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לעמד לפני ה' לשרתו
...to stand in **בשמו**
the presence of Adonai;
to serve and give blessing
in God's Name...

– Deut. 10:8

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2017

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AJR's M.A. in Jewish Studies Program immerses students in our renowned pluralistic environment alongside rabbinical and cantorial students, training and preparing them to masterfully serve the 21st-century Jewish community. First- and second-career students are valued for their passion, their commitment, and their personal gifts. AJR rabbis and cantors are trained to work together as equal partners to:

- ▮ Lead dynamic, spiritually uplifting, meaningful religious services using the liturgy and *nusah* of all denominations
- ▮ Provide skillful, compassionate counseling
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- ▮ Incorporate spiritual practices, meditative techniques and sacred arts into their personal and communal prayer experiences
- ▮ Officiate at moving, beautiful Jewish life cycle ceremonies
- ▮ Guide congregations and organizations in their creation of supportive, spiritual, religious communities
- ▮ Embrace all Jews and their families regardless of religious affiliation, personal practice, sexual identity and gender identity

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