



EVENING MAHJ

— led by Leigh Zircher —

Mondays from 6:30-8:30 PM at CBT

UPCOMING DATES

- Oct 5
- Oct 19
- Nov 2
- Nov 16
- Nov 30
- Dec 14

Never played before? We'll teach you! Bring your most up-to-date Mahj card, and if you don't have one, we will have one for you to borrow!

**CLICK
HERE TO
SIGN UP**

MAH JONGG

**Wed, Oct 7
1:30 PM–3:30
at CBT**

UPCOMING DATES

Tue, Oct 20
Wed, Nov 4
Tue, Nov 17
Wed, Dec 2

Click to
RSVP
All dates

For questions,
email Shelley at
sgrievezerkel@gmail.com

CANASTA

Join us for Canasta — it's perfect for beginners as well as returning players!

Mondays from 4:00-6:00 PM at CBT

UPCOMING DATES

- Oct 5
- Oct 12
- Oct 19
- Oct 26

**CLICK
HERE TO
SIGN UP**

Sign-ups are encouraged;
walk-ins are always welcome!



BOOK CLUB

Tue, Oct 13 • 12:30 PM • CBT Library



Please join us to discuss *New York Times* bestseller, *Heart of a Stranger: An Unlikely Rabbi's Story of Faith, Identity, and Belonging* by Angela Buchdahl.

Part memoir and part sermon, each chapter pairs a personal vignette from her life with a mini-sermon or Torah lesson focused around a single Hebrew word or concept.

Angela Buchdahl, the first Asian American ordained as a rabbi, shares her journey from feeling like an outsider to becoming a prominent Jewish leader. Born in Seoul to a Korean Buddhist mother and Jewish American father, she overcame questions about her identity, racism, sexism, and self-doubt to pursue her calling. Part memoir and part spiritual guide, her story explores how faith, gratitude, empathy, and our responsibility to one another can transform feelings of difference into sources of strength and connection.

COLLAGE CLASS
taught by Barbara Robbins

Sun, Nov 1 • 12:30–2:30

All supplies will be provided, but if you want to bring something personal (e.g., a clay pot a tray, or a picture frame), that's even better!

You can also bring pictures, craft paper, fancy napkins, or similar items you'd like to use! **This is a great idea for Hanukkah gifts!**

Ages 10 and up – under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Click [HERE](#) to
RSVP by Oct 25

Cost is
\$10/person



GIFT SHOP TREASURES

If you need something for Shabbat, other Jewish holidays or celebrations, Jewish jewelry, or a lovely piece of Judaica, look no further! The Women of Beth Tikvah Gift Shop has you covered, whether you're buying a gift or something for yourself.

We're not limited to what you see in the lobby display cases. **We can do special orders on items such as tallit, jewelry, B'nai Mitzvah gifts, and more!**

Rhonda is available for weekday sales or call Jackie Kon at 614-832-8815.



UPCOMING WBT EVENTS (Sign-up links coming soon!)

Women of Beth Tikvah is actively planning all sorts of opportunities to connect. Keep an eye out for emails, and read our monthly newsletters, so you don't miss activities that interest you. All of the listed events will be held at Beth Tikvah:



- **Game Night with Brotherhood:** Jan 2027 Date and time TBA
- **LINGO** (L'Taken Bingo): Wed, Apr 14, 2027 — **OPEN TO EVERYONE!** (formerly WINGO, it's now LINGO and raises money to send the confirmation class on the L'Taken trip to D.C.)
- **BIRTHDAY BAGS!** Date and time TBA

We're always looking for fun and interesting new activities and programs. Do you have a specific interest you'd like to explore? Let us know at wbt@bethtikvahcolumbus.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LINGO!

Help the Women of Beth Tikvah plan and run our April 14, 2027 LINGO fundraiser!

