



אוֹהֵב שְׁלוֹם וְרוֹדֵף שְׁלוֹם

☆ *Ohev Shalom v'Rodeph Shalom* ☆
Love peace and pursue it (*Pirkei Avot* 1:12)

Saturday *Shabbat* Morning Service

July 25, 2026 | 11 Av, 5786

Led by: Rabbi Jill Maderer

Welcome!

Who belongs here at Congregation Rodeph Shalom?

Whether you are...

Black, brown, white, Latinx, Asian, Indigenous, or multi-racial
Queer, gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, questioning, or straight

Three days old, 30 years old, or 103 years old

Single, married, with/without kids, divorced, widowed, or partnered

Living in Philadelphia, the suburbs, or elsewhere

Struggling with addictions or know someone in that position

A student, looking for a job, or gainfully employed

Disabled, able-bodied, or a person of differing abilities

Neurodiverse or neurotypical

New to Judaism or a lifelong member

Seeking your path, Jewish or not

You belong here at Rodeph Shalom!

Where equity, inclusion, and diversity are our congregational values!

Rodeph Shalom Vision Statement

Immersed in Jewish time ♦ Guided by enduring values ♦ Compelled to moral action

We create profound connections

Immersed in Jewish time

Sustained by the sacred rhythms of the Jewish year, pivotal moments of the Jewish life cycle, and generations of Jewish history, we are part of something greater than ourselves. Living in Jewish time teaches us how to express meaning in the everyday, to gather as a community, and to walk with each other through the joys and sorrows of our lives.

Guided by enduring values

The timeless wisdom of our tradition inspires our intentional quest for truth, righteousness, and purpose amid the uncertainties we face in our world. We dedicate ourselves to Judaism's ethical messages to treat each other with loving-kindness. The faithful, the skeptic—and those who perceive God in different ways—wrestle to renew the teachings of *Torah* for our present and for the future of the Jewish people.

Compelled to moral action

In a broken world, we commit to be a voice of conscience and to engage in the work of social justice. From our doorstep to our neighborhood and beyond, we welcome the stranger and embrace our responsibility to connect with and learn from others.

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We seek meaning in shared experiences and cherish our diverse perspectives. We who are new to synagogue life or have extensive Jewish backgrounds; we who are Jewish or who share our lives with Jews; we who live within different family constellations, who are of all abilities, gender identities, sexual orientations, races, and generations: we enter the synagogue to celebrate, to learn, to laugh, to heal, to pray, to challenge ourselves, and to connect with others about the deepest questions of our lives.

In Memoriam: July 19 to July 25, 2026
Yahrzeit (anniversary of death)

Jennie Amandeo	Raymond Gubernick	Emily Newman
Abraham L. Ball	Gertrude Handle	Katie Nissman
Arthur J. Barkhouse, Jr.	Lisa Hannan	Linda Partida
Edgar Bernstein	Norman J. Kalcheim	Norma Pinkenson
Leon Blumberg	Asher Samuel Katz	Clarissa H. Popkin
Lillian Brody	Charles Kayser	Michael J. Rosenberg
Fannie Brooks	Marjorie Asher Kind	Rosa F. Rosenbloom
A.P. Carlton	Isidore Kohn	Joseph M. Salesky
Jacqueline Cohen	Jacob M. Korn	Selina R. Siedenbach
Samuel Joe Cohen	David V. Krumholz	Meyer Siedenbach
Florence Diamond	Florence R. Laden	Roslyn Silver
Joseph S. Dreifuss	Leonard A. Levine, Sr.	Ronald Silverman
Clinton Edelman	Joseph Levinson	Joseph E. Simon
Lillian Einheber	Maxwell S. Levy	David Mann Sklaroff
Myra Falk Eisenberg	Mary Soloff Linde	Mollie Stein
Josephine Enelow	Virginia H. Louchheim	Seymour Stiffman
Saul Feld	Arnold Lowe	Erna Strauss
Bonnie Fine	Arthur Makadon	Fannie Teller
Isadore Fox	Rose E. Mann	Julius H. Tolson
Lee Weiss Frank	Samuel Marein-Efron	Abraham Topkis
Ephraim J. Frankel	Bryan Shane Marks	Adolph Wasserman
Diane Freedman	Franklin B. Mayer	Esther Wasserman
Frances Ann Freezman	Nelson B. Mayer	Flora B. Wasserman
Lewis Freidman	Taube (Tova) Michels	Gordon Weinberg
Sonya Garfinkle	Loreen Miller	Alfred Edwin Weisz
Edward S. Goldberg	Stanley Nelson Mitnik	Albert J. Weyl
Anna Marymor Goldston	Elaine Nader	Benjamin Woldow
Sol Greene	Samuel Nemiroff	Milton Tuck Wolf
Sadie Koch Grinsfelder	Anna Zeitlyn Netzky	Lester Zackheim
Alan Gross		

***Shloshim* (30 days of mourning)**

Patsy Hunter Adele Kaehler Martin Hainer Sande Hollin
Dea Mallin Patricia Marie Sewell Stephen Sheppard Muriel Snyder

May the source of peace send peace to all who mourn and comfort to all who are bereaved

Our Clergy, Staff, and Lay Leadership Welcome You!

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