

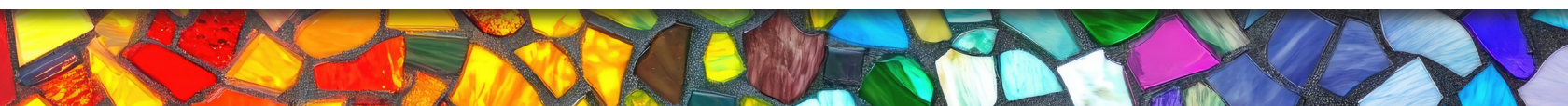
AES BULLETIN

July • August • 2026



Sacred Community, Built Together

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DAVID EBSTEIN

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A Message from Rabbi Ebstein

Shalom!

I am very excited and filled with gratitude to God that I will have the honor and pleasure of serving as your interim rabbi for the next 12 months. I was born and raised in Hyde Park and then the South Side, eventually moving to Highland Park where my parents lived for 45 years. Though I essentially left Chicago at 18 when I went off to Washington University, Chicago has always been a big part of my life. Even now, after living in Israel for more than 30 years, I still spend 6-8 weeks in the Chicago area every year to be with family and friends, especially my beloved father. I am thrilled to have an opportunity to be in Chicago for an entire year. My wife, Rena Magun, and I have been blessed with 4 wonderful children, their spouses and 4 young grandsons. We hope that all of them will take us up on our offer to bring everyone to Chicago at least once during the upcoming year. While there is no question that Israel is my homeland, the prospect of spending a year here with you makes me feel like I am coming home... thank you so much for making us feel welcome.

Over the past 10 years, I have become fascinated with the process of how we describe ourselves to others, what is foremost in our minds as we share our personal narrative, and whether or not we describe hardships as roadblocks, or as challenges we have overcome. As a people, we have been able for centuries to tell our story about escaping Egypt and travelling towards the Promised Land. We have mastered the ability to describe the tragedies that have befallen our people through the lens of survival and adaptability, using language steeped in the wellsprings of resilience.

HELP US WELCOME RABBI EBSTEIN

July 10 - Special Friday Night Oneg Shabbat to meet Rabbi and his wife Rena Magun

August 1 - Rabbi Ebstein will deliver the sermon in the Siegel Sanctuary

August 3 - Rabbi Ebstein begins his class: "Coffee and Current Events" every Monday at 1PM, hybrid

More details to come!

Recently, something has changed. It seems that in the first quarter of the 21st century, the Jewish people has lost our superpower of storytelling. Professor Scott Galloway, of NYU in an episode ([scan QR code below to view](#)) of the Unpacked Podcast says: "the arc of evolution bends towards good storytellers. Communities with larger proportions of skilled storytellers experience greater levels of cooperation and procreation. Their evolutionary fitness is buttressed as storytelling translates to more efficient transmission of survival relevant information." The key to the survival of the Jewish people is NOT to learn how to do PR, but to create signposts and touchstones of meaning that allow us to fix ourselves, our communities and hopefully the world. Prof Galloway and Podcast host Noam Weissman believe that the success of storytelling is enduring rejection and contradiction, while finding a way to narrate the story of our existence weaving basic facts into stories that inspire.

During the coming year, I invite you to join me as we reclaim our storytelling skills both on a personal and national level. I will do my best to tell stories about the Jewish people in a compelling, emotional and interesting way that inspires both me and you. And I invite you to make time to share both your personal stories and your Anshe Emet stories with me so that together we can begin creating a more resilient tapestry.





SAM SCHWARTZ-FENWICK

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A Message From Our AES Board President

Friends,

As I write to you this month, I am filled with a profound sense of both gratitude and excitement. Anshe Emet stands at a remarkable crossroads — a period of meaningful change that will shape our beloved community for generations to come. We are transforming not only our physical space but also entering a new chapter of spiritual leadership.