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help make LINGO (formerly WINGO, now LINGO, in homage to our fundraising focus) a fun and successful event. It will take some planning and helping hands. Whether you have a little time or a lot, your energy and ideas will make a real difference!

LINGO is just like WINGO or BINGO, but it's focused on raising funds to send our youth to the annual L'Taken Seminar, which is organized by the Reform Action Center (RAC) in D.C.

The event will be held at Congregation Beth Tikvah on April, 14, 2027.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP

- Steering committee to plan and organize before the event
- Food or meal selection and planning
- Procuring silent auction and raffle items
- Registration and welcoming guests
- Decorating and setting up the space
- Securing sponsors
- Marketing and publicity

Click **HERE**
to Volunteer!



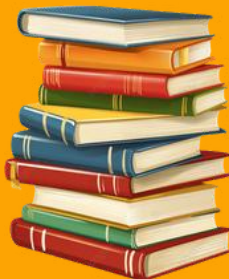
No experience is needed — just a willingness to pitch in and be a part of a friendly team.

We welcome adult volunteers of all ages and availability.

For more information on RAC, click [HERE](#).

TIKVAH TITLES

Have a book you'd like to share? Add your book recommendation, with a sticky note to the book's cover, and leave it in the Tikvah Titles drop box in the Beth Tikvah parking lot so others can enjoy the book you love. Your contribution will move the book from the shelf to someone who appreciates your recommendation.



Tikvah Titles Sharing Library has a selection of books perfect for reading while curling up with a nice cup of tea. Check out the current stock in our parking lot location!



Registration Now Open!

**2026 Heartland All-District Event:
*LEADING WITH INTENTION***

**Friday, Nov. 6, 2026 5:00 pm (CT) through
Sunday, Nov. 8, 2026, 11:00 am (CT)**

**Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute (OSRUI)
600 Lac Labelle Dr., Oconomowoc, WI**

**Join Heartland District for a weekend filled
with worship, Jewish joy, and opportunities
to build friendships that will strengthen our
community long after our retreat ends.**



WHO IS THIS WEEKEND FOR:

We invite you to our special retreat for women (who identify as female, non-binary, or gender fluid), whether you are new to WRJ and Heartland or have attended previous events.



WHAT TO EXPECT?

- A fabulous Zentangle Workshop through a Jewish Lens: "Finding Creativity, Calm and Connection" with artist-in-residence, Debbie Harris
- Worship services led by our own WRJ leaders
- A fun YES Fund activity
- A Social Action project



REGISTER HERE



[Click here](#) for room rates. Registration is due by Oct. 26.

[Click here](#) to download this flyer.

Questions? Contact Laura Cooper cooper4449@gmail.com

If you can't attend this event,
you can still donate to the Heartland District [here](#) .

*Happy
Simchat Torah!*



BENEFITS OF **WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM**

- Join our global network of Reform Jewish women+ working together to empower each other and our communities through the bonds of sisterhood, spirituality, and social justice
- Contribute to collective action in support of issues like reproductive freedom and protections for survivors of gender-based violence
- Access high-quality programming, resources, and education to help you strengthen your leadership skills



MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES:

Connection

Join WRJ on Mighty Networks, an engaging website where you can ask questions and get support and new ideas from others around the world.

Speakers

WRJ and District speakers bring the message of WRJ to you! You can request a WRJ speaker to visit your sisterhood or community in person or via Zoom.

Spirituality

WRJ offers Torah study guides with a feminist lens, global women's Torah Circles, and diverse resources on prayer, rituals, and Jewish holidays.

In-Person Events

Attend a variety of events such as Fried Women's Conference, Rabbi Marla J. Feldman Social Justice Conference, in addition to local and regional gatherings.

Online Community

Sign up for everything from cooking demonstrations to book and movie discussions to leadership education programs.

Advocacy Opportunities

Since its founding in 1913, WRJ has mobilized collective action to create a more just and compassionate world for people of all backgrounds and identities.

