

TEMPLE ISRAEL'S

HIGH HOLIDAYS

5787

Rosh Hashanah • Yom Kippur • Sukkot • Simchat Torah



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ROSH HASHANAH Service Information

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Friday, September 11

8:00 PM Evening Service

Rosh Hashanah

Saturday, September 12

9:00 AM Family Service

10:30 AM Congregational Service

Tashlich at the River

Following morning services

YOM KIPPUR

Kol Nidre

Sunday, September 20

8:00 PM Kol Nidre Service

Yom Kippur

Monday, September 21

9:00 AM Family Service

10:30 AM Congregational Service

2:00 PM Healing Service

3:00 PM Creative Lay-Led Afternoon Service

~ 4:30 PM Yizkor & Neilah

~ 6:15 PM Gerald A. Greene Memorial Break-the-Fast

SUKKOT

Pizza in the Hut & Sukkot Service

Friday, September 25

5:45 PM Dinner

6:30 PM Congregational Service

Sukkot Under the Stars with Dan Nichols

Wednesday, September 30

6:30 PM Music & Community Celebration

SIMCHAT TORAH SHARE SHABBAT

Friday, October 2

5:45 PM Service and Consecration

7:00 PM Potluck Dinner

WELCOME!

שלום

A Message From Rabbi Karen

We are taught that whenever we gather as a community, the Divine Presence dwells among us. *Hinei mah tov*—how good it is to be together! Each opportunity to pray, reflect, and celebrate as a community is a gift.

The High Holy Day season invites us to pause—to look honestly at the year that has passed, express gratitude for the blessings in our lives, and consider how we hope to grow in the year ahead. From the uplifting melodies of Rosh Hashanah to the heartfelt prayers of Yom Kippur, your bimah team—Rabbi Tina Sobo, Courtney Cummings, and I—has thoughtfully crafted services that we hope will be meaningful and accessible to all. May our time together in prayer, song, and reflection bring us comfort, inspiration, and renewed hope. May our memorial prayers help us honor those we have lost and find healing in the embrace of our community.

I look forward to greeting you personally and welcoming the New Year together—with the sweetness of honey cake, apples dipped in honey, and the joy of reconnecting with one another. May 5787 be a year of sweetness, meaning, peace, and connection for you and those you love.

Shanah tovah u'metukah!

A good and sweet new year!



Watch Online

Services will be livestreamed on YouTube @TempleIsraelDaytonOhio. A live video feed will also be available in the sanctuary for those who prefer a smaller setting.

TODAH RABAH

A special thank you to...

תודה רבה

Members who beautify our holidays

David and Lynn Goldenberg and Robert and Debby Goldenberg contribute the beautiful flowers for the bimah.

Members who support High Holiday music

Martin and Lynn Pollman and Ralph and Sylvia Heyman generously support the music of the High Holidays.

Musicians who enrich our worship

The High Holiday Choir and musicians help carry us through the season with both traditional and contemporary music, adding depth, beauty, and meaning to our services. The ensemble, led by Courtney Cummings, includes Christin Coffee Rondeau, Soprano; DeAnna Ullery, Alto; Bradley McCarroll, Tenor; Brad Mattingly, Baritone; Dr. Molly Jones Castrucci, Cello; and Frederick E. Chatfield, Piano and Organ.

Members who participate in services

Many members participate in High Holiday services, bringing familiar faces to the bimah and helping create worship that reflects our congregation. We will recognize those accepting honors and those serving as ushers in the October Temple Tablet.



ROSH HASHANAH

Welcoming a new year

ראש השנה

EREV ROSH HASHANAH

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 • 8:00 PM

Welcome 5787 with New Year's greetings, prayer, music, and reflection. Guided by *Mishkan HaNefesh*, our High Holiday prayer book, we begin the sacred work of *teshuvah*—returning to our best selves and embracing the possibility of change. Following the service, we will share apples, honey, and honey cake as we wish one another a sweet new year. Rabbi Tina Sobo will deliver the sermon.