I want to express our deepest appreciation to Rabbi Siegel, whose dedication, wisdom, and compassionate leadership have left an indelible mark on Anshe Emet. While transitions are never easy, we move forward carrying the strong foundation that Rabbi Siegel helped build, and we are forever grateful.

It is with tremendous joy that I welcome Rabbi Ebstein and his wife, Rena, to our Anshe Emet family. Rabbi Ebstein brings extraordinary passion, scholarship, and warmth to our community, and Rena's presence adds even more *ruach* and energy to our congregational life. We are truly blessed to have them join us, and I know you will feel their genuine care and enthusiasm from the very first moment you meet them.

I want to personally encourage every member of our community to connect with Rabbi Ebstein over the summer. Rabbi Ebstein is eager to get to know you — your stories, your hopes for our community, and what Anshe Emet means to you.

As we mark this rabbinic transition, I would like to deeply thank each and every member of our Search Committee for their tireless efforts over two and a half years. They each gave countless hours of their time to ensure a strong succession for our community. Please join me in thanking my amazing co-chair Dani Lazar, and the equally fantastic members of the committee: Ruthie Charendoff, Antonieta Diaz, Kara Goldman, Jodi Gruber, Jonathan Hirschtritt, David Katz, Josh Malkin, Meredith Mann, David Medow, Alexandra Monks, Laura Neiman Rifkin, Carole Schechter, Elaine Seeskin, Jonah Shifrin, Steve Silk, Abe Trieger and Mimi Wallk. Please also give a huge thanks to the remarkable input and support we received from Mimi Weisberg and Cantor Brook at each step in this process.

I also want to update you on our building renovation project, which is entering its next exciting phase. Construction is now focused on rebuilding the Malkov Chapel, adding much-needed new bathrooms, and rebuilding the Rose Crown Room. These improvements will enhance how we gather, pray, and celebrate together. I appreciate your continued patience and flexibility as the work progresses. The temporary inconveniences will be well worth the beautiful, modernized spaces we will soon enjoy.

Wishing you each a wonderful summer.

With gratitude,
Sam

Sam Schwartz-Fenwick

AES HISTORY

The Stained Glass Windows of Anshe Emet



WHEN ANSHE EMET BEGAN WORSHIPPING IN THIS SANCTUARY,

now the Siegel Sanctuary, Rabbi Goldman commissioned a series of six stained glass windows, designed by Todros Geller and Raymond Katz, and created by craftsmen in the local firm Drehobl Brothers. This was during the Great Depression, and this commission kept the company in business; it is still thriving to this day.

The six windows—three on each side of the sanctuary—tell the story of the Jewish people from the time of God's promise of the Land of Israel, to Abraham, to the creation of the modern State of Israel. They represent both our past and the promise of the future.

The first window shows Abraham looking at the land of Israel. The biblical quote on the window follows God's instruction to Abraham to raise his eyes and look out from where he is, to the north and south, to the east and west: "...for I give all the land that you see to you and your offspring forever," (Genesis 13:15). The side panels show the richness of the Land of Israel: Palm branches, pomegranates, grapes, and plows and scythes topped by olive branches.

Programs *at anshe*

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Raymond Arbetman Center for Adult Jewish Learning



IN CONVERSATION: JEWISH IDEAS & CURRENT EVENTS WITH RABBI EBSTEIN

Mondays • 1PM • Hybrid

All are invited to join our new series with Rabbi Ebstein, where we'll discuss Israeli and Jewish current events. This series begins Monday, August 3. Attend in person or via Zoom. No registration required.



BENJY FORESTER

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SATURDAY MORNING PARSHA CLASS

Saturdays • 9:30AM • Hybrid

Join us every Shabbat morning for an insightful learning session before Shabbat services. This class will be taught by a rotating team of community educators. All are welcome to attend.



HEBREW DECODING BOOTCAMP WITH AVRAHAM SOSA

Thursdays • 7PM • In Person

Learn the basics of Hebrew decoding, the foundational skill for understanding the Hebrew language as used throughout our sacred texts and liturgy. We will learn how to produce the sounds of the Alef Bet, eventually leading to pronouncing full words and short phrases. This class is for learners with little to no previous formal learning experience with Hebrew, or those who might have forgotten their lessons from Hebrew school! This series begins Thursday, August 20. Registration closes on Thursday, August 13.

