

Anshei Sphard-Beth El Emeth

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Women in Leadership Positions

- Women may serve on the Board

Women Speaking From the Amud

- Women may speak from the *amud*

Women's Ritual Participation

- Women can reach the Torah when it is being passed around men's section
- Women may recite *birkhat hagomel*

Kaddish

- Women may say *kaddish*

Life Cycle Events

- Bat Mitzvah: After *davaning*, girls learn *mishna* with the Rabbi, and make a *siyyum* upon completion

Holididays

- Simchat Torah: Women dance in a separate circle with the Torah
- Shabbat: Women's Torah class, *seudah* for men and women, during *havdalah* – the *besamim* box is passed through women's section
- Rosh Chodesh: Class on women in *tanach*
- Other Holidays: Storytelling by women relevant to that holiday

Mechitzah Structure

- Women's section is raised on the sides of *shul*; men sit in center
- Full view

Other

- *Tzioni Kollel* women's *beit midrash*: *chavruta* learning