Rabbi Zachary Shapiro

Rabbi Shapiro has been the spiritual leader of Temple Akiba in Culver City since 2006. Ordained from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) in Cincinnati, in 1997, Rabbi Shapiro’s mission in life is to bring goodness into the world. A musician and composer, Rabbi Shapiro has written liturgical folk music used around the country. His children's book, “We’re All in the Same Boat” (Putnam, 2009) is adored by children worldwide. He is a member of the Southern California Board of Rabbis, and he serves on the Board of Governors for the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion.

Ron Galperin

Ron Galperin serves as Controller of the City of Los Angeles. Ron has long been active in the Jewish community, as a former cantor for two decades in the L.A. area, and leading the Jewish Federation’s Fed Up With Hunger Campaign before his election. Married to Rabbi Zachary Shapiro, they are the proud fathers of Maya Ruth and Eli Noah.

Cantor Lonee Frailich

Cantor Lonee Frailich became Temple Akiba's first full-time Cantor in 2011. She fell in love with Jewish song and prayer listening to her father, Cantor Jay Frailich, every Friday night at Shabbat Services. A graduate of the University of California, Santa Barbara, she pursued her cantorial studies at the Academy for Jewish Religion.

Cantor Jay Frailich

Cantor Jay Frailich became University Synagogue's first Cantor Emeritus when he retired in June 2014 after actively serving the congregation for 40 years. He is a graduate of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion School of Sacred Music in New York. Fostering a sense of spirit, excitement, and appreciation for Jewish music and worship – he commissioned more than 30 major liturgical works and dozens of single pieces during his tenure.

Michael Kass

Michael Kass is a Los Angeles based facilitator, coach, and award-winning storyteller with over 15 years of experience working with nonprofits, healthcare, social impact organizations, art, culture, and education. This includes the Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles which discovers and harnesses the power of their stories to create change.

Craig Taubman

Craig Taubman has left an indelible imprint on the Jewish American experience through his original compositions, recorded music, and live performances. His songs bridge traditional Jewish themes and ancient teachings with passages and experiences from contemporary Jewish life. Inspired by the history, location, and spiritual energy of the Pico Union Project building, Craig is using his gift for creating community connections through music, worship, and the arts to build a new kind of community center based upon the principle to “love your neighbor as yourself.”

Program

Father's Day Remembrance Service
Sunday, June 21, 2020

Welcome
Rafael Ochoa, Senior Director - Hillside Memorial Park And Mortuary

Opening Remarks
Rabbi Zachary Shapiro, Temple Akiba & Ron Galperin

Introduction to Heal Us Now
Rabbi Shapiro

Heal Us Now
Cantor Lonee Frailich, Temple Akiba
Cantor Jay Frailich, University Synagogue

Psalm 23
Rabbi Shapiro

B’yado
Cantors Lonee and Jay Frailich

“Thoughts of My Dad”
Michael Kass

Shehechianu
Craig Taubman

“After My Death” - Chaim Bialik
Recited by Rabbi Shapiro

El Malei Rachamim
Cantor Lonee Frailich
Rabbi Shapiro - Translation

Mourner’s Kaddish

Kaddishel
Craig Taubman

Benediction
Rabbi Shapiro

“Faces of our Fathers” - Montage