



CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM

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TO ALL PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS OF CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of Congregation Beth Shalom. I am here to answer any questions you might have in regards to the financial responsibilities of your membership.

Briefly, our annual dues fee schedule is based on a community membership commitment. By this we mean that a member's dues will be assessed based on their household income as determined by the adjusted taxable income shown on their income tax return. (See the enclosed fee schedule for the specific breakdown.) While we expect members to pay their community membership commitment, we don't turn anyone away due to financial hardship. If you feel that your current situation does not allow you to contribute at the recommended level, please contact me to make alternate arrangements.

If you will have children attending Religious school, a fee will be assessed for each student. The fee is based on the grade for which the student is enrolled.

Finally, as part of your membership, you will have access to a beautiful temple where you can go to worship and be a part of the Jewish community. However, with this comes an ongoing mortgage that must be satisfied. The building fund has been set up for this purpose. All new members are required to pay a building fund fee of \$3,600.00. This fee can be spread over the first six years of your membership, with a minimum payment due of \$600 per year.

Once again, thank you for your interest in Congregation Beth Shalom. Please feel free to contact me at cbstreasurer@napershalom.org should you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Mike Rabin
Treasurer

We are pleased that you have chosen to join the Congregation Beth Shalom family.
Please help by clearly printing all the requested information.

Adults

	Adult 1	Adult 2
Last name/first name		
Hebrew name (If applicable)		
Gender		
Date of Birth		
Home address		
Home phone		
Mobile phone		
Work phone		
May we call you at work?		
Email		
Marital status		
Subdivision		
Employer		

Children

	Child 1	Child 2	Child 3	Child 4
Last name/first name				
Hebrew name (If Applicable)				
Gender				
Date of birth				
Secular school				
Secular grade				
Bar/bat mitzvah date				
Confirmation year				

Yahrzeit Observances

Name of deceased	Hebrew name	Date of death (secular calendar)	Date of death (Jewish calendar)	Before or after sundown?

Directory Listing

Congregation Beth Shalom publishes an annual member directory. The following information is published by default:

- Adult first and last names
- Children first and last names
- Street address
- Home phone
- Adult email addresses

However, you have the option to have all or some of your personal information omitted from your directory listing. Please indicate what information you would like to include/omit from your directory listing:

- ☐ Do not include my family in the directory
- ☐ Do not list my children
- ☐ Do not list my home address
- ☐ Do not list my email address

Last name(s) to be listed in the directory: _____

Member Name:

Thank you for your membership in Congregation Beth Shalom. While no family will be turned away for financial reasons, in the interest of transparency, we want members to know it costs Congregation Beth Shalom \$2,631 per family to run our synagogue. Through your community membership pledge, you support the Jewish community here in the Western Suburbs by:

- Providing programs and services that make our synagogue a thriving community
- Creating a place of worship for all ages and all life cycle events, from cradle to chuppah
- Paying our clergy, teachers, and staff
- Providing a Jewish education
- Maintaining and repairing our synagogue and paying off our mortgage
- Ensuring a place of prayer and community for future generations
- Supporting interfaith connections in the greater Chicago area

A. Community Membership Pledge

<p>Last year your Community Membership Pledge was \$400.00.</p> <p>If your income has changed since last year, review the “<i>Community Membership Pledge Guidelines</i>” table to see if your base pledge has changed as well. Whether or not it has, please consider for this year an increase of your Community Membership Pledge to \$1200.00. Your generosity to our community is appreciated.</p>	<table> <tr> <th data-bbox="737 930 1318 1010"><i>Adjusted Gross Income (based on line 37 of Federal Tax Form 1040)</i></th><th data-bbox="1318 930 1421 1010"><i>Annual pledge</i></th></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="737 1010 1318 1056">Less than \$40,000 Minimum pledge →</td><td data-bbox="1318 1010 1421 1056">\$1,200</td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="737 1056 1318 1102">\$40,000 to \$80,000</td><td data-bbox="1318 1056 1421 1102">\$1,800</td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="737 1102 1318 1148">\$80,000 to \$120,000</td><td data-bbox="1318 1102 1421 1148">\$2,250</td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="737 1148 1318 1194">\$120,000 to \$160,000</td><td data-bbox="1318 1148 1421 1194">\$3,000</td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="737 1194 1318 1241">\$160,000 to \$200,000</td><td data-bbox="1318 1194 1421 1241">\$3,750</td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="737 1241 1318 1297">Over \$200,000</td><td data-bbox="1318 1241 1421 1297">\$4,500</td></tr> </table>	<i>Adjusted Gross Income (based on line 37 of Federal Tax Form 1040)</i>	<i>Annual pledge</i>	Less than \$40,000 Minimum pledge →	\$1,200	\$40,000 to \$80,000	\$1,800	\$80,000 to \$120,000	\$2,250	\$120,000 to \$160,000	\$3,000	\$160,000 to \$200,000	\$3,750	Over \$200,000	\$4,500
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Note: This is the minimum of what is needed to sustain our synagogue. If you can give more, please do so. If you are unable to commit to the minimum, please contact our treasurer cbstreasurer@napershalom.org

