

# KEHILAT GESHER

– BECOME A PART  
OF OUR COMMUNITY

We are a growing community of over 150 families and are based both in Paris' 17th arrondissement and St Germain-en-Laye.

I'd like to:  become a member of Kehilat Geshher  
 get more information

Name .....

Address .....

Zip code .....City .....

Email .....

Telephone .....

I'd like to know about Kehilat Geshher events:

- Send me the *Passerelle*, Kehilat Geshher's news and information letter
- E-mail me invitations to Kehilat Geshher events and the Rabbi's presentation of the weekly parasha

I'd like to make a tax-deductible donation

Help us to continue to build a thriving liberal Jewish community. Tax-deductible donations in France can be made to Kehilat Geshher. Tax-deductible donations in the US can be made to Kehilat Geshher USA. Donations may also be made via our website: [www.kehilatgesher.org](http://www.kehilatgesher.org)

I'd like to get involved by

- joining a committee
- organizing a holiday celebration
- hosting an Oneg Shabbat
- Other: .....

# KEHILAT GESHER

– THE PROGRESSIVE BILINGUAL  
JEWISH SYNAGOGUE SERVING  
THE FRENCH AND ANGLOPHONE  
JEWISH COMMUNITY

COMMITTED TO...

The principle of inclusion. All are welcome to become a part of Knesset Yisrael, the indivisible collectivity of the Jewish people.

Connecting to a tradition that draws on the best of the past while addressing today's needs.

Equality of men and women  
in all areas of Jewish life.

Social justice through Tikkun Olam,  
"repairing the world".

**Kehilat Geshher**  
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Please send all written correspondence  
to St Germain-en-Laye

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**KEHILAT GESHER**

**The Progressive Bilingual Synagogue**

Serving the French and Anglophone  
Jewish Community

# KEHILAT GESHER

– A JEWISH COMMUNITY

AND A COMMUNITY OF JEWS

We are dedicated to **building bridges** between our **French** and **English**-speaking nationalities, our **Sephardic** and **Ashkenazi** heritages, and between observance and our daily lives. We share a love of Judaism and a desire to ensure that Judaism continues to thrive in France as a contemporary, vibrant community.

We are a **liberal, egalitarian congregation** dedicated to the promotion of Jewish values and education, and committed to openness and exchange. We provide an environment in which our community members' spiritual and social needs can be met.

We embrace **both Reform and Conservative tendencies**. We are one of the few congregations in France that accord men and women the same religious rights and responsibilities. Kehilat Geshher is the only synagogue that offers **all services in English, French and Hebrew**.

We believe you'll **feel at home at Kehilat Geshher**, the progressive, bilingual synagogue serving the French and Anglophone Jewish community in our Paris and St Germain-en-Laye locations.

# KEHILAT GESHER

– A PLACE TO GROW

THROUGH RICH  
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

## Children's Education

Shabbat Fun-Day for 3-6 year olds  
Talmud Torah for 7-11 year olds  
B'nei Mitzva (Bar/Bat Mitzva preparation)  
Post-B'nei Mitzva educational, social and cultural events.

## Adult Education

Basic Judaism  
Hebrew Ulpanim  
Lunch-n-Learn textual studies  
Adult Bar/Bat Mitzva  
Guemara studies  
Jewish History

## Evening Lecture Series

Current issues for Judaism in France  
"Hebrew Sparks" lectures by Yael Yotam

# KEHILAT GESHER

– A SYNAGOGUE

MEETING YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS

## Shabbat Services

Weekly Friday night and Saturday morning services in English, French and Hebrew.

## Holidays and Celebrations

Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Simhat Torah, Hanukah, Purim, Passover, Shavuot, and other festivals.

## Life Cycle Events

Brit mila/Brit leida  
Bar and Bat Mitzvas  
Weddings and Marriage Renewal ceremonies  
Funerals and Hashkavot



## Our Rabbi

Rabbi Tom Cohen is a native of Portland, Oregon and has been the spiritual leader of Kehilat Geshher since its founding. He holds a B.A and B.H.L in Jewish literature and studies from the University of Judaism in Los Angeles. He received his M.A in Hebrew literature and his Rabbinic Ordination in 1991 from the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York.

To find out more about Kehilat Geshher, programs, and events: [www.kehilatgesher.org](http://www.kehilatgesher.org)