Rabbi Daniel Reichenbach

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Reform rabbi and Jewish educator with experience in educational leadership, worship, and pastoral care. Partner in leading KESHER, Larchmont Temple's K-7 religious school serving approximately 500 learners, with responsibilities spanning educator hiring and development, curriculum design, school operations, and family engagement. Bring more than twenty years of guitar and songleading experience to Jewish learning and communal worship.

EDUCATIONAL & CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Larchmont Temple | Larchmont, NY

Assistant KESHER Director and Music and Tefilah Specialist | July 2026 - Present

- Partner with the Director of KESHER and Lifelong Learning, clergy, and staff on educational vision, program planning, and daily school operations.
- Co-lead the redesign of the K-7 spiral curriculum so that Jewish text, Hebrew, values, and practice build progressively from one grade to the next.
- Recruit and hire educators collaboratively, plan and lead educator training, and mentor faculty as they implement the curriculum.
- Coordinate schedules, class placements, and program logistics; consult with educational leadership on budget decisions.
- Work with families and educators on individual learning plans and adapt teaching to support varied learning needs.
- Produce Chailights, the weekly KESHER family newsletter, bringing together educator updates, photographs, and program news.
- Created and lead a guitar and songleading elective within Shir Harmony, the grades 3-5 youth choir, building learners' musical skills and confidence to lead prayer.
- Plan family Shabbat experiences, holiday programs, and congregational events with clergy while continuing to lead music and tefillah.

Music & Education Specialist | August 2025 - July 2026

- Taught Jewish studies and Hebrew, including grades 4 and 6, and led music and tefillah for Pre-K through grade 7.
- Led Tot Shabbat, youth choirs, and Shabbat morning minyan; participated in Shabbat, festival, and High Holy Day worship alongside clergy.
- Supported b'nei mitzvah preparation and collaborated on writing and directing Purim shpiels.

PASTORAL CARE

NYU Langone Health | New York, NY

Chaplain Intern | June 2023 - May 2024

- Completed three units (1,200 hours) of Clinical Pastoral Education and provided spiritual care in more than 1,500 encounters with patients and families.
- Supported people facing illness, grief, trauma, and end-of-life decisions in collaboration with interdisciplinary care teams; led workshops for fellow chaplains on Judaism and pastoral care.

RABBINIC & EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Hevreh of Southern Berkshires | Great Barrington, MA

Rabbinic Intern | August 2021 - May 2023

• Prepared b'nei mitzvah learners and taught religious school classes from kindergarten through grade 12.

• Led Shabbat and holiday worship, preached, and taught adult Torah study.

• Designed holiday programs and led music and activities for the youth group.

Stephen Wise Free Synagogue | New York, NY

Judaic Studies Teacher & Teen Program Coordinator | September 2019 - May 2021

• Wrote and taught curricula on Jewish identity, ethics, social justice, and contemporary Jewish life.

• Coordinated teen programming, mentored learners, tracked their progress, and maintained communication with families.

NFTY in Israel | Israel

Unit Supervisor and Rosh Tefillah | Summer 2018

• Supervised more than 100 teens and staff during educational travel in Israel and led communal prayer.

EDUCATION

Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion
Rabbinic Ordination, 2024
M.A., Hebrew Literature, 2022
M.A., Religious Education, 2020

Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies
Experiential Educators Program, 2017

Clark University
B.A., Jewish Antiquity, cum laude, 2012

CREATIVE JEWISH EDUCATION

Reichenbach Family Archive: Founder of a public digital archive of German-Jewish family records, with a teaching guide connecting archival materials, family history, and Jewish memory.

VisualMidrash (@visualmidrash): Creator of Jewish text interpretations through visual art, including workshops.

Reddit Talmud: Creator of a digital learning project presenting Talmudic debates as accessible, dramatized discussion threads with links to original sources.

FELLOWSHIPS, SKILLS & SERVICE

Fellowships: Accepted to Amplify Israel, Cohort 4 (2026); JDC Entwine Weitzman Fellow.

Music & Hebrew: More than twenty years of guitar and songleading across Tot Shabbat, family tefillah, Shabbat and holiday worship, youth choirs, camps, and classrooms. Fluent Hebrew.

Service: Israel Defense Forces, Nahal Brigade, 2012-2014.