay-Led Morning Minyan – Sundays at 9:30am

Click [here](#) to join the minyan virtually on Zoom.

### B'nai Mitzvah Services – Shabbat Mornings at 10:30am

March 26 – Hannah Markowitz

April 2 – Jack Lederman

April 9 – Ida Epshteyn

*\*All in-person and virtual services are subject to change as we navigate the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. Please check your weekly emails or Temple's website for the most current information.*

## Special Shabbat Programming

### Scout Shabbat – Friday, 2/11

*Scout Shabbat is the Jewish opportunity to celebrate the connection between Scouting and Faith, where we recognize and celebrate all levels of Scouting from Daisy/Tiger through Adult. If you or your child would like to participate, please contact [Steph McFerron](#).*

2/4	3rd Grade Class Shabbat
2/18	Guest Speaker Ali Michael*
2/25	Elana Jagoda & Saul Kaye*
3/4	4th Grade Class Shabbat
3/11	2nd Grade Class Shabbat
3/18	5th Grade Class Shabbat
4/1	7th Grade Class Shabbat

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## A MESSAGE FROM RABBI AARON MEYER

"It was a sunny day early in May [perhaps March] of 1922. My two grandmothers, rocking gently in chairs provided for their especial comfort in our house, communed in Yiddish. Their conversation was not intended for my ears, but since Grandma Rubin was slightly hard of hearing, and since both were moved by intense emotion, I could eavesdrop without any difficulty.

"In-law," said my mother's mother, "Talk to your son. Tell him not to do this thing!"

"Mahateineste (in-law)," said Grandmother Kaplan, "you know a son doesn't listen to his mother. You talk to your daughter. Tell her to tell him not to do this thing!"

And what was this terrible deed which my father was about to perform, and which they both sought uselessly to prevent? He was planning to present me in a public ceremony in synagogue as a bat mitzvah."

Thus begins Judith Kaplan Eisenstein's reflections on becoming the first Bat Mitzvah. Though she read from a Chumash rather than the Torah itself, and did so only after her father had completed the traditional reading, her actions opened the door for equality of women in Jewish ritual and life. "No thunder sounded, no lightning struck," she recalled. "The institution of Bat Mitzvah had been born without incident, and the rest of the day was all rejoicing." (You can read her entire reflection [here](#).)

We are not entirely sure what prompted Rabbi Mordecai Kaplan, her father, to create this trailblazing opportunity. Perhaps the timing in American life was just right: the 19th Amendment to the Constitution was ratified just two years earlier. As a rabbi and a father of four daughters, maybe he took seriously their Jewish upbringing and education. It could be that, as Judith writes, he simply believed firmly in the equality of women in Jewish life. Whatever his motivation, his leadership of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism in New York City and ideological foundation of what we now know as Reconstructionist Judaism changed the Jewish world for the better now 100 years ago.

Standing on her shoulders some 50 years later, Sally Priesand became the first woman ordained as a rabbi in the United States in 1972. She writes: "My parents gave me one of the greatest gifts a parent can give a child: the courage to dare and to dream. With their encouragement, I was able to remain focused on my goal, relatively unconcerned that no woman had ever been ordained rabbi by a theological seminary and determined to succeed despite the doubts I heard expressed in the organized Jewish community." The stained-glass ceiling was broken by another hero of modern Judaism, opening even more doors for the full inclusion of women in Jewish life.

Rabbi Sally Priesand, Judith Kaplan, and other pioneering women in Jewish life have helped ensure that a different set of life experiences, perspectives, and opinions are heard and valued when interpreting, teaching, and living Judaism. We are incredibly fortunate to live in an era when girls and women can see themselves reflected in the leadership of Judaism from an early age, yet there is clearly more work to be done to ensure not only the authority and safety of women in Jewish leadership but that we continue to expand the circle. We have ongoing obligation to ensure that the diversity of the Jewish community is reflected in Jewish leadership: men, women, and non-binary individuals of all abilities, orientations, racial backgrounds and more bring unique gifts to the Jewish people that strengthen Jewish life. Realizing this — and more importantly acting upon it — will be the true celebration and realization of the efforts of Judith Kaplan and Sally Priesand in this anniversary year.



## Endowments – Securing Temple’s Future

*By: Michelle Markowitz, President*

It is not an exaggeration to say that without our Endowment Funds, Temple Emanuel’s financial present would be challenging. It is also not an exaggeration to say that without a concerted effort to better utilize and grow our Endowment Funds, Temple’s financial future will be uncertain.

