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January

tevet shevat



| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | | | | NO CHAI SCHOOL | |
| | | | | | SHABBAT AT HOME | |
| | | | | | NEW YEAR'S DAY | Shemot |
| 3 22 tevet | 4 23 tevet | 5 24 tevet | 6 25 tevet | 7 26 tevet | 8 27 tevet | 28 tevet |
| (Church Rental 10-11 AM | - | HS | | MUSSAR | CHAI SCHOOL COMMUNITY DINNER | |
| 6-7 PM) | | | | ADULT HEBREW CLASS | SNS | |
| | | | | (Church Rental 6-7:30 PM) | | Va'era |
| 29 tevet | 1 shevat | 12 2 shevat | 13 3 shevat | 4 shevat | 15 5 shevat | 16 6 shevat |
| (Church Rental 10-11 AM | ' ' | HS | BOARD MEETING | MUSSAR | EDK WEEKEND AWAY | EDK WEEKEND |
| 6-7 PM) | | | | ADULT HEBREW CLASS | NO CHAI SCHOOL | |
| | ROSH CHODESH | | | | FNL | Во |
| 17 7 shevat | 18 8 shevat | 9 shevat | 20 10 shevat | 21 11 shevat | 22 12 shevat | 23 13 shevat |
| EDK WEEKEND | EDK WEEKEND | HS | | MUSSAR | CHAI SCHOOL | ADULT ED MOVIE NIGHT |
| (Church Rental 10-11 AM | INTERFAITH SOCIAL GATHERING | | | LORDS TABLE ADULT HEBREW CLASS | COMMUNITY DINNER SNS | - DEFIANCE |
| 6-7 PM) | MARTIN LUTHER KING | | | (Church Rental 6-7:30 PM) | | Beshallach |
| 14 shevat | 15 shevat | 26 16 shevat | 27 17 shevat | 18 shevat | 20 19 shevat | SHABBAT SHIRAH 20 shevat |
| (Church Rental | 25 | HS | | MUSSAR | CHAI SCHOOL | |
| 10-11 AM 21 shevat | | EMETH READS | | ADULT HEBREW CLASS | FNL | |
| (Church Rental | | | | | | |
| 10-11 Δ· 6-7 PM) | TU B'SHEVAT | | | | | Yitro |

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February

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| | 22 shevat | 23 shevat | 3 24 shevat | 4 25 shevat MUSSAR ADULT HEBREW CLASS (Church Rental 6-7:30 PM) | 5 26 shevat CHAI SCHOOL COMMUNITY DINNER SNS | SISTERHOOD MOVIE OR OUTING? |
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| 14 (Church Rental 10-11 AM 6-7 PM) | 15 6 adar I | 16 NO HS | 17 8 adar I | 18 MUSSAR LORDS TABLE (Church Rental 6-7:30 PM) | 19 10 adar I | Tetzaveh |
| 21 (Church Rental 10-11 AM 6-7 PM) | 22 13 adar I | HS 14 adar I | 15 adar I | MUSSAR | 26 CHAI SCHOOL COMMUNITY DINNER SNS | 27 18 adar I |
| 28 EDK CLASS (Church Rental 10-11 AM 6-7 PM) | 29 20 adar I | | | | | |



Shabbat Information for the Month of January 2016

Shabbat Shemot

January 1-2

21 Tevet

Shemot (Exodus) 1:1-6:1 Friday evening candle lighting: 4:42 Saturday night Havdallah: 5:43

Shabbat at Home

Shabbat Va'eira

January 8-9

28 Tevet

Shemot (Exodus) 6:2-9:35
Friday evening candle lighting: 4:48
Saturday night Havdallah: 5:49

Community Dinner 6:30 PM
Shabbat Short 'N Sweet Service
7:15 PM

Shabbat Bo

January 15-16

6 Shevat

Shemot (Exodus) 10:1-13:16 Friday evening candle lighting: 4:55 Saturday night Havdallah: 5:56

Friday Night Live Service, 7:15 PM
Services led by participants in our Teen Retreat
to Jewish San Francisco.
Rabbi Israel, Rabbi Jay Sherwood, Temple
Emanu El, the Redlands,

and teen participants from both communities!

