How To Do An Oneg

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1. Oneg food items need to be purchased by the temple member responsible for their Friday Night Oneg. Items can be purchased on the Thursday prior to the Oneg or on that Friday at a grocery store. The food items can be put on platters in your home or when you get to Temple (Prince of Peach Church) on that Friday night. If someone wants to make items, that is fine. A nice addition is a fruit salad. An allotted amount of $50 can be spent, which includes whatever goodies that you choose and 1 challah (2 challahs on Pot Luck Shabbats). You will be reimbursed by sending the receipt to Libby Elkaim, Hevrat Shalom's Treasurer. Her contact information follows:

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Boyds, MD 20841

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2. Most Oneg items can be found in the cabinets in the hallway near the church's social hall. If your Oneg is coming up, please check the cabinets prior to that date when you attend a Friday Night Service to see what may need to be replenished.

3. Use the small plastic cups (shooter) for wine and grape juice. The serving trays for both of these beverages are probably on top of the cabinets and may be marked "Juice" and "Wine." A stool or chair may be needed to reach them.

4. Put the challah on a tray, which will be found either in the cabinets or on top of the cabinets and cover with the Challah cover.

5. If there is not a table cloth on the Oneg table, one can be found in the coat closet or a plastic one may be found in the hall cabinets. Also, if a table is not set up in the social area where we have our Onegs, you can get one from the social area near the kitchen.

6. Put out spoons, forks, hot and cold cups, napkins, and plates. There are a lot of these in many colors and patterns.

7. John (our helper) should have the coffee set up prepared on a rolling cart. If not, the coffeemaker can be found in the kitchen and will need to be filled with water and plugged in near the Oneg table. Coffee items (coffee and tea bags, sweet 'n low, sugar, creamer, hot cups, stirrers) are in our cabinets and should be placed on the rolling cart.

If this is not done, use a coffee maker in the kitchen to make hot water and bring it out after services. Be sure to unplug the coffee maker when you are done.

8. Cleaning up is relatively simple: share leftover food with others or you can take it home; shake out the tablecloth (put back in the coat closet if not too dirty, otherwise, take home to wash and bring back the next time you are at temple); unplug the coffeemaker and dump the hot water in kitchen sink; put all unused coffee items and paper/plastic items back in our hallway cabinets.

9. If there are a lot of crumbs, please use the carpet cleaner found in the hallway coat closet.

10. Locking the church is tricky. Please contact Steve Permison at sbpermison@yahoo.com so that you can be shown what you need to do to lock up if he is not going to be attending the Friday Night Service or Potluck Dinner for which you will be doing an Oneg.

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