



Temple Micah

You have been told what the Eternal One requires of you:
only to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.

– Micah, 6:8

August 2019

Dear Temple Micah Members and Friends:

Greetings. I hope that you and your family are enjoying a happy and healthy summer. On behalf of the Board, we are excited to welcome you to another full year of programming, prayer and life cycle events. Temple Micah celebrated a tremendous year in 2018-2019. We had the pleasure of having our new religious leader, Rabbi Elisa Goldberg, join us for many events, celebrations, and services. I am sure that many of you have had the opportunity to meet her. She has been a wonderful asset to Temple Micah and we are thrilled that she has agreed to an extended contract. This past year we celebrated the 50th Anniversary of Temple Micah with a fun celebration of music, food, dance and prayer that will lead us into our next 50 years. Thank you to everyone who participated, donated, and helped us to celebrate this monumental event.

Our Religious School enjoyed another successful term. We held monthly Rosh Chodesh meetings, many B'nei Mitzvah celebrations and other learning opportunities in addition to the celebration of Jewish Holidays. The Board is confident that through the continued support of you, our loyal members, our dedicated Board of Trustees, our talented staff including Rabbi Elisa Goldberg, Adrienne Rubin, Sue Weiner, Jennifer Byrnes, along with our religious school teachers and our many volunteers, that Temple Micah will continue to thrive. Our mission is always to provide a warm, comfortable atmosphere where families and individuals of varied Jewish backgrounds can realize their connection to Judaism without extreme financial burden.

The High Holy Day services are approaching, with Erev Rosh Hashanah arriving on Sunday, September 29th. The full calendar of events is enclosed along with our membership form. If you would like to register online, visit our website at www.temple-micah.org and click on the online membership form. **You may pay your membership dues or make other donations by credit card** or by mailing a check using the enclosed envelope. If you have any questions, call us at 609-557-7107.

As you can imagine, our modest membership dues do not come close to meeting our financial obligations. We depend heavily on contributions from both members and non-members to sustain our religious, cultural and educational offerings. Temple Micah is one of the last congregations in the area to be able to provide so much for so little, because of the gracious hospitality of the Presbyterian Church of Lawrenceville (PCOL). The historic building requires a lot of maintenance to maintain the structure in terms of safety, security and aesthetics. As members of the church's community, it is crucial to support them as much as we can. This year on the membership form you will see a mandatory building usage fee. This fee has been added to ensure that PCOL, our home, is supported sufficiently for the amount of usage that Temple Micah has of the space.

I look forward to seeing you at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 29th, for Erev Rosh Hashanah services.

Sincerely,

Ivy Cohen
Board President