Program Resources

Access program ideas and resources to easily use in your congregation or community, including replicable "programs in a box."

Equity & Inclusion

WRJ's membership includes all who identify as female, nonbinary, or genderfluid and all who identify as Jewish or are on a Jewish journey.

Philanthropy

Through the YES Fund, WRJ supports youth, education, and special projects that develop future leaders of the Reform Movement.

Sisterhood. Spirituality. Social Justice.

Learn more at www.WRJ.org

For more information, click **HERE** to access the *Lev el Lev* newsletter.

To visit the WRJ website, click **HERE**.



RECIPE OF THE MONTH: *Matzo Ball Soup*

PREP TIME: 25 min. + chilling • **COOK TIME:** 1-1/2 hours Serves 12 (4-1/2 quarts)

INGREDIENTS

- 1 broiler/fryer chicken (3-4 pounds)
- 1 can (14-1/2 ounces) chicken broth
- 1-3/4 teaspoons kosher salt, divided
- 1 pound carrots, coarsely chopped
- 6 celery ribs, coarsely chopped
- 1/2 cup coarsely chopped sweet onion
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/4 cup minced fresh parsley

MATZO BALLS

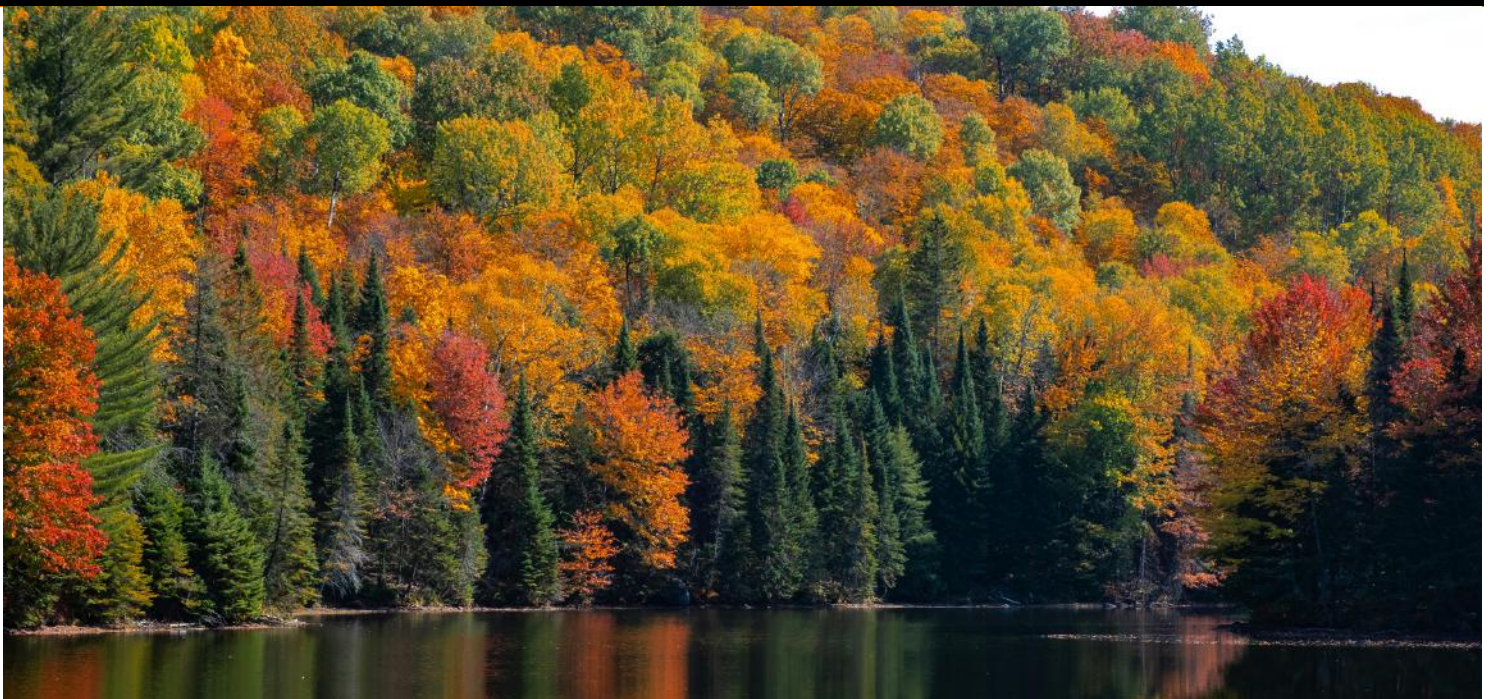
- 2 large eggs
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 package (5 ounces) matzo ball mix
- 1/4 cup finely chopped onion