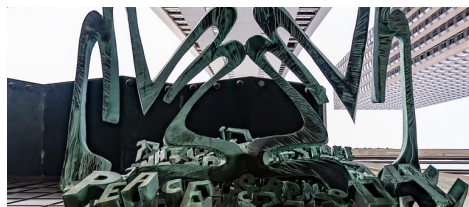


MISHNAH MONDAYS WITH RABBI BENJY FORESTER

Mondays • 8AM • Hybrid

Join us for Mishnah Mondays, where we'll schmooze after minyan over coffee and learn a little Mishnah together each week. Learners of all levels are welcome.

Community Offerings



JEWISH BUILDERS OF CHICAGO WALKING TOUR

CHICAGO
ARCHITECTURE
CENTER

Wednesday, July 15 • 11AM

Run by the Chicago Architecture Center, discover the lesser-known stories of how Jewish architects, developers, and civic leaders shaped Chicago's iconic landmarks and its commercial and cultural landscape across generations.

Registration for this tour closes on Monday, June 29 at 12PM. This tour is capped at 15 people. If there is expressed interest beyond the first 15 registrants, we will look into scheduling a second tour date.



VIRTUAL BEREAVEMENT GROUP WITH JCFS

Monday, August 24 • 7:30PM

If you have experienced the loss of a loved one within the past two years, please join our group for comfort and companionship. We meet every 4th Monday of the month via Zoom.



AES BLOOD DRIVE WITH VITALANT BLOOD DONATION

Sunday, August 30 • 8:30AM-2PM

Benefiting the people of Chicago today and ensuring blood for Israel tomorrow.

When you donate blood, you help ensure Vitalant-IL is ready to provide blood to Magen David Adom, Israel's emergency services system, whenever it might be needed.

Help your local community while providing Israel with an insurance policy too.



PLAY CANASTA AT AES

Upcoming Dates TBA

Join our WhatsApp group for communications and precise dates by emailing Emma Sternberg at esternberg@ansheemet.org.

Summer Community BBQ!



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Music Center *at anshe*

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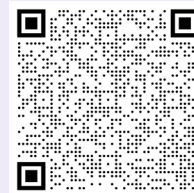
NIGUN CIRCLE TO CELEBRATE JOEY BECKER'S ALBUM RELEASE

Sunday, August 16 • 5PM

Anshe Emet member Joey Becker will be releasing an album of original Jewish music this Elul and celebrating the album release with a Nigun Circle at Anshe Emet! Through Hebrew liturgy, English lyrics, and nigun, Joey's album "Still Small Voice" offers new melodies for prayer and communal singing. We will dive into these melodies as we enter into the month of Elul, a time of reflection ahead of the High Holy Days.

MEMBER PRICE: \$18 PER TICKET

NON-MEMBER PRICE: \$25 PER TICKET



Learn more about Joey at: joey-becker.com.

Scan the QR code to listen to the premiere of "V'hi Noam" by Craig Taubman, commissioned in honor of Rabbi Siegel's retirement and performed for the first time at the Visionaries event in May.



YAD *at anshe*

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CELEBRATING TU B'AV: COUPLES DATE NIGHT

Wednesday, July 29 • 6:30PM

Please join us for a Couples Summer Soiree! Come enjoy a signature cocktail, open bar and appetizers made by the Anshe Emet head chef, Javier Cruz. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with other couples in the Chicago area, dig deep with some fun topics with Shalva, and get to know other Jewish organizations in Chicago.



ARE YOU SMARTER THAN A B-MITZVAH STUDENT?

Tuesday, August 11 • 6:30PM

Join Rabbi Benjy Forester (Anshe Emet YAD) and Rabbi Max Antman (Temple Sholom Makom) for a night of drinks, dialogue, and trivia. Test your knowledge on topics ranging from Judaism to pop culture and see how you would fare against a B-Mitzvah student. Kosher pizza will be served for dinner.



