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*Bruchim HaBa'im! Welcome!*

As rabbi of Beth Chaverim Reform Congregation in Ashburn, I am excited to be part of a wonderful congregational family! As a newcomer to the Temple, I am beyond thrilled to have the opportunity to be part of this vibrant and growing Union for Reform Judaism congregation in Loudon County.

**So what brought me here?** I was drawn to the warmth of our members, the partnership between rabbi and congregation, the desire for programming, the beauty of the North Virginia area, the proximity to Washington and the countryside, and the sacred commitment to building a spiritual home and a place of learning.

**What has brought you here?** I would love to meet with you, get to know you, and learn what attracted you to our synagogue. I would be delighted to discuss with you what ways you can partner with us to make this your second Jewish home. Please give me a call and make a time for us to get together and talk. I look forward to it!

**Learn with us! Pray with us! Play with us! Work beside us!** I am always pleased to meet with all members, create connections, and build community interconnections. Be integral to our congregational family. Join us for services. Attend our classes and programs. Become active in a group or committee. We welcome you and are energized by your presence here!

**Let us become part of your family.** Keep us in the loop on life-cycle events in your family or any of your needs for ritual, learning, rabbinic guidance, and counseling. We are here to support you and sustain you through the thrills and challenges of life. Keep us in the know on how our congregation can be meaningful for you. My door, our Beth Chaverim door, is open to you!

**And please join me in this prayer:** That we will have many fabulous years growing together and Beth Chaverim Reform Congregation will become a special place in the Jewish journey of all our lives!

*Shalom! Peace!*

Rabbi Linda Joseph