



**THE NEW REFORM  
TEMPLE**

# MISSION STATEMENT

The New Reform Temple is a dynamic congregation that embraces a progressive and inclusive vision of Reform Judaism. While remaining deeply connected to our roots, we create opportunities for spiritual enrichment, continuing Jewish education and community engagement. We thrive on thoughtful respect for diversity of expression.

## WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1966, NRT is the home for Progressive Reform Judaism in Kansas City. The only Jewish Reform congregation based in the midtown area of KC, NRT is located in a beautiful historic landmark building on the corner of Gregory Boulevard and Main.

Our congregation counts over 200 families who are dedicated to creating an intimate community where everybody feels welcome.



# EDUCATION

The Marion and Henry Bloch Religious School of The New Reform Temple begins with kindergarten and continues through 10th grade. Each week Sunday School concludes with a family service filled with song, dance, and occasional outbursts of kindergarten hilarity. It's truly a special time for families. Additionally, NRT conducts meaningful ritual practices including Confirmation and a Bar/Bat Mitzvah program.

Adult learning plays a central role in our congregation. Our educational opportunities include a weekly Shabbat torah study, stimulating courses, and our yearly Krasne Scholar-in-Residence program.



# RABBI ALAN LONDY

Rabbi Londy joined The New Reform Temple in July 2011. His passion, knowledge, and sense of humor have made him an amazing spiritual leader for our congregation. He is a trained pastoral counselor who provides support and guidance during times of need and life cycle events. He'd be happy to talk to you about any topic. Please feel free to contact Rabbi Londy at [rabbi@thenewreformtemple.com](mailto:rabbi@thenewreformtemple.com)



# DOES YOUR SHABBAT **SOUND** **LIKE THIS?**

Becky and Nathan Bliss bring inspiration to NRT through their unique sound. This classically-trained duo doubles as Barnaby Bright, their award-winning indie-rock band that's played all over the world. Their energy will elevate your spirit.



# EVENTS AND VOLUNTEERING

NRT is an active and growing congregation that offers meaningful and fun ways to get involved. Some activities we do include community outreach, Mitzvah Days programs, and Hanukkah Palooza. There are so many ways to engage with the temple and provide support through sharing your skills, elbow grease, or even just bringing the bagels!



# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I (we) hereby apply for membership in The New Reform Temple of Kansas City, Missouri and agree, if accepted for membership, to abide by the By Laws, as established by the membership, and make a donation of annual dues, as fixed by the Board of Directors. The following information is submitted for consideration by the Membership Committee and the Board of Directors.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY (check one):  SINGLE  COUPLE  FAMILY {Married or Adult with Child(ren)}

APPLICANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE/PARTNER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ ANNIVERSARY: \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN - THROUGH AGE 25 (SINGLE)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

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BUSINESS INFORMATION

APPLICANT:

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE/PARTNER:

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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Yahrzeit Information

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SPECIAL INTERESTS OR ACTIVITIES: \_\_\_\_\_

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DATED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_



# DUES

Our dues schedule is as follows:

<b>Age</b>	<b>Single</b>	<b>Family</b>
Under 30	\$200	\$350
30-34	\$350	\$700
35-39	\$800	\$1,250
40+	\$1,500	\$1,900

We do not turn anyone away for financial reasons. If you find yourself in that situation, please contact our main office at 816-523-7809 or [info@thenewreformtemple.com](mailto:info@thenewreformtemple.com).

Dues are payable annually by June 30 for the fiscal year June 1 – May 31, but payments may be made on a semi-annual and quarterly basis if so desired. Please contact the Temple office for further questions regarding membership.

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# CURRENT TUITION, MEMBERSHIP, AND HIGH HOLY DAY POLICIES AT NRT

## **Tuition Policy for Members:**

Members of NRT may enroll their children in our Religious School at a tuition rate of \$100.

## **Tuition Policy for Non-Members:**

Torah Tots, our Sunday preschool program, is free. It is open to all Jewish families in our community.

Beginning with kindergarten, a family may enroll their children in our Religious School for one year without being a member. They pay the non-member tuition of \$200.

After one year, the family must become a full dues<sup>[1]</sup> paying member in order for the child to continue in our religious school.

## **Tuition Policy for Members of Kol Ami:**

Members of Kol Ami are permitted to enroll their children into our Religious School at a non-member rate. They are not required to become members at NRT but must remain members of Kol Ami.

## **High Holiday Ticket Policy for Non-Members:**

For security reasons, all people attending our worship must have in their possession a High Holy Day ticket.

Tickets will not be issued at the door or sent in the mail.

The tickets can be obtained prior to the Holy Days without charge.  
(A donation of \$100 is suggested for each ticket.)

To obtain a ticket, a person must come to the synagogue office prior to the High Holy Days. An information form must be filled out for the membership committee to follow up with the guest.

## **Obligations to other synagogues:**

A person who has not fulfilled their financial obligation to another congregation cannot become a member of NRT until that obligation has been met.

## **Associate Memberships:**

Associate Member must be, at the time of application, a member in good standing at another synagogue. (Status of membership will be checked before associated membership is approved.)

Associate Member will pay 50% of NRT's synagogue dues according to most current dues structure of the synagogue.

Associate Membership must be approved by the Board of Directors.

## **Privileges:**

Participating in synagogue worship including High Holy Days

Participation in all synagogue educational, cultural, and social programming.

Enrolling child(ren) in religious school at the non-member tuition rate.

Receiving all congregational mails and electronic communications.

## **Exceptions:**

NRT clergy may not officiate at the associate Member's life-cycle events without prior permission of the rabbi from the synagogue of primary affiliation. Appropriate fees, set by the board, will be charged by the synagogue when NRT clergy are asked to perform life-cycle events.

Associate member may not serve on the Board or Congregation Committees.

Associate member may not vote at a congregational meeting.

[1] In certain circumstances, reduced dues can be arranged in consultation with the President or the Treasurer.

# CONTACT

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