SARA VENTURA

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Young Adult Division is for members ages 22-36 years old.

**YOUNG
ADULT**
DIVISION 

Ritual *at anshe*

INCOMING 4TH GRADERS

ALL PARENTS OF 4TH GRADERS: In the fall, your children will enter our B'nai Mitzvah program. Please make sure your child's age is listed correctly in ShulCloud and that your email address is up to date so you don't miss communications about our first B'nai Mitzvah meeting in October.



MORNING MINYAN*

Throughout the summer we will continue to offer in-person (hybrid) morning Minyan daily, with Wednesday being a Zoom only day. Join us at 7AM on weekdays and 8:30AM on Sundays and national holidays for this service. To ensure we have a Minyan (especially on Torah reading days), please consider signing up using the QR code above. If you are interested in reading Torah on Mondays, Thursdays, or Rosh Chodesh please let me know.

* With construction well underway, note that morning Minyan will gather in the Bennett Resource Room.



TORAH READING

Interested in reading Torah in the Siegel Sanctuary on Shabbat and holiday? Sign up using the QR code above! This invitation also goes out to those who want to "get back to it" or the "I haven't read Torah since my Bar/Bat Mitzvah" folks. I'm here to support you to ensure you feel confident and ready when you get to the Bimah!



ETZ CHAYIM FUND

The Etz Chayim Fund helps support the maintenance of our Torah scrolls and other ritual items. From Sofer visits to new Torah belts, these funds ensure that our sacred ritual objects remain kosher and ready to serve our community. Please

consider supporting this important cause. Simply scan the QR code above (you'll need to log into your ShulCloud account) and select the "Etz Chayim Fund" on the donation page.



YAIR BERNSTEIN

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Summer Youth Service Schedule

Shalom Shabbat (Ages 0-5 years old)
10:15AM-11AM

Shalom Shabbat is a musical Shabbat morning service for children ages 5 years old and younger, along with their grownups. We will sing, dance, and share a story to bring joy to your Shabbat. We meet in the Rose Crown Room.*

**Starting June 13, we will meet in Makom Rina.*

Shachar (K-2nd graders)
11AM-12PM

Shachar service is an engaging Shabbat morning service for K-2nd grade students and their grownups. We recite blessings, dance, study Torah, and make new friends. We meet in the Rose Crown room.*

**Starting June 13, we will meet in Makom Rina.*

Shabbat HaNoar (3rd-5th graders)
11AM-12PM

Shabbat HaNoar is going on Summer Break from June 7 - August 21.

**Starting August 22, we will continue meeting in the Bennet Resource Room.*



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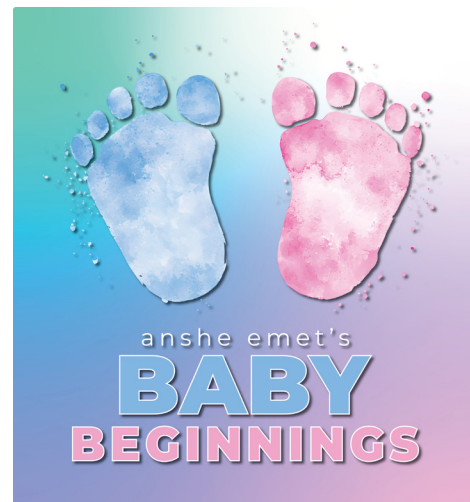
Religious School



The Joseph and Belle Braun Anshe Emet Religious School has been shaping young lives for decades. Our model is not one size fits all; we have options available to accommodate your child's schedule and learning needs. We remain committed to our vision pillars: Knowledge, Flexibility, Diversity, and Community. Religious School is for all children ages 4 years old (JK)-8th Grade. It is never too late or too early to start your child's Jewish education.



