

CIC Passover Seder

Sunday April 13th 2025

4:00- 6:15 PM (note extended time)

Location: Our usual CIC location - United Churches - Social Hall

Dear Friends,

Let's celebrate together, in community! You are warmly invited to participate in this year's Passover Seder (ritual service). This wonderful Jewish celebration of liberation will be led by Hilarie Hauptman, Miriam Sterlin, Julie Waters, and Jodi Kline with support from Hal Spencer, Jo Curtz, and others.

The celebration will include songs, stories, and **a full meal**. We will incorporate many of our beloved CIC rituals like our welcome, a short children's time on the rug, and a version of candle lighting. But unlike our usual celebrations, this one will include sitting together and eating a meal as we learn the Passover story. There will be no additional potluck following the celebration.

Information about the Potluck

The celebration leaders *will provide* the following:

- The Seder Plates (with all the ritual foods)
- Matzo Ball Soup (Regular and Gluten Free)
- Charoset (A chopped apple dish that is a Passover tradition)

What should you bring?

- Please bring one of the following: a main dish, a hearty vegetable dish, a salad, or a dessert.
- Also, bring a bottle of wine, sparkling cider, or sparkling water for the toasts.
- Your own place setting, plates, bowls, napkins, silverware, drinking glasses (we will provide tablecloths.
- A candle and matches or lighter (optional)

Dietary Guidelines

Passover involves some important **dietary restrictions**.

- No leavened breads (no yeast, sourdough, or baking powder)
- No fermented foods
- No dairy
- No grains. This includes wheat, barley, rye, oats, and spelt.
- No Pork or Shellfish

What foods are OK?

Really, the sky's the limit. For tons of fun recipe suggestions visit [The Nosher](#).

- Matzo
- Fruits and Vegetables
- Meat and Fish
- Eggs
- Nuts

Most Everyone will need to bring a potluck dish and a beverage (either a bottle of wine OR a bottle of grape juice OR a bottle of sparkling water – whichever you'll be drinking).

Important note:

If bringing a potluck dish is a hardship, *please* come anyway. You are absolutely welcome!

Special Helpers:

We will need a handful of folks to help:

- Set-up crew (arrive at 3:00)
- Kitchen Crew to attend the potluck food (arrive at 3:45)
- Clean-up Crew (6:15 - 6:45)

RSVP: (by 4/6 if possible)

Sign up one of two ways.

- Fill out the sign-up sheet at celebration.
- Or contact Julie Waters through phone, text or email.
- Olywaters@comcast.net (360) 970-2197
- Include your name, how many adults and children will be attending, and if you can, which helping crew you can commit to.

Whether this is your first seder or attending a seder is an annual tradition we want you to know, this seder is for you. You are very warmly welcome!

Questions? Don't hesitate to reach out to Julie Waters (contact information above)

*With joy and excitement, your Passover Leaders,
Hilarie, Jodi, Julie, and Miriam*