



**“We appreciate how much effort the clergy and staff at Anshe Emet put in this past year to keep our community connected. The breadth of online programming really helped us keep in touch with friends and stay involved.”**

Marlene and Barry Balik, Community Members

## Want to meet more people at Anshe Emet?

Anshe Emet Synagogue is **BIG!** This means that there is something for everyone. **BUT...** it can be intimidating to get to know new people or jump in. Don't worry - we are here for you and ready to help. Reach out to Amy Karp (our Director of Engagement) at [akarp@ansheemet.org](mailto:akarp@ansheemet.org). She will get to know more about you and introduce you to some friendly veteran members. You'll be spotting familiar faces at kiddush and events before you know it.



## Make sure you are on our list.

Do you get our weekly email newsletters? There are lots of ways to find out about what's happening at Anshe Emet. Our weekly email communications give you the most up-to-date information: sign up at our website [ansheemet.org](http://ansheemet.org). Our bi-monthly bulletin gives a more in-depth look at what is going on within our community. Please follow us on Facebook for updates, reminders and fun posts. And for everything Anshe Emet, our website has worship times, Livestreams, Zoom links and more!

## We love to hear from you.

If you have questions, comments, or you'd like to learn more about Anshe Emet, please reach out. Email us at [info@ansheemet.org](mailto:info@ansheemet.org) or give us a call at (773) 281-1423. We always want to connect and hear your input.



**ANSHE  
EMET =  
Our  
Community**



**“It's a given that our family supports our Jewish community at Anshe Emet. The staff and clergy are there for us in so many aspects of our lives.”**

The Wendt Family,  
Community Members



**ENGAGE • DISCOVER • CONNECT**

## We are Anshe Emet.

What makes Anshe Emet so special? It's not just our history and our standing as one of the oldest Conservative congregations in Chicago, founded in 1873, and thriving for nearly 150 years. It's not just our spacious synagogue in the Lakeview neighborhood with room for our huge offering of social and educational programming.

The most special aspect of Anshe Emet is the outstanding, caring and dedicated group of people who make up **our community**. This community includes people of different generations, ethnicities, abilities and hometowns. We come together as friends and families to support each other in all of life's challenges and adventures.

At the core of our community is the thoughtful and dedicated clergy and staff of Anshe Emet who put their hearts into making every experience you have, as part of Anshe Emet, feel full of Jewish spirit, in times of both sadness and joy.

## We are here for you.

## Be part of Anshe Emet.

Being a community member at Anshe Emet is a concrete way to demonstrate your support for our community, your desire for its strength to be sustained, and for it to grow. Benefits of a membership commitment include:

**Access to the clergy for all religious and spiritual needs.**

**Multiple services with a variety of worship styles from which to choose.**

**Access to wide range of free synagogue events, courses and programs.**

**Discounts on dinners, holiday events and paid courses.**

**Eligibility to enroll school-age children in The Joseph and Belle Braun Religious School.**

**Discounted rates for rental of the building facilities for private events and simchas.**

**Tickets to High Holy Days Services.**

**Reciprocity with participating synagogues in the US.**

Full membership is encouraged, but please note that *finances will never be a barrier to participation within our community.*



**“Sitting down to a Shabbat kiddush lunch with a tuna salad bagel and friends at Anshe Emet is one of the highlights of my week. It's an escape from work and stress. It feels like home.”**

Trent Spoolstra, Community Member and part of the Young Adult Division (YAD)

## Be here for Anshe Emet.

Community membership commitments only fulfill a portion of the funds needed to keep our community thriving. Anshe Emet relies on the generous support above and beyond yearly dues. There are many ways to support Anshe Emet, including:

**Sustaining Fund:** This is our congregation's annual significant fundraising campaign which provides support to the creation and continuance of our exceptional programming and meaningful worship. It also allows us to offer membership to all, regardless of ability to pay.

**Kiddush Fund:** What's Shabbat without a great Kiddush?

**Clergy discretionary funds:** These funds, often made in honor of an event or individual, allow clergy to pursue special projects.

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Contact us at [info@ansheemet.org](mailto:info@ansheemet.org) for further information on other funds and to find a giving opportunity that is right for you.



**“Anshe Emet has done so much to give my kids a positive Jewish experience and a community they love.”**

Meredith Grossman Dubner,  
Community Member