



JEWISH CENTER OF NORTHWEST JERSEY

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Thank you for interest in membership at the Jewish Center of Northwest Jersey. Established in 1945 in Washington, our small congregation, affiliated with the Union for Reform Judaism, is comprised of families living in the surrounding counties of Warren, Morris, Hunterdon, and Sussex. Below are a few more facts that we hope will help you in your decision-making process.

- Our congregation is composed of members from a wide variety of backgrounds: from non-observant to very traditional practicing Jews, from non-Jewish spouses to Jews by Choice, etc. *All* are welcome and encouraged to be active participants.
- Religious School meets once a week on Sunday mornings, functions as a co-op run by parents, and is offered at no charge to members in good standing (a portion of the dues from all members goes toward support of the School). Studies include Jewish history, customs, traditions, Torah, music and Hebrew language. The school provides an excellent foundation for those who wish to prepare for bar/bat mitzvah.
- Confirmation Class is offered for students in grades 8-10.
- Educational enrichment programs and a Torah study group are held for adult learning.
- Shabbat Services are bi-monthly on Friday evenings according to a calendar set yearly. We enjoy each other's company at an *Oneg Shabbat* that follows! Every family serves as an *Oneg* host.
- Saturday morning services are scheduled when there is a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, and at other designated times during the year. The entire congregation is invited to attend these services.
- An active Parent Teachers Organization plans special activities and programs for the children.
- The Men's Club holds monthly breakfasts, provides community service and ushers for the high holidays, and offers support to the congregation as needed.
- The Board of Directors meets monthly to ensure that religious, educational, and social needs continue to be met. Board meetings are open to the congregation.
- Our synagogue functions because of our members who volunteer their time and talents. Staff is limited to our rabbi, student cantor, and teachers (parents).

We are happy to answer any questions you may have and can be reached by leaving a message at the Jewish Center (908-689-0762). We look forward to having you join our congregation.

B'Shalom,

JCNWJ Membership Committee