



MISHKAN GA'AVAH: WHERE PRIDE DWELLS

A CELEBRATION OF LGBTQ
JEWISH LIFE AND RITUAL

ABOUT THE BOOK

This groundbreaking collection of LGBTQ prayers, poems, liturgy, and rituals is both a spiritual resource and a celebratory affirmation of Jewish diversity. Giving voice to the private and public sectors of the queer Jewish experience, *Mishkan Ga'avah: Where Pride Dwells* is also a commemoration of the 50th anniversary of both the Stonewall Riots and the first pride march, reflecting the longtime advocacy of the Reform Movement for full LGBTQ inclusion.



"*Mishkan Ga'avah* is a visionary guide to LGBTQ inclusion within the Jewish community. The Reform rabbinate has a long history of support for LGBTQ equality—due in part to Rabbi Eger's extraordinary leadership and LGBTQ advocacy in the Jewish and secular world—and it is an honor for CCAR to publish this foundational work. It is my hope that this book finds a sacred place in Jewish homes, synagogues, and in the hands and hearts of everyone in the LGBTQ community and in the Jewish community. We all need this book."

—Rabbi Hara Person, Chief Executive
Central Conference of American Rabbis

ABOUT RABBI DENISE L. EGER

A RENOWNED ACTIVIST AND LEADER, RABBI DENISE L. EGER HAS BEEN AT THE FOREFRONT OF THE FIGHT FOR LGBTQ EQUALITY FOR DECADES.

She is the founding rabbi of Congregation Kol Ami, West Hollywood's Reform Synagogue, and was the first openly LGBTQ President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. She was a founding President of the Lesbian, Gay, & Bisexual Interfaith Clergy Association and the first woman elected President of the Southern California Board of Rabbis. Rabbi Eger was instrumental in passing the March 2000 CCAR resolution in support of officiating gay and lesbian commitment ceremonies, co-authored the official Reform Movement gay and lesbian wedding liturgy, and officiated at the first legal wedding for a lesbian couple in California. In October 2011, the Equality Forum named her a GLBT Icon for her history of activism for Gay and Lesbian History Month. Rabbi Eger was honored by the City of Los Angeles as a Pioneer during Pride Month in 2014; and, most recently, was honored by the City of Los Angeles as a Woman Change Maker. Her writing has been featured in numerous prominent anthologies, and she has been covered extensively by Jewish, LGBTQ, and mainstream media.

RABBI EGER IS AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWS AND APPEARANCES FOR TELEVISION, RADIO, PODCASTS, NATIONAL AND LOCAL PUBLICATIONS, AND FOR SPEAKING EVENTS.