Vassar Temple Cemetery Cleanup Day Sunday, October 17, 9:00 – 11:30 AM (Rain date: Sunday, October 24)



Many of you have been involved in the annual "mitzvah" of caring for our historic cemetery in the City of Poughkeepsie. This honors our founders and preserves our history, and we thank those who have participated.

Starting this fall, we're adding a seasonal cleanup at our current cemetery on Lagrange Avenue (near Vassar College). While our newly revitalized Cemetery Committee is pursuing arrangements for year-round professional property maintenance, we invite members to join us for a couple of hours to do some basic cleanup and pruning. This is a great opportunity to help the Temple, respect our past and present families, and get familiar with the property.

Sponsor Our Team! Dutchess Interfaith CROP Hunger Walk Sunday, October 17

Please go to https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/vassar-temple and make a contribution to sponsor any or all of our Vassar Temple crop Walk Team members: Rabbi Altman, Lydia Brown, Muriel Lampell, Ron Rosen, Dave Wolf. Or you can make one donation to sponsor the entire Temple team. If you prefer to donate by check (made out to CWS CROP) please contact our team leader Ron Rosen at cropwalk@vassartemple.org for details.

25% of funds raised here will come back to fight hunger locally; the rest will be used to help fight hunger nationally and globally, not only providing direct hunger, disaster, and refugee assistance, but also helping communities with well-digging, irrigation, and the methods and materials they need to become food sustaining on their own.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Rabbi Altman's High Holy Day sermons are available on the temple's blog.

The Vassar Temple Blog at https://vassartemple.wordpress.com/

Thank you to those who have been so generous in their donations to this year's High Holy Day Appeal.

It's not too late to donate. We have extra cards available, or you can make a donation via credit card by email <u>office@vassartemple.org</u> ~ phone 845.254.2570 or at our website <u>vassartemple.org</u>.

Shabbat Y'Ladim (Children's Shabbat)

All children from tots thru first grade are invited to join Rabbi Altman for a celebration of Shabbat on **Saturday**, **October 23 from 10:30 -11:00 am.** Our stuffed bear friends Kachol v'Lavan will be there to take part in the singing, stories, and a brief, child-friendly Shabbat service. Tell your friends and neighbors - this event is free and open to the whole community.

Brotherhood Happy Hour October 26, 2021, 5:00 pm

NEW MEMBER SHABBAT:

A Simchat Shabbat Service led by Rabbi Altman and music with Cantor Goldmann In-person and via Zoom

Please join us in welcoming our new congregation members on Friday, October 29, 2021, at **6:00 pm**

Healing Service in person or via Zoom Saturday, October 30, at 10:30 am with Rabbi Altman and Cantor Goldmann

This service is designed for anyone praying for the healing of the body, soul, and spirit for themselves, for others, for our nation, and for the world. The service will include prayers, reflections, and songs that focus on healing, as part of a Shabbat morning service.

Cantorial Sponsorships Enhance Shabbat Music

Is music a central part of your spiritual experience during Shabbat and High Holiday services at Vassar Temple?

If it is, please consider assisting the temple by contributing to bring cantorial music to our services. Investing in music immeasurably enhances the religious experience that means so much to our members.

The temple has been fortunate to benefit from a generous gift donated by Marsha and Richard Timmerman to our cantorial fund. Your contribution will extend the life of that gift for cantorial music into the future.

For a suggested contribution of \$250, you can sponsor Cantor Goldmann for a specific service that she's leading this year or next. Your contribution can be acknowledged as a personal or family *simcha* or in honor of whomever you designate.

Please help support cantorial music in the coming year! For more information, please contact Bob Abrams at music@vassartemple.org

Keep the Chili Coming.

The weather is getting cooler and our hungry neighbors still need our support. Make your chili (using recipe below) and place it in the freezer at Vassar Temple. We collect the donations monthly and bring them to Lunchbox. The Vassar Temple Chili is loved by all!

Vassar Temple Lunch Box Chili Recipe

Note: Please follow this recipe because all individual chili donations will be put together and heated on-site at Lunchbox. Please deliver your chili to the temple in disposable containers (either freezer bags or plastic containers) If you want to label your container, we can try to return it to the temple.

This recipe should serve approximately 15. Please do not make the chili spicy. Use chili powder for flavor and not to add too much spice. Many of the residents/clients will not eat overly spiced food. We want the meal to be nutritious and hearty.

Ingredients:

- 3 lbs ground meat (turkey)
- 2 large onions
- 2 large green or red peppers (sweet peppers not hot)
- 2-3 15 oz cans beans (kidney or black beans)
- 2 20 oz can of chopped or crushed tomatoes (or equivalent fresh)

Extra water or stock if necessary

Salt/pepper

Chili powder