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CELEBRATING OUR 175TH ANNIVERSARY



***If there be among you a needy person within any of your gates... you shall not harden your heart,
nor shut your hand, but you shall surely open your hand. ~Deuteronomy 15:7-8***

Dear Friends,

With this publication, we want to thank you for your commitment to our Shaaray Tefila community. Your support and engagement ensured that we could continue to be a place for worship, learning, community service, and support for all our members from the youngest to the oldest. It also allowed us to quickly pivot and adapt to the unprecedented challenges posed by the pandemic.

It is our pleasure to publicly acknowledge all gifts beyond membership dues and school fees made during the year 5780 (2019-2020). These contributions enable us to strengthen our sacred community.

Thanks to your generosity, we are able to provide opportunities for meaning, connection, and purpose. Our community gathers together for prayer, to study and to pursue tikkun olam. Our children grow through our Early Childhood, Religious School and Pathways programs. Our adults engage in lifelong Jewish learning, to making change through social justice work, and supporting each other through life's joys and sorrows.

If you would like additional information about giving opportunities at Shaaray Tefila, please contact Hallie Golden, Director of Development, at hgolden@tstnyc.org or (212) 328-9393. To all of you who support Shaaray Tefila – thank you. You are the foundation upon which we will continue to build a bright future for our congregation and for the Jewish people.

In friendship,
Joel M. Mosbacher, Senior Rabbi
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Our mission is to provide the means for our congregational community to nurture and to continue its lifelong involvement in Judaism. We instill a love of our heritage, a shared connection within the warmth of worship, a devotion to community, and a renewed strength in our Jewish identity. Our staff and lay leaders work in partnership and are committed to a vision of meaning, connection, and purpose.

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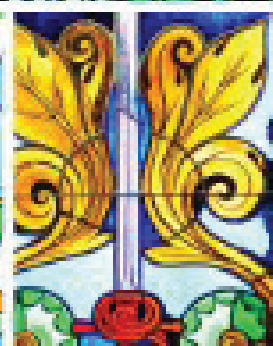
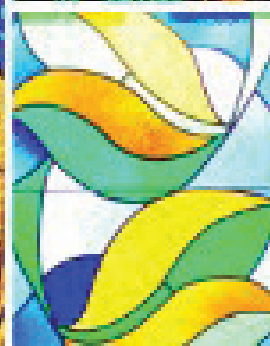
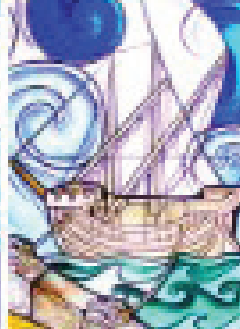
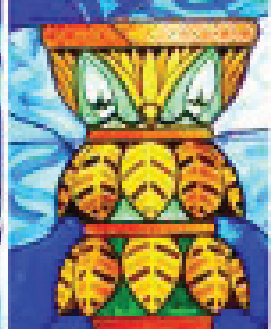
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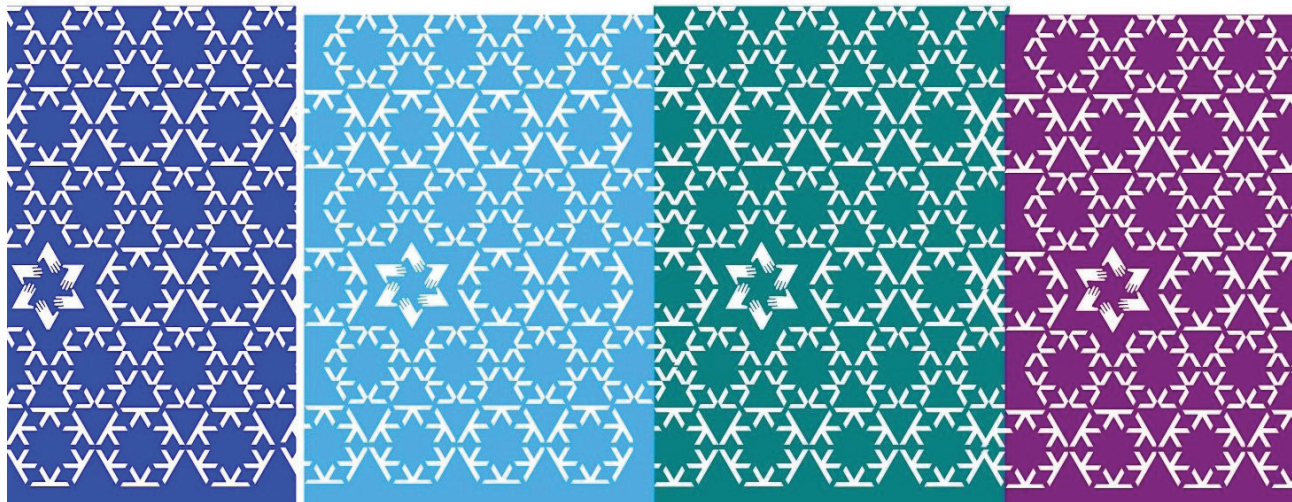
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Hillel Emergency Appeal

