

Anshe Sholom Synagogue

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Women Leadership Positions

- Women and men are equally eligible for all positions on the Board of Trustees, Executive Committee and as officers of the *shul*
- Women currently hold positions of vice president and treasurer
- Currently, two women serve on the Executive Committee

Women Speaking From The Amud

- Women and men both make announcements from the *amud* after *Adon Olam*

Women's Ritual Participation

- Women may recite *birkhat hagomel*
- The Torah is carried through the women's section

Kaddish

- Women may say *kaddish*

Women's Tefillah Group

- An independent WT from local Orthodox synagogues meets every other month in people's homes
- The Rabbi and synagogue support this WT, and provide the Torah for the *tefillah*

Life Cycle Events

- *Bat Mitzvahs*: Girls address the congregation from the *amud* with a *d'var Torah* after *Adon Olam*
 - Mother and father may also speak from the *amud* after *Adon Olam*

Holidays

- Simchat Torah: Women dance with the *Torah* during *hakafot*

Mechitzah Structure

- Women section is slightly raised on the sides of *shul*, separated by a *mechitzah*
- Equal number of seats for women and men
- Women have full view

Childcare

- Services oriented toward children every Shabbat and Yom Tov
- Children's programming on Shabbat and Yom Tov afternoons
- A youth director teaches and runs services and programs on Shabbat, Yom Tov, and weekends

Other

- Rabbi Rosenzweig is committed to enhancing women's participation within *halakcha*
- All synagogue classes are coed
- Rabbi Rosenzweig offers *chavruta* type study with individual women, men, and couples