

Tree of Life Congregation



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Dear Tree of Life Congregation Supporter,

We are a vibrant Jewish community of assembly, study, and prayer. Your contributions make it possible to have Rabbi Joe Hample serve as our full-time spiritual leader and our Sunday School principal. Your generosity also funds our day-to-day building maintenance and repairs, utilities, and insurance.

We provide many services to our community: High Holiday services, Chanukkah celebration, Passover seder, Religious School and B'nei Mitzvah training, and celebrations for minor holidays. Oneg Shabbats follow each Friday night service and once a month we enhance our Friday night Shabbat services with guest musicians. Several upgrades to the building have been carried out in the past several years and we plan to continue with those improvements.

Our future depends on increasing our membership and level of support. We hope you will consider becoming a member. The Board has adopted a dues structure with suggested minimum dues for each member category while encouraging higher contribution levels at all member categories from those who can afford to do so. Full, New and Student members have voting rights at meetings and are eligible to serve on committees. Full membership includes Religious School tuition but not B'nei Mitzvah training.

Note that any prospective member with financial hardship can contact our Treasurer (treasurer@etzheim.org) to discuss a dues amount. Our goal is to not exclude anyone from membership because of financial constraints. If you have any questions about the dues structure or about the fee for B'nei Mitzvah training, please contact our Treasurer. Please donate as generously as your financial situation allows.

In addition to fiscal donations that keep the lights on, and salaries paid, we rely on our members and community to donate their time as well. If you can join any of our committees, we would be most grateful for your help.

Pledges should be returned as soon as possible, to allow us to budget for the next fiscal year. And please remember – in addition to your financial support, your presence (at services and events) and your time, are important to keep us moving forward!

Shalom,



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