FAMILY SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 • 9:00 AM

Designed especially for families with tots through second graders, this informal and engaging service includes interactive prayer, shofar, movement, and an abbreviated Torah reading. Creative service booklets help our youngest participants experience the joy and meaning of Rosh Hashanah.

CONGREGATIONAL SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 • 10:30 AM

Familiar melodies such as *Mah Tov* and *Nisim B'chol Yom* welcome us into a morning of prayer and song. Through *Avinu Malkeinu*, *Unetaneh Tokef*, Torah, and the sounding of the shofar, we consider the changes the new year asks of us. Three shofar services culminate in the powerful *Tekiah Gedolah*, calling us to attention and action. Rabbi Bodney-Halasz will deliver the sermon.

TASHLICH AT THE RIVER

FOLLOWING MORNING SERVICES

Following morning worship, gather on the Dor L'Dor Patio for a brief service before we make our way to the river for *Tashlich*. Through this symbolic ritual, we consider what we hope to release as we begin the new year.

YOM KIPPUR

Prayer • Reflection • Return

KOL NIDRE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 • 8:00 PM

Yom Kippur begins with fasting prayers, a solemn Torah procession to the bimah, and the haunting melody of *Kol Nidre*. The communal confession of *Vidui* and the soaring sounds of *Sh'ma Koleinu* draw us inward, as we confront our shortcomings and begin the sacred work of repentance and return. Rabbi Karen Bodney-Halasz will deliver the sermon.

FAMILY SERVICE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 • 9:00 AM

Designed especially for our youngest participants and their families, this interactive service uses abbreviated liturgy, Torah, movement, and reflection to explore the themes of Yom Kippur in an accessible and meaningful way.

CONGREGATIONAL SERVICE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 • 10:30 AM

Familiar prayers including *Unetaneh Tokef*, *Avinu Malkeinu*, and *Sh'ma Koleinu* guide us through themes of accountability, forgiveness, and mercy. During *Vidui*, we reflect on both individual and communal shortcomings as we seek a path toward repair and change. Rabbi Tina Sobo will deliver the sermon.

HEALING SERVICE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 • 2:00 PM

During the quiet of Yom Kippur afternoon, join us for a reflective service centered on healing and prayer. Whether you are carrying illness, grief, uncertainty, concern for someone you love, or simply seeking a moment of stillness, you are welcome.

CREATIVE LAY-LED AFTERNOON SERVICE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 • 3:00 PM

Continue the afternoon with Torah, reflection, and creative worship exploring the themes of Yom Kippur and the ongoing work of teshuvah. The service leads us toward the final hours of the day and our communal observance of Yizkor and Neilah.

Remembrance • Renewal

EILEH EZK'RAH, YIZKOR & NEILAH

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 • APPROXIMATELY 4:30 PM

As afternoon turns toward evening, *Eileh Ezk'rah* calls us to remember generations of Jewish suffering, sacrifice and moral courage. *Yizkor* follows, offering sacred time to remember loved ones and those who helped shape our Temple community.

During *Neilah*, the closing service of Yom Kippur, we approach the final moments of the day with prayer and hope. Havdalah and a final blast of the shofar bring our observance to a close.

GERALD A. GREENE MEMORIAL BREAK-THE-FAST

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 • APPROXIMATELY 6:15 PM

Following the final blast of the shofar, join us as we break the fast and welcome the new year together as a community.

