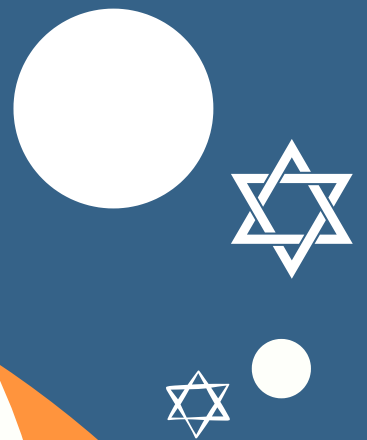


OUR  
DEFINING

# JEWISH VALUES



# בית אור

Beit Orr (“Beth Orr”) means “House of Light.”

At **Temple Beth Orr** we seek to be a light as we live and model our highest Jewish values within our walls and out in the world.

## בְּצֵלֶם אֱלֹהִים

**B’Tzelem Elohim:** [Each of us is created] in God’s image. A phrase drawn from the beginning of the biblical book of Genesis, it means that every human being has Godliness in them and must be treated that way.

## הַכְּנַסַּת אֹרְחִים

**Hachnasat Orchim:** Being welcoming and inclusive to all, especially people who may be different from ourselves or not yet known to us.

## חֶסֶד

**Chesed:** Compassion/Caring

## גְּמִילוּת חֶסְדִּים

**G’milut Chasadim:** Good deeds – doing caring things for others.

## מִצְוָה

**Mitzvah:** A Jewish religious responsibility (Our Jewish responsibility to perform holy/Godly actions in the world so as to make the world a better place.)

## צְדָקָה

**Tzedek:** Justice/Fairness. It is our responsibility to do what we can to make our world more fair for everyone.

## צְדָקָה

**Tz’dakah:** Comes from the word **Tzedek** (fairness). The responsibility to give money/food/clothing/necessary items to those in need because that makes our world more fair and just.

## תְּשׁוּבָה

**T’shuvah:** The ability and responsibility to make personal change and “turn yourself back” if you have gone off a positive life path. Finding your way back to living your own best, most positive life. We talk about T’shuvah at the High Holy Days as we reflect on our choices and resolve to do better for ourselves and others.



## הוֹדָאָה

**Hoda-ah:** The value of gratitude/thankfulness

## עֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹמִים

**Oseh Shalom:** Making Peace. We call God “Oseh Shalom” (Maker of peace) and we see ourselves as responsible to bring Godliness to our world, our communities, and our families by also being “Oseh Shalom.”

## כְּבוֹד

**Kavod:** Respect

## בַּל תַּשְׁחִית

**Bal tash-chit:** Do not destroy or waste resources

## סְלִיחָה

**S'lichah:** Sincerely asking others for forgiveness and being willing to forgive someone who is sincerely apologetic.

## שִׂמְחָה

**Simcha:** Joy

## צַעַר בְּעַלֵּי חַיִּים

**Tza-ar ba-alay chayim:** Kindness to animals

## יוֹשֵׁר

**Yosher:** Honesty and integrity

## בְּקוּר חוֹלִים

**Bikkur Cholim:** Supporting those in need of healing

## לְשׁוֹן טוֹבָה

**Lashon Tova:** Using speech for good/speaking positively

## אֱמֶת

**Emet:** Truth



# קהילה

**K'hilah:** Our Jewish community/congregation and our responsibility to nurture and support it.

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