Families



**BABY
BEGINNINGS**

Fridays • 11AM • In Person

Baby beginnings returns Friday, August 21 with a new start time of 11AM! Check the Jbaby website (<https://www.juf.org/young-families/jbaby-chicago/>) later this summer to register.



Teens • Youth *at anshe*

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Teens



Apply to Be a Member of Our MADRICHIM PROGRAM

We are looking for teens who are willing to learn, work on a team, and support the Religious School in various capacities. Who can apply? All 8-12th graders! (must be a member of AES)



BBYO and Anshe Emet are proud to be partners. If you are a member of Anshe Emet, get a \$100 discount on BBYO's one-time

membership fee by filling out our online form. All 8th-12th graders are invited to join.



SPEND YOUR SUMMER WITH BBYO! BBYO Summer 2026 is your launchpad to something unforgettable. Whether you're looking to grow as a leader at one of our premier Camp Leadership programs or explore the world with Passport Travel - this summer is all about you. Choose your path and find your people.



SAVE THE DATE: YACHT PARTY AT NAVY PIER — **AUGUST 30!** Mark your calendars for one of our favorite annual traditions — the BBYO Yacht Party! More details, including registration information and event logistics, will be shared soon, but we wanted to make sure families save the date now for an unforgettable evening on the water with friends from across the community.

Summer Community BBQ!



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Affinity Groups • Community

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

Anshe Emet congregants renew their membership every summer before July 15.

As always, you will be able to renew your membership either online or through printing and mailing a physical form.

If you do not intend to maintain your membership, or if you have any questions, please reach out to Sara Ventura at sventura@ansheemet.org or 773.868.5153.



Tuesday, July 14 • 1PM

CJE'S MY GO-TO PLACE



Wednesdays, July 22 & August 26

JCC COMMUNITY DAYS

12PM Lunch • 12:30PM Program.

Sisterhood



GRANT PARK MUSIC FESTIVAL WITH SISTERHOOD & MEN'S CLUB

Wednesday, August 12 • 6:30PM

Join the Anshe Emet Sisterhood and the Men's Club in Millennium Park as we get together to enjoy our beautiful city with beautiful music and beautiful company.

August 12 is the last Wednesday of the season with Dvorak: New World Symphony. The concerts begin at 6:30PM (sharp) and are usually approximately 90 minutes without intermission. We will be meeting on the lawn at 5:15PM. Look for the AES Sisterhood sign or a familiar face. Bring food and libations. Entry is at Randolph or Monroe Streets or the Millennium Garage. There is a security check point. Please note that metal knives and cutlery are prohibited. AES Sisterhood and Men's Club are looking forward to seeing everyone.



Sisterhood is an affiliate of Women's League for Conservative Judaism—website wlcj.org. Women's League offers a wide range of online educational programs, including Zoom conversations with Masorti congregations in Israel. Your membership automatically provides access to this impressive resource.

Men's Club



MEN'S CLUB MID-SUMMER SOCIAL & BBQ

Tuesday, July 28 • 6:30PM

Join our barbeque with food expertly prepared by our own resident grillmaster, Gil Matar. The food will be fabulous, but the event also promises to be a great social gathering for members, prospective members, spouses, and significant others.

Cost: \$30/person



Men's Club brings men together for meaningful connection. We do that with programming that provides something for everyone. Eat, pray, play, celebrate and learn with us. We encourage engaged participation and are always open to suggestions.

Tisha B'Av *at anshe*

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Caring Committee



JOIN THE CARING COMMITTEE!

When members of our community need support, the Caring Committee steps in with kindness, compassion, and practical help.

We Help By:

- Delivering meals to families welcoming a new baby
- Providing meals for congregants who are ill or recovering
- Driving congregants to doctor's appointments and hospital visits
- Offering connection and support during challenging times

WE COULD USE SOME EXTRA OOMPH!

The Caring Committee is looking for volunteers who can:

- Deliver a meal
- Provide a ride
- Help coordinate outreach
- Be a caring point of connection

Whether you help once a month or once in a while, your presence makes a meaningful difference.

Small acts of care build a stronger community.