WE REMEMBER

יזכור

May their memories be for a blessing

*We remember those whose lives touched our Temple community
and whose memories continue to bless us.*

Gail Aberman
Beth Adelman
Steven Altchuler
Sylvia Chaiten
Riley Kennedy Clouser
Daniel Cohn
Judy Douglas
Felix Garfunkel
Alfred Gerbs
Beth Ann Harlan
Marla Harlan
Laura Holzinger

Sandy Ingberg
Joyce Kardon
Morton Levine
James A Miller
Marilyn Moscovitz (Myrnie)
Robert Benjamin Perlman
Samuel Rosenthal (Si)
Julie Ruchman
Marilyn Weiss
Peter Wells
Rachel Winder
Teresa Wood

SUKKOT

Joy of the Harvest

סוכות

PIZZA IN THE HUT & SUKKOT SERVICE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

5:45 PM • DINNER

6:30 PM • CONGREGATIONAL SERVICE

Celebrate Sukkot with dinner, worship, and community in and around Temple's sukkah. Enjoy pizza with friends and family before services, then experience the traditions of the holiday as we shake the lulav and etrog and celebrate *z'man simchateinu*—the season of our joy.

SUKKOT UNDER THE STARS: SONGS, STORIES & S'MORES WITH DAN NICHOLS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 • 6:30 PM

Join Jewish musician and educator Dan Nichols for an interactive, community-wide Sukkot celebration. Enjoy music and storytelling under the stars, hot drinks and s'mores around the fire, and a nosh in the sukkah. Spend time with friends, shake the lulav and etrog, and share in the joy of the season.

Program sponsored by the Esther and DeNeal Feldman Jewish Experience Fund.

SIMCHAT TORAH

Rejoicing in the Gift of Torah

SIMCHAT TORAH SHARE SHABBAT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

5:45 PM • SERVICE & CONSECRATION

7:00 PM • POTLUCK DINNER

Celebrate the gift of Torah and welcome our newest Religious School students during Consecration as we gather for Shabbat and Simchat Torah.

One of the evening's most joyful moments comes when we unroll the Torah scroll around our community, allowing us to look back at the stories we have read throughout the year. We then return to the beginning—rolling the scroll back to Genesis and beginning the annual cycle of Torah reading anew.

Following worship, stay for a community potluck dinner. Temple will provide chicken, challah, and kiddush wine.

שמחת תורה

WORSHIP

Gather • Pray • Sing

תפילה

Shabbat at Temple Israel takes many forms—from Friday evening worship to musical Share Shabbat dinners to Saturday morning services and special community traditions. Whether you come every week or only occasionally, there is a place for you to gather, pray, sing, learn, and connect.

FRIDAY EVENING SHABBAT

MOST FRIDAYS • 6:30 PM • SANCTUARY

Welcome Shabbat worship with prayer, music, Torah, and community.

Current worship schedule, meal registration, and program details: tidayton.org/calendar

SHARE SHABBAT

USUALLY THE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH • 6:00 PM • SANCTUARY

Our monthly Share Shabbat brings together an accessible, music-filled service and a community dinner, often centered on a special theme. Registration and meal details vary by month.

SATURDAY MORNING

USUALLY THE 2ND OR 3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH • 10:30 AM • CHAPEL

On selected weekends, our communal Shabbat worship moves from Friday evening to Saturday morning worship, often followed by Kiddush lunch or another community program.

FALL

OCT 17 • 10:30 AM

Shabbat Picnic & Blessing of the Animals in Cedar Lake Shelter at Carriage Hill Metro Park

NOV 6 • 6:00 PM

Veteran Appreciation Share Shabbat & Dinner

NOV 14 • 10:30 AM

Shabbat & Matzo Ball Soup Cook-Off

DEC. 4 • 6:00 PM

Chanukkah Connections Share Shabbat

WINTER

JAN 8 • 6:00 PM

Debbie Friedman Share Shabbat & Dinner

JAN 16 • 10:30 AM

Omega Pulpit Exchange & Oneg

JAN 22 • 6:30 PM

Shabbat Shira, featuring the Dayton Jewish Chorale

SPRING

MAR 5 • 6:00 PM

Chili Cook-Off Share Shabbat & Dinner

APR 9 • 6:00 PM

Share Shabbat Honoring Teachers & Graduates

APR 22 • 6:00 PM

Congregational Second Seder

JUNE 4 • 6:00 PM

Pride Share Shabbat & Dinner

LEARNING AT TEMPLE

Study

Jewish learning at Temple Israel happens throughout the week and throughout the year. Explore Jewish texts in our regular study groups, learn with visiting teachers, or join a program that sparks your curiosity. Whether you have studied for years or are opening a Jewish text for the first time, you are welcome to join the conversation.