Click **HERE** for
the original recipe!

DIRECTIONS

1. Place chicken in a large soup kettle. Add the broth, 1 teaspoon kosher salt, and enough water to cover the chicken. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 55-65 minutes or until meat is tender, skimming the surface as foam rises.
2. Remove chicken and set aside until cool enough to handle. Strain broth and skim off fat. If needed, add additional water to make 10 cups of broth. Return broth to the kettle. Add the carrots, celery, onion, garlic, pepper, and remaining 3/4 teaspoon salt. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat. Simmer for 15 minutes or until carrots are tender.
3. Meanwhile, for matzo balls, whisk eggs and oil in a small bowl. Add matzo ball mix and onion. Toss with a fork until combined. Cover and refrigerate for 15 minutes.
4. Remove and discard skin and bones from chicken; shred chicken and add to soup. Stir in parsley. Bring to a boil. Drop matzo ball dough by tablespoonfuls into boiling soup. Reduce heat. Cover and simmer for 20-25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into a matzo ball comes out clean (do not lift cover while simmering).
5. With a slotted spoon, carefully remove matzo balls, and divide among soup bowls. Ladle soup over top. If desired, top with additional parsley and pepper.



Become a Member of Women of Beth Tikvah

Women of Beth Tikvah (WBT) is more than a group that gathers for programs and events—it’s a vibrant community built on friendship, Jewish values, service, and fun.

Whether you’re looking to make new connections, deepen your involvement in congregational life, support meaningful causes, or enjoy spending time with other women, there’s a place for you in WBT.

When you become a member, you join a welcoming circle of women who bring warmth, creativity, and dedication to everything we do. Together, we strengthen our congregation, support our community, and enrich one another’s lives.

As a member, you’ll have opportunities to:

Support Meaningful Fundraising

- Help our Confirmation Class attend the Religious Action Center’s L’Taken Social Justice Seminar
- Purchase Mah Jongg cards
- Support our Gift Shop and seasonal Pop-Up Sales
- Assist the Worthington Resource Center

Strengthen Our Congregation

- Partner in Mitzvah Day
- Sponsor the annual Break-the-Fast
- Participate in the Women’s Shabbaton
- Support programs that enrich Jewish life at Congregation Beth Tikvah

Have Fun!

Enjoy our engaging programs such as daytime and evening Mah Jongg, Canasta, dinners out, Book Club, creative craft programs, and special events!

No matter your age, stage of life, or previous involvement, we would love to welcome you. Join us as we build friendships, celebrate Jewish life, and make a difference — together.

Come for the programs. Stay for the friendships. Become a member of WBT today!



WOMEN OF BETH TIKVAH MISSION STATEMENT

Women of Beth Tikvah (WBT) is a collaboration of people at all stages of life. We welcome anyone who identifies as female, non-binary, or gender fluid. Our mission is to connect with each other through education, religious connection, philanthropy, support of Congregation Beth Tikvah, and creation of lifelong relationships, making our impact on the world stronger, generation to generation.

Connecting Women Across Generations.

YOUR Women OF BETH TIKVAH BOARD

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