Interested in joining the Caring Committee? Contact Jan Schwartz to learn more at janlschwartz1952@gmail.com.

July 22 - July 23

Tisha B'Av has always been the day when the Jewish people gather to remember the deepest ruptures in our history - destruction, exile, loss, and the fragility of our communal home. This year, the resonance feels sharper. In the shadow of rising antisemitism across the world, and still carrying the grief, fear, and moral complexity that emerged after October 7, Tisha B'Av becomes not only a day of mourning but a day of grounding. It is a reminder that Jewish suffering is not new, that resilience is part of our spiritual DNA, and that our response to brokenness - then and now - must be rooted in compassion and communal strength. As we chant Eicha, study, pray, and reflect together, we affirm that memory is an act of resistance, and that unity is an act of hope. Tisha B'Av invites us to hold our pain honestly while imagining a rebuilt world—one grounded in dignity and peace for all.

EREV TISHA B'AV SCHEDULE (JULY 22):

7:30 PM – Seudah Mafseket (Pre Fast Meal).

Scan to register



8:15 PM – Tisha B'Av lesson with Rabbi Ebstein

8:19 PM – Fast begins

9:15 PM – Ma'ariv and Eicha (hybrid)

TISHA B'AV DAY SCHEDULE (JULY 23):

7:00 AM – Morning Minyan with Tisha B'Av Torah and Haftarah reading (hybrid)

6:00 PM – Tisha B'Av program – a screening of the film *Screams Before Silence* (see next column)

7:00 PM – Discussion about the film led by Rabbi Benjy

7:30 PM – Mincha (hybrid)

8:15 PM – D'var Torah by Fran Abramson (hybrid)

8:45 PM – Ma'ariv (hybrid)

8:57PM – Fast ends. Refreshments will be served.

All hybrid offerings will be available via our Morning Minyan Zoom link:

tinyurl.com/aes-morning-minyan

Meeting ID: 689 692 027

Password: minyan20



SCREAMS BEFORE SILENCE:

As part of our Tisha B'Av program we will be screening the film *Screams Before Silence*. This searing and essential documentary confronts one of the most painful truths of October 7: the systematic use of sexual violence against Israeli women during the Hamas attacks. Through survivor testimony, first-responders' accounts, and the voices of those who have spent months documenting the atrocities, the film refuses to let these stories be erased or denied. It restores dignity to victims by insisting that their suffering be seen, believed, and remembered.

Scan below to watch the trailer:



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August 2026



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Son of
Ana Luisa Escalante
& Antony Salas
August 15, 2026



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Child of
Lindsay Hagy
& Paul Elsberg
August 29, 2026



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Daughter of
Natalie & Tod
Schneiderman
August 22, 2026



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Son of
Jodi & Adam Gruber
August 29, 2026

A Gentle Reminder About Children on Shabbat

We are blessed to have so many children in our community, and we love seeing them experience the joy of synagogue life.

To help ensure a safe, respectful, and meaningful Shabbat environment for everyone, we ask that parents and caregivers actively supervise their children at all times. Running in hallways, entering unauthorized areas, and disruptive behavior can create safety concerns and interfere with prayer, learning, and congregational activities. Supervised spaces for children are: Room 103 and the Reich Conference Room from 9:30AM-12:30PM.

We understand that children have energy and that occasional noise is part of a vibrant community. At the same time, we ask families to help children understand appropriate behavior in our shared spaces and to accompany younger children when they are outside of designated youth services.

Thank you for your partnership in creating a warm, welcoming, and respectful Shabbat experience for all.

Misheberach List

If you would like to have a name placed on the misheberach (prayer for healing) list, contact Chaim Tempesco at ctempesco@ansheemet.org or 773.868.5125. Names will be kept on the list for two weeks unless otherwise requested.

If you have added a name to this list, and circumstances have changed, please make sure to notify Tory May so our announcements remain up to date. Thank you.

Sincerest Condolences

Anshe Emet expresses its sincerest condolences to the families of:

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