WEDNESDAY TORAH STUDY • 10:00 AM

Join us in person or online as we explore *I Believe: Essays on Jewish Faith* by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, alongside thoughtful discussion of the weekly Haftarah. Together, we consider questions of faith, modern Jewish thought, and contemporary spirituality while discovering meaningful pathways into Jewish tradition.

SATURDAY TORAH STUDY • 9:00 AM

Start Shabbat morning with Torah, conversation, and community.

Saturday study meets weekly, with virtual, hybrid, and occasional lay-led sessions throughout the year.

Adult Education Committee
Second Mondays • 3:00 PM

PROJECT ZUG COURSES

Join us for two four-session courses featuring guided learning and meaningful conversation.

WINDOWS ON TESHUVAH

THURSDAYS, FEB. 11 — MAR. 4

What does it take for a person to truly change? Through classical sources and modern Jewish thought, this course developed by Rabbi Shai Held explores teshuvah and the possibilities of return, forgiveness, and transformation.

OUT OF THE RUINS: JEWISH WISDOM ON RESILIENCE

THURSDAYS, MAR. 25 — APR. 15

Drawing on Torah narratives and Jewish history, this course developed by Rabbi Avi Strausberg explores the many forms resilience can take and how Jewish wisdom can help move forward after loss and adversity.

BEING HUMAN: A FOUR-PART SERIES WITH RABBI DAVID SOFIAN

WEDNESDAYS IN OCTOBER •
3:00 PM — 5:00 PM

The past few years have been particularly difficult—both as Jews and simply as humans. These experiences raise a fundamental question: **What does Judaism teach us about being human—and therefore, about being a Jew?**

Drawing on traditional Jewish sources, Rabbi David Sofian will guide participants through four conversations exploring some of the most difficult moral and human questions of our time. Topics include Anger and Compassion, Dehumanization, Being a Mensch, and Agency and Empowerment.

JEWISH LIFE

Learning & Leadership

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Jewish life is something we create together. You don't have to be an expert or stand on the bimah every week to take part. Whether you accept a service honor, celebrate a milestone, share a reading, learn a new skill, or take on a new challenge, there are many ways to participate more fully in Temple life.

TAKE PART IN WORSHIP

Temple members help bring our worship to life throughout the year through Torah blessings, readings, opening the ark, candle lighting, Kiddush, music, and other honors. Some roles require preparation; others are easy ways to begin. Let our clergy or the Temple office know if there is something you would like to learn or try.

CELEBRATE WITH YOUR TEMPLE FAMILY

Birthdays and anniversaries give us another reason to celebrate together. Throughout the year, congregants may be invited to receive a blessing during Shabbat worship and share a special moment with the community.

Volunteers help coordinate invitations for blessings or honors. If you receive a call or message, please respond, even if you are unable to attend.

A quick reply helps us plan worship and make sure everyone has an opportunity to be included.

KEEP GROWING

Jewish milestones do not have an expiration date. Temple periodically offers Adult B'nei Mitzvah and other opportunities for adults who want to deepen their Jewish knowledge, strengthen Hebrew or worship skills, and participate more fully in communal life.

Interested in a future class or another way to deepen your participation? Speak with one of our rabbis or contact the Temple office.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Temple life extends beyond our regular worship and learning schedule. Throughout the year, special gatherings offer opportunities to celebrate, serve, learn something new, and spend time together. Here are a few coming up soon as we begin 5787.

THANK YOU, FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS!