What is an Endowment Fund? According to the National Council of Nonprofits, endowments are “assets (usually cash accounts that are invested in equities or bonds, or other investment vehicles) set aside so that the original assets (known as the ‘corpus’) grow over time as a result of income earned from interest on the underlying invested funds.” “The goal of most organizations with endowments is to allow the corpus to grow without withdrawals so that the underlying corpus increases in value over time, and the interest earned is available every year for the stated purpose of the endowment.”

Temple Emanuel is blessed to have four separate Endowment Funds. One of the goals of Temple’s Board this year is to focus on how together we can best utilize and grow these funds. At our December Board meeting, the Board voted to create an Endowments Committee, led by Treasurer Tracy Barnett, which is tasked with the purpose of fulfilling these goals.

So, what are Temple’s Endowment Funds and how are they used?

### ***Rabbi William Sajowitz Endowment Fund***

The purpose of this Fund is “to enhance the cultural, educational, religious, social action and youth endeavors of the Temple and its members with emphasis on strengthening our commitment to the Reform Movement.” This Fund provides approximately \$16,000 per year toward Temple programming, as well as scholarships for Jewish camps and trips to Israel.

### ***Louise “Sissie” Sperling Endowment Fund***

The purpose of this fund is to “supplement [Temple’s] annual operating income.” This is Temple’s most flexible fund, as its yearly percentage can be spent on any aspect of Temple’s budget. At this point, the Sperling Fund provides about \$15,000 per year towards our budget.

### ***Diskin Music Fund***

With tremendous gratitude to the Diskin family, this is Temple’s largest Endowment Fund. Its purpose is the “development and/or continuation of the Temple’s musical endeavors and activities, the cultivation and support of musical scholarship, the purchase and preservation of musical resources, the endowment of a musical directorship as well as other related musical appreciation opportunities which would enrich the Temple and enhance the relationship between the Temple and the South Hills community.” The dollars available from this Fund have already blessed us with the ability to engage Temple’s first-ever Student Cantor, and we are so excited to share with you updates in the coming months about efforts made to engage additional staff.

### ***Life & Legacy Fund***

For the last five years, a dedicated team at Temple Emanuel, led by Matt Schwartz, in partnership with the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation, has been working to create Temple’s newest endowment fund. At this point, approximately 40 members have pledged donations to this Fund.

Are you interested in helping to secure Temple’s future? If you’re interested in participating on the Endowments Committee, please reach out to [Tracy Barnett](#) to find out more information. If you’re interested in making a donation to any of these funds, please reach out to [Michelle Markowitz](#) (412-512-3513) or Executive Director [Leslie Hoffman](#) (412-279-7600) and we will be sure to point you in the right direction. On behalf of the Board, we look forward to continuing to work together to secure Temple’s financial future.



## Living Our Values at ECDC: The Chair Project

At ECDC our core values—*Hachnasat Orchim* (Welcoming), *Kehillah* (Community), *Kavod* (Respect), *Tzedakah* (Sharing), and *Simchat Limud* (Joy of Learning)—guide our daily work with the children. While these principles sometimes go unspoken, embedded into our pedagogy and approach, we often look for ways to allow the children to live these values in their work at school.

If you've entered Temple from the rear porch, you may have seen an example of *Hachnasat Orchim* in action. Our *Atelierista*, Michelle Dreyfuss, invited the children of ECDC

to participate in The Chair Project. Across our classrooms, children worked to paint and collage the chairs to create a welcoming seating area for visitors to Temple Emanuel and ECDC. Ms. Dreyfuss shared, "The mitzvah of welcoming guests is not just about inviting people in but also making them feel honored, relaxed, and at home. We often welcome friends by offering them a place to sit. The children were reminded how kind it is when we tap the chair next to us and invite a friend to sit next to us." We hope on your next visit to Temple you'll take a minute to enjoy our new seating area—maybe you'll meet a new friend!



### Other news from ECDC:

Registration for School Year 2022-2023 will open in early February. Information will be found at our website: <https://www.templemanuelpgh.org/ecdc/about-ecdc/>

Contribute items requested by our educators using our Amazon Wishlist: <https://tinyurl.com/j5yv3j8>

Are you interested in joining our team at ECDC? We are looking for educators to add to our roster of substitute teachers. Please contact Director Kate Louik at [klouik@templemanuelpgh.org](mailto:klouik@templemanuelpgh.org) for more information.

