

Chesed Committee 2018

Linda Asmar and Ken Malley, Co-Chairs

Linda Asmar and Ken Malley assumed leadership of the Chesed Committee this past spring. Thanks to Marsha Wolfberg for helping to revitalize this important committee.

Chesed has been busy cooking and sharing meals, paying visits, and making phone calls to congregants in need of assistance. Additionally, in May, the Chesed Committee assisted in beginning a new program at The Emanuel on bereavement.

The program was formed as a response to a need perceived by Rabbi Small who had received several requests by congregants for support with their grief process. Utilizing some of the monies donated to the synagogue's Chesed fund, the committee was able to fund two evenings with Maria Sirois. A four-session learning and support group in partnership with Jewish Family Services for those who have experienced loss will begin on June 20th. The Committee hopes this group will serve Emanuel members and the entire community as individuals recover from the loss of a loved one.

Linda and Ken are grateful for the support of the community as the Chesed Committee gets started again to help the congregation.