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION AND JCF APPRECIATION BRUNCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 • 11:00 AM

Temple Israel's Jewish Cultural Festival is made possible by the many people who give their time, energy, creativity, and care throughout the year. Join us for a special gathering to celebrate and thank everyone who helped make this year's Festival possible—from planning and cooking to greeting guests, setting up, cleaning up, sponsoring, and helping behind the scenes.

POSTCARD PARTY FOR DEMOCRACY • SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7 • NOON—1:30 PM

TEMPLE ISRAEL • PIZZA PROVIDED

Take part in a nonpartisan voter-engagement postcard party as part of the Reform Movement's *Every Voice, Every Vote* campaign. Volunteers will write to Georgia voters in communities that have historically experienced barriers to voting.

Postcards, stamps, and markers will be provided. The campaign is nonpartisan and does not support or oppose candidates or political parties.

INTRODUCTION TO KRAV MAGA • ADULT EDUCATION • JUDAISM IN ACTION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11 • NOON—1:30 PM

TEMPLE ISRAEL • \$20 PER PERSON

Join instructor Ehud Borovoy for an introductory Krav Maga session at Temple Israel. Participants will learn basic principles and techniques in an accessible introduction to this practical self-defense system.

Open to adults and teens ages 14+. Wear comfortable clothing. Registration required.

RYTERBAND

שיחה

The Dorothee and Louis Ryterband Lecture Series brings engaging speakers to Temple Israel for thoughtful conversation about Judaism, Jewish life, history, culture, and the world around us. Admission includes the lecture, Q&A, and brunch. Note: Beth Abraham lectures are not included with series purchase.

**SUNDAYS • 9:45 AM • \$10/SESSION
OR \$85 FOR FULL SERIES PASS**

TICKETS + DETAILS

[www.givebutter.com/
ryterband](http://www.givebutter.com/ryterband)

OCTOBER 11

Rabbi David Sofian

Dispatches from David: An Insider's
Look at Life in Israel

OCTOBER 18

Brian Kerstine

At Beth Abraham

Community Programming and
Involvement

OCTOBER 25

Rabbi Richard Sarason

A Taste of Talmud: Do Not Bad-
Mouth Your Fellow!

NOVEMBER 1

Fred Krome

The 1919 Ethnic Map of New York
City: Antisemitism and Plans to
Suppress a Judeo-Bolshevik
Uprising during the First Red Scare

NOVEMBER 8

Col. Dr. Kathy Platoni

At Beth Abraham

The Plight of Veterans

NOVEMBER 15

Liz Hirsh Naftali

Saving Abigail: The True Story of the
Abduction and Rescue of a Three-
Year-Old Hostage

NOVEMBER 22

**Rabbi Jeffrey and Mindy
Glickman**

The Values of Jewish Games

JANUARY 10

Dr. Paul Levy

Heritable Diseases Among the
Ashkenazi Population

JANUARY 24

Mike Caplin

Kibbutz Lotan Virtual Tour

JANUARY 31

Dr. Mark Oxman

Diagnosis, Causes, Classification,
and Prevention of Chronic Kidney
Disease

FEBRUARY 7

Rabbi Haim Rechnitzer

After October 7: Trauma, Israel, and
Jewish Identity

FEBRUARY 21

Esther Brownsmith

Holy Killjoys: The Women of the
Hebrew Bible and the Art of Sacred
Dissent

FEBRUARY 28

Dana Herman

Treasures of the American Jewish
Archives

MARCH 7

Rabbi Reuven Firestone

The Golden Age for Jewry in Spain:
How Golden was it?

APRIL 4

Rabbi Tina Sobo

What Holds Us Together?

