

קייק לכ שפנ יחרוסם
Kol Nefesh Masorti Synagogue

PURPOSE STATEMENT

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PURPOSE:

To be a place to pray, to learn and to form a supportive Jewish community.

BELIEFS:

Masorti approach to Judaism

Halacha according to the worldwide interpretation of the Masorti rabbinate

Men and women having equal responsibilities and opportunities within both religious and community life.

Openness to change and evolution.

Importance of pluralism and diversity.

VALUES:

Valuing each member's contribution.

Jewish values and ethics central to the life of the individual and of the community.

Open, enquiring, innovating, learning and educational – a thinking community.

CAPABILITIES:

Competence in synagogue skills

Participation

Teaching and learning

Effective management

BEHAVIOUR:

Providing opportunities for everyone to participate in the community's activities at their desired level through education and participation in the wider community.

Supporting Israel and Jewish communities around the world and working towards Tikkun Olam.

Review and renew our values as a community on an annual basis.

Individual responsibility for the well-being of the community.

ENVIRONMENT:

Warm, welcoming to all ages, inclusive, tolerant of diverse views in an ambience that allows both the active and the less active to feel comfortable, respected and valued.