## TORAH CENTER

It has been a busy few months in Torah Center! Our students of all ages participated in the Mitzvah Mall where they learned about a variety of organizations within our community. The value of doing mitzvot and giving tzedakah was reinforced at the classroom level with the mitzvah mall providing the tie in. Our 6th graders, with the help of Ms. Freed and Mrs. Reverri; aided by our madrichim Eitan Schwartz, Mia Levine, and Melanie Rock planned and executed our annual mitzvah mall seamlessly. Their hard work created a demonstrable way to embrace the concept of tzedakah for even our youngest of students! Some of our local organizations sent a representative, both the 2- and 4-legged kind! Animal Friends joined us with some special guests as well as Ronald McDonald House, SHIM, Foster Love Project, Miracle League, Rainforest Trust, Meals on Wheels, and our own Temple Emanuel Caring Community. Collectively we raised over \$700 through the generosity of our students and families. Torah Center students of all grades continued to bring tzedakah Sunday mornings for Foster Love Project. Our total quickly approached \$200! What a difference this will make for an organization local to us. Last, but not least, Michelle Dreyfuss, with the help of her madrichim Zoe Dvorin, Tyler Bowden, and Lauren Ginsburg, collected children's books for SHIM. They led our 3rd and 4th graders in wrapping and our 1st graders in decorating the packaging to help put a smile on many faces this holiday season.

Torah center students in grades KG, 1st, and 6th have prepared and participated already in successful Friday night services and we are looking forward to the rest of our students having the same opportunity as the remainder of the school year unfolds. Wishing you and yours a happy and healthy 2022!



### UPCOMING DATES

2/4 - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class Shabbat

3/4 - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade class Shabbat

3/11 - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class Shabbat

3/18 - 5<sup>th</sup> grade class Shabbat

4/1 - 7<sup>th</sup> grade class Shabbat

4/3 - 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Holocaust museum



### Israel Trip

Climb to the top of Masada - or take the cable car. Visit wineries in the Golan or go surfing in the Mediterranean. Walk the history of our people in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. Visit Pittsburgh's partnership region Karmiel / Misgav and spend a day in Hebron or Ramallah. Join Rabbi Aaron Meyer, Executive Director Leslie Hoffman, President Michelle Markowitz, and almost 40 members of Temple on Federation's Mega Mission to Israel, June 13-21, 2022.

The deadline to register is January 31st! Visit <https://jewishpgh.org/mega-mission/> to learn more.

# International Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration

**Wednesday, January 26, 6:30-8:00pm**

Click [here](#) to register

An interfaith commemoration of the Holocaust co-sponsored by Duquesne University's Gumberg Library, and the Holocaust Center of Pittsburgh will take place online on Wednesday, January 26, at 6:30. Students from the Duquesne Hillel Jewish Students Organization will take part with Dr. Lauren Apter Bairnsfather, Director of the Holocaust Center of Pittsburgh, and Rabbi Hazzan Jeffrey Myers of the Tree of Life, and Rev. Bill Christy, Duquesne University Chaplain and Director of Campus Ministry.

The featured speaker will be Temple Emanuel member Dr. David Rosenberg, who will present *The Making of 'Who is a Jew?': A Tale of Two Cities and the Challenges of Bringing a Troubling Holocaust History Home*. The exhibit debuted at Temple Emanuel in 2017.

Dr. Rosenberg is the recipient of the Medal of Honor from the City of Amiens for his outstanding work on the history of the city and region. The Mayor of Amiens, Brigitte Fouré, and President of Amiens Métropole, Alain Gest, will present the award virtually on February 8, 2022, with an in-person celebration to follow when it is safe to travel.

An exhibition of Dr. Rosenberg's work will be on display in Gumberg Library from January 10 through February 4. The exhibition and commemoration program is free and open to the public, but registration is required for the program.

For more information, visit the exhibition website at [duq.edu/IHRD](http://duq.edu/IHRD) or Dr. Rosenberg's website [Jews of the Somme](#).

### Reproductive Politics and American Jews

**Sunday, January 30 at 2:00pm**

Join members of Temple Emanuel in the Beit HaT'filah as we listen to a virtual talk by Dr. Rachel Kranson, Director of the Jewish Studies program at the University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Kranson will lead a discussion on the history of reproductive politics and on the political investments of American Jews, specifically how legal teams representing American Jewish organizations developed arguments that defended abortion access as a religious right. If you are unable to join us in person for this program presented by the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) but wish to hear her remarks, click [here](#) to join virtually.