APRIL 11

Rabbi Karen Bodney-Halasz

From My Side of the Bima

APRIL 18

Marshall Weiss

Jews and Dayton's Booze Trade

COMMUNITY IN ACTION

עשייה

• LIBRARY • GARDEN • EVENTS • HOSPITALITY • SOCIAL ACTION • HOLIDAY SETUP •

Temple Israel thrives because people choose to show up. Some volunteer every week; others lend a hand for one event, one project, or a few hours each year. Whatever time, skills, or interests you have to share, there is a way to make a difference—and volunteering is one of the easiest ways to get to know the people who make Temple feel like home.

LEND A HAND AT TEMPLE

ONE EVENT OR ONE AFTERNOON CAN HELP

Welcome guests, set up a room, prepare or serve food, help with a holiday celebration, lend a hand at Share Shabbat, or volunteer during the Jewish Cultural Festival. Many of Temple's biggest moments happen because congregants step in for a shift, a project, or wherever help is needed.

SUPPORT JEWISH LEARNING

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL & YOUTH

Religious School depends on more than classroom teachers. Congregants help with special programs, holiday activities, Kibbitz Café, welcoming, supervision, and other roles throughout the year. These short volunteer shifts help create a safe, warm, and engaging Sunday experience for our students.

HELP PLAN, LEAD & BUILD

Committees and program teams help shape worship, learning, celebrations, outreach, facilities, social action, and the future of Temple Israel. If there is an area of Temple life you care about, or something you think we should be doing, consider joining a committee or helping with a particular project.

SHARE WHAT YOU LOVE

ONGOING & BEHIND-THE- SCENES OPPORTUNITIES

Prefer something quieter or more hands-on? Help care for the courtyard garden, organize and maintain Temple's library, assist with programs, share a skill, or help with the many small projects that keep our building and community welcoming.

PUT VALUES INTO ACTION

SOCIAL JUSTICE & SOCIAL ACTION

Temple members put Jewish values into action through advocacy, service, voter engagement, and partnerships in the wider community. New voices and new ideas are welcome—join a Social Justice Committee meeting or ask how you can take part in a current social-action project.

Social Justice Committee
Third Thursdays • 4:00 PM

CARING CONNECTIONS

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WHEN YOU NEED SUPPORT

PASTORAL & CLERGY SUPPORT

Our rabbis are available for pastoral conversation, lifecycle support, spiritual care, and help navigating difficult moments. Contact the Temple office if you would like to speak with a member of our clergy team.

HOW TO REACH OUT

Contact the Temple office for assistance at 937-496-0050

MITZVAH MEALS & PRACTICAL HELP

Recovering from illness? Mourning a loss? Going through a transition that has made everyday tasks more difficult?

Please let us know. Temple's Caring Connections volunteers may be able to provide a Mitzvah Meal, check-in call, card, visit, delivery, ride, or other practical support.

SUPPORT GROUPS

LIVING WITH LOSS

A supportive space for those navigating grief following a recent or past loss. Gather with others who understand that grief does not follow a fixed timeline.

LIVING WITH AMBIGUOUS LOSS

Some losses remain unresolved or difficult to define—for example, when someone we love is living with dementia or when a relationship or circumstance has changed profoundly. This group offers space for conversation and support while living with uncertainty.

WHEN YOU WANT TO HELP

Never underestimate the power in small acts of kindness. Volunteer once, occasionally, or make an ongoing connection.

- Prepare or deliver mitzvah meals
- Make check-in phone calls
- Send cards & notes
- Visit or make deliveries
- Provide rides or run errands
- Assemble care packages

MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS TRAINING: QPR – QUESTION, PERSUADE, REFER

SUNDAY, FEB. 7

Learn to recognize the warning signs of self harm and how talk with and get someone to appropriate help.

FIND YOUR PEOPLE

Kehilah

Some of the best connections at Temple happen outside the sanctuary and classroom. Come for a drink, make something with your hands, share a snack before services, or join one of the informal gatherings that pop up throughout the year. You don't need to know everyone—or anyone—to join in.