We extend our deep appreciation and sincere thanks to all who contributed to our Hillel Emergency Appeal. The revenue raised through this appeal helped to cover the loss of the Annual Spring Gala, which would have celebrated our 175th Anniversary. We cannot thank our congregation enough for stepping up and donating to this appeal during a very difficult time for all of us world-wide.



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The Early Childhood Programs at Shaaray Tefila serve close to 200 families with children from birth to 5 years of age, incorporating the traditions and values of Judaism in a nurturing environment alongside their peers. In these early years of childrens' lives, our youngest students and their families become part of the Temple Shaaray Tefila community and create meaningful relationships that will last for many years to come. We are grateful to those members of our early childhood community who believe in this sacred work and whose contributions enable our Early Childhood Programs to continue and thrive.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

We extend our deep appreciation and sincere thanks to all those who contributed to our Early Childhood Programs:

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What if you could leave a legacy that reflects your values and continues to make an impact long after you are gone? Naming Temple Shaaray Tefila as a beneficiary of a part of your estate is just one of the ways you can leave a lasting legacy—a token of your dedication to our sacred community which will help guarantee our congregation's long-term future. For information about opportunities to support Temple Shaaray Tefila through your estate planning, please contact Hallie Golden, Director of Development at (212) 328-9393 or hgolden@tstnyc.org.

LEAVE A LEGACY





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Tikkun olam is the Jewish tradition of seeking to create positive change in the world. Dedicated funds support programs and initiatives throughout the Temple as part of Shaaray Tefila's efforts to pursue tikkun olam. By donating directly to these programs, members strengthen and enhance some of our most cherished aspects of temple life, voice their values, and strengthen our community. We are grateful to those members whose donations add so much depth and character to synagogue life.



TIKKUN OLAM

We extend our deep appreciation and sincere thanks to all those who generously contributed to the following funds:

**The Gerry Feld Fund
for Membership Dues Relief**

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**The Isabel & Harold Feld Fund
for Religious School Scholarships**

Stephanie Feld

**The Barbara & Adolph Jurman Fund
for the Soup Kitchen**

Stephanie Feld

Temple Shaaray Tefila gratefully acknowledges the generous support of Stephanie Feld, in memory of her parents, Isabel and Harold Feld, her brother, Gerry, and her grandparents, Birdie and Adolph Jurman.

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The psalmist tells us that *"Those who sow in tears will reap in joy."* As a congregation, we are here for our members in times of both joy and sadness. Honoring the memory of your loved one with a Yahrzeit Plaque in our Sanctuary provides an opportunity to commemorate their loss in a permanent way. As the individual light next to each plaque is lit on the yearly anniversary of your loved one's passing and on major festivals, we draw once again from the wellspring of their memory to bring comfort and strength.

Yahrzeit Memorial Plaques



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