### Grief and Loss Support Group

The pain of loss can feel overwhelming. Temple Emanuel's Grief and Loss Support Group can help you along this difficult journey. The group, led by Temple member Jamie Del, NCC, LPC, CCTP, is open to anyone experiencing grief and loss. The next meetings will take place via Zoom on Sundays January 23, February 13 and March 13 at 10:00 am. Please email Jamie at [JamiePDel@gmail.com](mailto:JamiePDel@gmail.com) if you would like to attend and/or have any questions.



**Rabbi Meyer and the members of the Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class are enjoying their studies together in preparation for their May 2022 service.**

# TEMPLE FAMILY MENSCHENINGS

## SHALOM!

A warm welcome goes to new members of our Temple family:

- **Judith & John Wojciak**
- **Jennifer & Michael Spicer, and their son, Asher Spicer**

## Our condolences on the following bereavements:

- **Edward Bolner**, father of Leslie (Bruce) Schorr (October 29)
- **Edward Hopkins**, father of Laura (Jeff) Young, grandfather of Addie & Evan (November 3)
- **Marilyn Shure**, Temple member and mother of Robert (Lori) Shure, grandmother of Abby, Jacob and Molly (November 11)
- **Jonathan Levy**, son of Debra & Phil Levy, brother of Jason and Andrew (December 7)
- **Phyllis Selma Schloss**, Temple member and mother of Laura (Brian) Davidson, grandmother of Benjamin, Maxwell & Sarah (December 9)
- **Lucille Huebscher**, grandmother of Rabbi Emily Meyer (Rabbi Aaron) great grandmother of Evelyn and Eli (December 23)
- **Joan Scheinholtz**, Temple Member (December 31)
- **George Goodman**, father of Rob (Lisa) Goodman, grandfather of Isabel & Suzanna Goodman and Shoshanah & Noah Karow (January 8)

## MAZEL TOV

- **Clementine Ruth Watterson** born on September 9, daughter of Avital Levin & Thomas Watterson, sister of Ben & Adeline Watterson
- **Brandon Rosenblatt**, born on October 23, son of Christine & Alex Rosenblatt and brother of Zachary
- **Zadie Glide Simon**, born on October 25, granddaughter of Ernest Simon.
- **Saul Altschul Korn**, born on November 4, grandson of Paula and Marty Altschul.
- **Yishai Ziv Wind**, born on November 28, grandson of Janet & Jack Mostow.
- **Ellie Caroline Levine**, born on November 29, daughter of Marie & Ryan Levine, granddaughter of Marc & Linda Levine, great-granddaughter of Harvey & Ethel Levine and sister of Landon & Lucas.
- **Jillian Elaine Metosky**, born on December 21, granddaughter of Sandee & Stewart Metosky.
- **Aaron James "AJ" Sparkman**, born on December 29, grandson of Robin & Steve Hausman.

## B'NEI MITZVAH

- **Hannah Markowitz**, daughter of Michelle & Pace Markowitz and granddaughter of Irene Luchinsky, will become a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, March 26.
- **Jack Lederman**, son of Michael & Kathy Lederman, will become a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, April 2.
- **Ida Epshteyn**, daughter of Helen Feinstein and Arkady Epshteyn, will become a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, April 9.

# Explorations

Keep your eyes open for the announcements of upcoming Explorations! From February to April, we will offer a variety of virtual "Explorations"—zoom interactive meetings offered on a wide range of topics (we are aiming for 15!). Learn, ask questions, and have discussions with other Temple members. Times and topics will vary but are one time 30–45-minute programs. Almost all are "brought to you" by temple members willing to share their expertise and time with you. We are excited...and we hope you will be too. If you have ideas for a topic or a presenter, contact Amy Pardo at [pardomom@yahoo.com](mailto:pardomom@yahoo.com) or the office at 412.279.7600.

Join us on Saturday, February 5th at 3PM for "A Gathering of Gilbert and Sullivan Enthusiasts" led by Myles Zuckerman. Click [here](#) to join the Zoom session.



## Building the Beloved Community: How Everyone Can Play Their Part

### Friday, February 18th

In recognition of the work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., positive racial identity development expert [Ali Michael, Ph.D.](#) returns to her hometown of Mt. Lebanon for a four-part series of educational engagements, focused on building and sustaining a healthy multiracial community.