SO, A RABBI WALKS INTO A BAR

EVERY OTHER MONTH • GREATER DAYTON

Pull up a chair for drinks and informal conversation with one of Temple's rabbis. Bring your questions, curiosity, or whatever has been on your mind and enjoy an evening of conversation about Jewish life, contemporary issues, and everything in between.

SACRED STITCHING

EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY • TEMPLE ISRAEL LIBRARY

Bring a project, learn something new, or simply enjoy the company. Sacred Stitching gathers crafters to work together on handmade projects for the community while sharing conversation, skills, and plenty of good company. Experienced stitchers and newer crafters are welcome.

GARDENING GROUP

SEASONAL • EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY • COURTYARD

Spend time outdoors helping care for Temple's courtyard gardens and local plant collection. Gardeners gather during the growing season for planting, tending, cleanup, and conversation. No special gardening experience is needed.

Judaism In Action: Hands-on Jewish Learning

CHANUKKAH IN 3D

NOV. 15 & 22 • NOON

Learn the basics of 3D printing and design a Chanukkah-themed project to print and share.

SONGS OF CHANUKKAH

SUNDAY, DEC. 6 • NOON

Learn Hebrew words to traditional Chanukkah songs and enjoy singing familiar holiday melodies together.

ISRAELI DANCE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13 • NOON

Experience the energy and joy of Israeli dance in an interactive workshop for all experience levels.

קהילה

FAMILIES & YOUTH

Growing Together

משפחה

Jewish learning at Temple Israel grows through relationships, worship, celebration, questions, and plenty of fun. From our youngest learners through teens, children and families have opportunities to build Jewish knowledge, friendships, traditions, and a sense of belonging throughout the year.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

PRESCHOOL THROUGH 8TH GRADE • SUNDAYS

Temple Israel Religious School brings students together to explore Jewish life, values, tradition, Hebrew, prayer, and community. Sundays include age-appropriate classroom learning, t'filah, Hebrew, special programs, and time to build friendships with other Jewish children.

Our program includes Preschool/Pre-K, Kindergarten—2nd Grade, 3rd—5th Grade, and 6th—8th Grade learning communities, with Hebrew instruction becoming a fuller part of the program as students grow.

TORAH TOTS

Torah Tots offers a pint-sized Jewish experience for infants and toddlers with their caregivers. Gather for age-appropriate Jewish activities, songs, stories, and community while older children are in Religious School.

The logo for Torah Tots features the words "Torah" and "Tots" in a bold, orange, sans-serif font. Between the two words is a small, colorful starburst graphic with multiple colors (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple) radiating from a central point.The logo for Prayer AND Play features the words "Prayer" and "Play" in a bold, orange, sans-serif font. Between the two words is a small, blue Star of David with the word "AND" in a smaller, orange, sans-serif font.

PRAYER & PLAY

Prayer & Play gives young children and their families a relaxed way to experience Shabbat together. Gather for an age-appropriate Jewish worship experience, a themed activity, and time to play and connect with other families.

TEENS: LEARN, LEAD & GIVE BACK

Ninth- and tenth-grade students continue their Jewish learning through Confirmation, exploring Jewish ideas, identity, and community together. The two-year study program culminates in a Confirmation service connected with Shavuot.

LIFE & LEGACY

Assuring Jewish Tomorrows

**Can you
hear the
future
calling?**



**This New Year, answer the call by making
a legacy gift, ensuring a strong Jewish
community for future generations.**



Jewish Foundation
OF GREATER DAYTON

Life &
Legacy

**ASSURE JEWISH
TOMORROWS**

Be remembered forever with a gift to Temple Israel in your will, trust, retirement account, or life insurance policy.

Find us online: www.tidayton.org

Contact John Hunter, Executive Director, jhunter@tidayton.org; 937.496.0050

TODAH

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לדור ודור

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Save the Date

Sunday, May 23, 2027

**Join us for a joyful day of food,
music, art, culture, and community.**

Interested in volunteering, sponsoring, or participating?

Contact info@tidayton.org or 937-496-0050.