Your Community Membership Pledge
(Put amount in Line A of Pledge Summary Page on page 3)

\$

Member Name: _____

B. Building Fund Pledge

Current Year Building Fund \$ _____

Building Fund Past Due from prior years \$ _____

*Please remember that the building fund **must** be paid off within 6 years of membership*

Total Building Pledge
(Put amount in Line B of Pledge Summary Page on page 3)

\$ _____

*The Building Fund is a mandatory pledge each new member family makes to support the synagogue for the future. It is a critical part of our financial well-being and is used to repair pipes, replace air-conditioning, clean carpeting, and maintain the overall health of the building. It is also used to pay down the mortgage and provide contingency funds for unexpected building related expenses. **This is not an optional fee and a community membership pledge cannot be applied towards it until the minimum pledge of \$1200 has been paid. In total it is \$3600 which can be divided over six years.***

C. Religious School Tuition

	# children	Cost per child (Before 6/30)	Cost per child (After 6/30)	
PreK - 2nd Grade	_____	\$430	\$455	\$ _____
3rd – 6th Grades	_____	\$555	\$580	\$ _____
7th – 10th Grades	_____	\$460	\$485	\$ _____
Dine and Discuss (Minimum 5 students to hold class)	_____	\$275	\$300	\$ _____

Tuition Subtotal \$ _____

Multi-Family (Deduct \$20 from the tuition subtotal
for each child enrolled **AFTER** the first child) \$ _____

Total Religious School Tuition
(Put amount in Line C of Pledge Summary Page on page 3)

\$ _____

D. B'nai Mitzvah Fees

B'nai Mitzvah Fees Remaining Unpaid \$ _____

B'nai Mitzvah Fees to be paid this year
(Put amount in Line D of Pledge Summary Page on page 3)

\$ _____

Please note: All fees must be paid in full 90 days prior to the B'nai Mitzvah Date.

Member Name: _____

Pledge Summary

A.	Community Membership Pledge	\$
B.	Building Fund Pledge	\$
C.	Religious School Tuition	\$
D.	B'nai Mitzvah Fees	\$
E.	Optional Additional Donation	\$
	Total Pledge Fees	\$

Payment Plans

- ☐ One payment of total amount - due by July 7. ☐ One payment by stock – contact Treasurer
- ☐ Payments by month ☐ Payments by quarter
(7th of each month after forms are due) (7/7, 10/7, 1/7, 4/7)

Payment Options

- ☐ Payment by check – **First payment must be included with membership forms**
- ☐ Automatic payment by credit card: We accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover
- Credit card # _____ Exp. _____
- Name on card _____ CCV _____
- ☐ Automatic bank account withdrawal: **PLEASE ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK**

Note: Payments by credit card or bank account withdrawal will be increased 3% for credit card and 1% for bank withdrawal.

Confirmation of Pledge

My signature indicates my commitment to provide Congregation Beth Shalom financial support as indicated in the manner specified above.

Signature _____ Date _____

Note: By being members of Congregation Beth Shalom you agree to pay all applicable fees and a late charge of 0.5% per month with a maximum of 6% per year will be applied to any fees that go unpaid. Furthermore, all fees must be paid prior to B'nai Mitzvah. Resignation of membership does not excuse the payment of fees and a penalty may be applied to cover collection costs.

Confidential Pledge Adjustment Form

It is the policy of Congregation Beth Shalom to not deny membership and full participation to anyone as a result of their inability to pay the minimum Community Membership Dues or Religious School Tuition.

If you find yourself in this situation, we require that you please complete this form. It must accompany any Community Membership Dues Pledge below \$1,200 or a request for reduced Religious School Tuition.

If you are seeking relief from the above-mentioned Dues or Tuition, you are required to schedule a meeting with our Treasurer as soon as possible, but no later than August 1, 2020. Please contact the treasurer at cbstreasurer@napershalom.org.

Explanation for Pledge Adjustment: _____

I (we) _____
Name(s)

request the following pledge levels for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021:

Membership Dues _____

Religious School Tuition _____

I (we) understand that Congregation Beth Shalom incurs a cost for Bar/Bat Mitzvah tutors and we are responsible for these fees. Additionally, we understand that if we cannot pay the Building Fund obligation within the six (6) year commitment a payment plan may be worked out with the Treasurer.

I (we) understand that this request for an adjustment in fees applies only to the 2020-2021 year and is temporary. If my (our) financial circumstances change, we agree to contact the Treasurer to make adjustment to our pledge.

Signature _____ Date _____

Treasurer's Signature _____ Date _____