Over the course of the long weekend, Dr. Michael will work with community Faith leaders, district teachers (K-12), and local early childhood educators. Dr. Michael will share stories from her childhood and her life as a parent, researcher, and anti-racism educator. We are fortunate that Dr. Michael will join us at Temple Emanuel of South Hills for a special conversation about the intersection of her Judaism and her professional work on Friday night, February 18th immediately following Shabbat services. This program will also be livestreamed on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#).

*“Our goal is to create a beloved community, and this will require a qualitative change in our souls as well as a quantitative change in our lives.”*

- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



## Jewish Music innovators Saul Kaye & Elana Jagoda

*With the generous support of the Diskin Music Fund, we are excited to bring Jewish Music innovators Saul Kaye & Elana Jagoda to Temple Emanuel!*

[Elana Jagoda](#) is a prayer leader (she joined Temple Emanuel for an amazing virtual Friday night service last year!), music educator, performer and composer who brings soul and innovation to Jewish music. She adds new dimensions to this genre by blending her energetic folk-rock vibe with her passion for world music. Elana infuses a unique spiritual quality into the music she brings to both performance and prayer.

International touring artist [Saul Kaye](#) is pioneering a new genre of music: Jewish Blues. Like his great-grandfather who blazed a trail from Russia to South Africa to trade cattle between warring African Tribes, Saul has brought together the sounds of the struggle of the African Slaves in this country with the history of the Jewish slavery experience. If you can imagine Muddy Waters meets Shlomo Carlebach, you've got an artist here who is bringing something new to modern Jewish Music and bridging the gap between the Delta and the Torah.

Click [HERE](#) to RSVP for the Saturday night event!

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**Friday, February 25th  
7PM – Friday Night Shabbat Service**

**Saturday, February 26th  
7PM – Havdalah & Concert**

**Sunday Morning, February 27th  
Special Programming for Torah Center & Young Families**

\*All in-person programming is subject to change as we navigate the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. Please check your weekly emails or Temple's website for the most current information.



## TORAH STUDY

### Weekly Torah Study with Rabbi Meyer

#### **Every Friday at 1:00pm**

Temple's Shabbat morning Torah Study frequently focuses on a single idea or verse, leaving much on the cutting room floor for further exploration. Curious what else the sages of our tradition were thinking? Join Rabbi Meyer on Zoom by clicking [here](#) for a 45 minute sneak peek!

#### **Every Saturday at 9:00am**

Join Rabbi Meyer on [Zoom](#) to discuss the weekly parashat. As we navigate the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, please check your weekly emails or Temple's website for information on when in-person Torah Study will resume.



## 1st Annual Temple Emanuel 5K

### **Save the date – Sunday, May 15th**

We are planning a 5K Run/Walk event to support SHIM at the Jefferson Middle School track. If you would like to help this event, please contact [Steph McFerron](#) or [Leslie Hoffman](#).



## TEAM SANDWICH

Team Sandwich needs your help! On the third Tuesday of each month we partner with local social service organizations to provide at least 500 sandwiches for their clients.

### **Upcoming Dates: February 15th and March 15th**

Please contact [Susan Hommel](#) if you can help.



## Purim / Passover

The Spring holidays of Purim and Passover are again accompanied by the continuing uncertainty of COVID-19. Together with our JCC and Beth El partners, we are actively exploring ways to celebrate these important holidays in responsible ways. Please watch your email for additional information as we draw nearer to each holiday!

## Congregational Code of Ethics

Temple Emanuel is pleased to announce that we have begun to develop a Congregational Code of Ethics. What is a Congregational Code of Ethics? A Congregational Code of Ethics starts with the values that help to define us as a congregation. These values embody who we are, how we will treat each other, and how we would expect to be treated ourselves by every member of our community. The Code of Ethics then documents what behaviors and expectations are associated with those values. In short, the code of ethics documents how each person should expect to be treated as a part of Temple Emanuel. Over the next several months members of the congregation will be working on clearly defining those values and behaviors. The team consists of a cross section of the congregation and includes:

Alicia Kozel, Aviva Diamond, Bryan Rosenberger, Erica Goodman, Erin Barr, Holly Rudoy, Ilene Iskoe, Leslie Hoffman, Rabbi Aaron Meyer, Michelle Markowitz, and Rob Edelson.

Look for additional communications on this important endeavor. If you have any questions please contact [Michelle Markowitz](#) (412-512-3513) or [Rob Edelson](#) (412-606-3825).

## Governance Committee Update

Temple's newly formed Governance Committee has begun the nomination process for the 2022-25 Board of Trustees. If you are interested in learning more about Board opportunities, please reach out to [Beth Schwartz](#) (412-877-5996) Governance Committee Chair.



