



Since we began in 2012, our goal has been to inspire the lives of children, families, and individuals. It's our 13th year milestone, our b'nai mitzvah!

## Let's celebrate, together

November 28, 2024

Dear Members and Friends,

We have arrived at our 13th year as a community and we are blessed. Many of us feel a deep sense of gratitude and wonder for Tamid, and believe that we've accomplished something truly historic. Despite the challenges we are facing in the world today, somehow, Tamid keeps getting better at supporting our lives.

No matter the day or year that you first experienced Tamid, I trust it has enhanced your life. It certainly has for me and my family. We were living Downtown in 2012 with young kids and we were looking for a place to call our Jewish home.

The conventional Judaism we had growing up was not right for our family. We wanted something sophisticated and smart, accessible and inclusive, elevated and intelligent, as well as professional and personal. We envisioned a Jewish community for us that was open hearted, seriously joyful, and that drew upon Jewish and universal values. We also sought a place to make Jewish friends to share the journey of life. Tamid has become this and more for our family.

Along the way, I have learned that people seek different things from their synagogue community. As Chair of the Va'ad Council, I hope that whatever drew you to Tamid, we have met and even exceeded your expectations.

What started as a group of 34 families, most of which had young kids in our new Hebrew School, has blossomed into a real congregation, serving people of all ages and backgrounds. Today, we're working hard to meet the ritual and communal needs of hundreds of families each year. The secret to our success is that we always ask, "how can we best support and serve our people?" That's you.

We have so much to celebrate as we arrive at our 13th year milestone and I hope that you will join our B'nai Mitzvah Celebration on May 2, 2015. Everyone is invited and it is going to be night to remember!

Thank you for supporting Tamid

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“Our family grew up at Tamid. This picture was at Rosh Hashanah in 2012. Stella (8), Lola (5), and Reese was an infant that year. 13 years on, we attribute the strength and pride of their Jewish identity to our involvement with this extraordinary community.”

- Robb and Elizabeth Tretter

And now, I'm turning the request towards you. Would you consider supporting our community with a generous tzedaka gift this milestone year? Please invest in us, in each other, and, in our future.

I am pleased to announce several new pathways to financially support our community and our legacy in Lower Manhattan. In addition to your membership and annual support, we have created some new donor opportunities for you to honor your family as you support Tamid.

We are seeking donors, supporters, and foundations, who want to enhance our work, annually and permanently. We have so many dreams for our future and that takes financial resources. Adding on to what we already do, we also want to invest in our college age kids, create an annual lecture series for Lower Manhattan, and launch an Israel Center at Tamid, just to name a few.

Even if you are not able to give a major gift, I hope you will be excited by our new initiatives. If you are interested in naming a legacy gift that is listed on the next page, please contact me or Rabbi Darren to discuss further.

If you have given to our general campaign or scholarship funds in the past, thank you. Our goal is 100% member participation every year and we are grateful for you.

It's remarkable what we have created in just 13 years and we are ready to take Tamid to the next level. Leaving childhood and moving into adulthood is a critical task for every person and organization. Thank you for being with us as we take this step, together.

On behalf of our Leadership Council, thank you,

Robb Tretter, Va'ad Chair

**Make an annual gift**

**OR**

**Make an legacy gift\***

- Sponsor Rosh Hashanah luncheon **\$3600**
- Sponsor Yom Kippur Break-fast **\$3600**
- Sponsor Hanukkah Celebration **\$3600**
- Sponsor Purim Party and Show **\$3600**
- Sponsor Passover Seder **\$3600**
- Sponsor Shabbat Gathering **\$1800**
- Sponsor Supplies for Teen DHAP **\$720**

\*please circle your selection

- Name New Torah Scroll in Tiq Case **\$250,000**
- Name New Israel Center at Tamid **\$180,000**
- Name New College Connections **\$180,000**
- Name B'nai Mitzvah Program **\$180,000**
- Name DHAP Teen Program **\$180,000**
- Name L'Chayim Society **\$180,000**
- Name Forever Young Chavurah **\$180,000**
- Name New Annual Lecture Series **\$100,000**

\*to be fulfilled within 5 years

**I/we will contribute to the following areas:**

- Tamid General Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Student Scholarship Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Steigmann Family Peace and Tolerance Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Did you know?**

Planned giving can reduce your taxes. Over age 70? Give from your IRA. Please consider a securities transfer and corporate matching. Thank you!


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- My check is enclosed payable to "Tamid"
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Name on card \_\_\_\_\_

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**Tamid is born  
May 20, 2012**

“There is a story in the Talmud about an old man planting a tree. A fellow comes along and says, "why are you planting this tree? You will be well gone before it bears any fruit." The man replies, "true, but I am not planting it for me. I am planting it for my children and their children."

Tamid, the seeds we planted at our first gathering in 2012 have produced incredible fruits. From the 46 people in the room that night, we've blossomed into a sacred community that is innovative, uplifting, caring, musical, inclusive, and a positive force in our lives.

13 seasons of High Holidays/Hanukkah/Purim, 37 weddings, 53 funerals, 171 bar/bat mitzvahs, 126 Shabbat gatherings, 300+ boxes of matzoh, 432 of your letters in the new Torah, 2,000+ dreidels, 2300+ hamentashen, 5000+ meals deliver by our teens, and we're just getting started!

We have planted our tree and I'm full of pride for what we are accomplishing. We are blessed with staff, volunteers, and members that are extraordinary, and we have so much to celebrate. Thank you for the gifts that you pour into our community.

Mazel tov on this legacy achievement, I am so proud of us.

B'shalom, Rabbi Darren