

# Rabbi Nehama Benmosche

## Machar

### Unorthodox Judaism

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Rabbi Nehama Benmosche has served the Jewish community across many movements for over 20 years, and currently serves as the rabbi of Machar: The Washington Congregation for Secular Humanistic Judaism. She started as a congregational rabbi at Am Haskalah in Bethlehem, PA and as a student rabbi at Kol HaNeshama in Sarasota, FL, West End Synagogue in New York, NY and Beth Israel in Woodbury, NJ. Prior to her graduation from the Reconstructionist Rabbinical college in 2010, she was a day school and synagogue school teacher in Atlanta, Georgia where she earned a bachelors and masters degree from Emory University. She is completing a doctorate in

Jewish education at the Jewish Theological Seminary with a focus on educating staff and campers of a Jewish summer camp about differences in sex, gender and sexuality. She serves as an educator, consultant and board member of the Interfaith Community, an organization for Jewish/Christian families supporting two faith households. She serves on the board of Keshet, an organization working for the full inclusion and equality of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender Jews in Jewish life. Her life of service to progressive Judaism holds a close second place to her family of four adopted children: Elie, Eliyashu, Ezra, Sima and her husband Terry.

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