# SCHOLARSHIPS!

The **Rabbi William Sajowitz Endowment Fund** Committee annually awards scholarships for Temple youth attending Jewish summer camps and participating in teen group travel programs to Israel. Please complete the [application form](#) and return it to Executive Director [Leslie Hoffman](#) by March 4.

Click [here](#) for information on **Federation's One Happy Camper** scholarship program for Jewish summer camps.

Click [here](#) for Federation's one-stop access to scholarship resources (including application deadlines) for teen trips to Israel.

Applications for need-based college scholarships for the 2022-2023 school year are available from the Jewish Scholarship Service (JSS) of the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh. This program is administered by Jewish Family and Community Services. The funds are made available through the generosity of families who have established endowments through the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh, Jewish Community Center, National Council of Jewish Women, Jewish Women International of Pittsburgh (formerly B'nai B'rith Women), The Pittsburgh Foundation, and Rodef Shalom Congregation.

**All scholarships are distributed on the basis of demonstrated financial need.** Depending on the scholarship fund, other factors such as academic achievement, field of study, school attending, and Jewish and general community involvement will also be considered. In addition, the applicant must be Jewish, reside in Allegheny, Westmoreland, Beaver, Butler or Washington County for at least two years, and need financial assistance to attend an accredited institution of higher education as either an undergraduate or graduate student.

The 2022-2023 JSS online application is available at [jfcspgh.org/scholarships](https://jfcspgh.org/scholarships). **All applications are due February 24, 2022.** First-time applicants must be interviewed. All applications should be submitted as early as possible to ensure processing. Please direct questions to [Alayne Lowenberger](#).

# CIRCLES OF GIVING

Thank you to those members who participate in our Circles of Giving. By contributing over and above the basic dues, they help to ensure that temple continues to thrive as the center of our Jewish community. If you are willing and able to participate, please contact Leslie Hoffman at (412) 279-7600.

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Stephen Dvorin	The Dvorin Family

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**ALICE TRAINING**

Sunday, February 6

12:30PM

In-person in the Beit HaT'filah or via [Zoom](#)

We invite our congregants (HS age and up) to join us for ALICE training presented by the Mt. Lebanon Police Department.

ALICE Training® helps schools, businesses, healthcare organizations and houses of worship better prepare their most valuable assets — their people — to prevent, mitigate, respond to, and recover from a violent critical incident. ALICE is a federally endorsed safety protocol and many of our children have already participated in this training in school. The letters ALICE stand for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate. Through this training, you will learn important situational awareness information to better help protect yourself and your loved ones, not just while you are at Temple, but also in any public setting, such as shopping malls, theaters, airports, etc.

Please RSVP to [templemanuel@templemanuelpgh.org](mailto:templemanuel@templemanuelpgh.org) by February 4th and let us know if you plan to attend in person or via Zoom.

# FOOD DRIVE

The pandemic has hit families in every corner of the South Hills; and Temple Emanuel's Social Action Committee reminds you to bring your donations to Temple year-round to help the more than 4000 families and individuals who rely on SHIM for food and supplies monthly.

Drop off your donations in the Courtyard Vestibule weekdays between 9AM-2PM or any other time when you come to Temple for Torah Center, worship services, meetings, etc.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- About 30% of food SHIM distributes each year comes from generous community donors like you.
- The other 70% is purchased by SHIM from the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank where our buying power is 500% greater than purchasing food at the grocery store. If you're able, consider making a financial donation at [shimcares.org](http://shimcares.org) or call 412-854-9120 x109 and have 5-times more impact!

TEMPLE EMANUEL'S YEAR-ROUND FOOD DRIVE FOR SHIM TO HELP OUR MOST VULNERABLE SOUTH HILLS NEIGHBORS FROM GOING HUNGRY.

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- Dried beans and lentils
- Rice
- Pasta sauce in jars
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- Soup (especially low sodium)
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- Beverages (juice, tea, coffee)
- Diapers sizes 3-6
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- Cleaning supplies are also accepted

## MOST NEEDED ITEMS FOR OUR REFUGEE AND IMMIGRANT NEIGHBORS

- Dried beans (kidney beans, chickpeas, black beans, etc.)
- Lentils
- Rice
- Flour
- Cooking Oil
- Sugar
- Spices and seasonings (salt, pepper, garlic, ginger, chili powder, turmeric, etc.)
- Diapers



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