VISION
Derekh will be a center for pluralistic, engaging learning, and transformational Jewish experiences.

MISSION
Through targeted programming, Derekh encourages participation in new ways, growing and expanding Jewish experiences within the five portals.

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU
Throughout this year we will be experimenting with new programs and activities, striving to meet your unique needs. We encourage you to reach out and tell us what you need, try something new, challenge yourself, and be a partner for this new project of Beth Shalom.

THE PORTALS
DEREKH HAS FIVE CATEGORIES, WHICH WE CALL PORTALS. THEY REPRESENT VARIOUS WAYS WE CAN EACH ENTER OUR TRADITION AND COMMUNITY.

Limmud: Jewish Learning
Inform, guide, and infuse, with a sense of the sacred, every aspect of our lives through Jewish Learning. Programs might include classes, speakers, and study groups.

Hezed: Acts of Kindness
Raise the level of awareness and dialogue to engage more people in our community in social action. Programs might include hospital visit groups, service trips, and inclusion work.

Eranut: Mindfulness
Offer alternative means to achieve spiritual reflection and personal growth through mindfulness work. Programs might include meditation classes and mutual support groups.

Tarbut: Culture
Provide enriching exposure to the vast culture of the Jewish civilization to inspire our community. Programs might include bringing in accomplished Jewish authors, musicians, and artists.

Eretz: Israel
Deepen our relationships not only with Israel and also with the cultural and spiritual connections it offers. Programs might include speakers, Israeli literature courses, and Hebrew language classes.