



## Membership Renewal July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024 / 5784

June 20, 2023

Dear Fellow Congregant/s,

We extend warm greetings to you, our members, and look forward to your participation in JCSVV life during the coming 2023-2024 membership year. We are grateful that many members have returned to attending Shabbat Services and other events in our Synagogue building. We are also grateful that the social isolation due to the COVID 19 Pandemic is lessening for most. We can all look forward to an enriching year of programming, both in person and online.

Everyone who has attended events, from Erev Shabbat Services to the High Holidays, the Hanukkah Party to the Purim Spiel, Committee Meetings to Gift Shop sales, Supper in the Sukkah to the Passover Seder, has experienced our reconnecting over the past year as a community, a Mishpacha. In addition, we have shared a year of educational and inspiring online programs. As of May 20th, in-person Torah Study was resumed, meeting at 11 a.m. on Saturday mornings. For those who are unable to attend Services and programs in person, they will continue to be available online (please check our website for information on how to attend Services and programs virtually). Our goal is to make it easy for all members to participate.

Please complete the Membership Renewal Form for the 2023-2024 membership year, July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024, using one of these options: (1) online fillable form, (2) download a PDF and complete in paper form or (3) complete the Membership Renewal form mailed to members from the JCSVV office. Paper forms are to be mailed or delivered to the JCSVV office.

Due to the increased expenses incurred in JCSVV operations, dues have increased by 3%. We have experienced additional expenditures in maintaining our building and improving our technology that allows JCSVV members to participate in almost all activities remotely. We provide access via recordings of most of our presentations. We have also significantly upgraded the synagogue's security system. We hope you will take advantage of these benefits which we are now able to offer our members.

If your financial situation requires a dues adjustment, please contact Sybil Malinowski Melody, President at 928.204.1286, or contact the JCSVV Office by email at office@jcsvv.org. All communications are confidential.

If you wish to offer additional funds above the basic membership level, please review the Tzedakah Circle options on the Membership Renewal forms. Any higher level of donation helps support synagogue ritual, cultural, social and educational programming.

Your continued membership will help maintain the mission of having a Jewish presence in Sedona and the Verde Valley.

With gratitude and blessings,

**Sybil Malinowski Melody** President **Alicia Magal** Rabbi

**Gloria Brown** Membership V.P.



# Donating your IRA distributions to a charity

This is an option you may choose for paying your membership dues.

Qualified charitable distributions (QCDs) have been permanently extended. Individuals can donate up to \$100,000 per year directly from a traditional or Roth IRA to qualifying charities. This is attractive to some investors because QCDs can be used to satisfy required minimum distributions (RMDs) from an IRA without having the distribution included in their income.

If you are interested in this option, you may consult your personal financial planner.

### Membership

We have included the Membership Renewal Form that corresponds to your current level of membership – that is, Family, Individual or Associate. If you would like to upgrade your membership, please review the Tzedakah Circles on the enclosed Dues Commitment Form. This elevated donation will support synagogue ritual, cultural, social and educational programming.

The Dues Renewal Form includes several payment options for your membership dues. If you have any questions about these options, please contact the office.

### **Yahrzeits**

Memorial Dates for Loved Ones

We maintain a database of Yahrzeits of your loved ones. Our office sends letters to notify you annually at the time of these Yahrzeits, and Rabbi Magal reads their names at Shabbat Services. If you would like to receive these notices from our office, or update your Yahrzeit records, please contact us at <a href="mailto:office@jcsvv.org">office@jcsvv.org</a>. The form is also on our website, under the DONATE tab: <a href="https://www.jcsvv.org/donate/yahrzeit-information-sheet/">https://www.jcsvv.org/donate/yahrzeit-information-sheet/</a>.

## Memorial Wall Plaque

To honor the memory of your loved one, you can order a plaque to be placed on our beautiful Memorial Wall in the JCSVV sanctuary. The plaque will be lit during the week of the Yahrzeit. The form for ordering a plaque is on our website under the DONATE tab: <a href="https://www.jcsvv.org/donate/memorial-wall-plaques/">https://www.jcsvv.org/donate/memorial-wall-plaques/</a> or you may contact the office for more information.



#### ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM 2023-2024 / 5784

- Please complete and return this form to the JCSVV office with your dues payment.
- An Associate Member is an individual or family living 50 or more miles from the JCSVV.

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