Shabbat Beshalach

January 22-23

13 Shevat

Shemot (Exodus) 13:17-17:16 Friday evening candle lighting: 5:02 Saturday night Havdallah: 6:02

Community Dinner 6:30 PM
Shabbat Short 'N Sweet Service
7:15 PM

Shabbat Yitro

January 29-30

20 Shevat

Shemot (Exodus) 18:1-20:23 Friday evening candle lighting: 5:10 Saturday night Havdallah: 6:10

Friday Night Live 7:15 PM Angela Gold, Cantorial Soloist





Descriptions of Emeth Services

All evening services begin at 7:15 pm. All morning services begin at 10:00 am.

*Shabbat Morning Service/TNT Torah 'N T'filah: This service includes reading the weekly Torah portion and a sermon or teaching from the Rabbi. It is a complete Shabbat service.

*Friday Night Live: This Erev Shabbat (Friday evening) service highlights the music of Shabbat. It is a full Shabbat service (no Torah service) with a sermon or teaching from the Rabbi.

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January Children & Youth Education Programs

Tuesday Programs

January 5, 12, 19, 26

Hebrew School

4:30 -6:00 PM Classroom time

Friday Programs

January 8, 22, 29

Chai School

4:30-6:30 PM Class

Classroom time

Teen Programs

January 15-18

Emet Dor Kef (The Fun Generation)

Jewish San Francisco weekend!

For education program information, please contact Debbie Zajac at admin@emeth.net or (408) 778-8200



South Valley Interfaith Social Gathering

"Standing Together in Friendship"
Monday, January 18
in honor of Martin Luther King Day
7:30 pm



at Advent-Lutheran Church 16870 Murphy Ave, Morgan Hill

A little bit of praying, a lot of socializing.

Dessert Contributions appreciated!



Congregation Emeth is committed to helping feed the needy on the third Thursday of each month

from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Lord's Table

St. Mary Catholic Parish

11 First Street, Gilroy

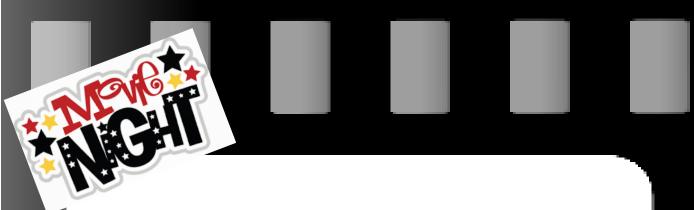




Children accompanied by parents are welcome!

For more information, contact Sandra Jackson

at oursash@yahoo.com



Congregation Emeth Adult Education Movie Night

"Defiance", starring Daniel Craig

Where: Congregation Emeth

When: Saturday, January 23 at 7:00 P.M. (we should end around 10 P.M.)

Who: The movie is appropriate for all adults and mature teens (Rated R)

Why: To learn about this extraordinary story and participate in a discussion after the viewing of the film.

Drinks and popcorn will be provided!

Brief synopsis of the film.

Daniel Craig (James Bond: Quantum of Solace) stars as Tuvia Bielski, an ordinary citizen turned hero, in this action-packed epic of family, honor, vengeance and salvation. Defiance is a riveting adventure that showcases the extraordinary true story of the Bielski brothers, simple farmers -outnumbered and outgunned- who turned a group of war refugees into powerful freedom fighters. Tuvia, along with his unyielding brother, Zus (Liev Schreiber, X-Men Origins: Wolverine), motivate hundreds of civilians to join their ranks against the Nazi regime. Their inspirational story is a true testament to the human spirit. *David Densby, The New Yorker

The film is based on a book of the same title by Nechama Tec, in case you'd be interested in reading the book prior to seeing the film. (Be sure to order it at https://smile.amazon.com/ so that Emeth will receive a portion of the purchase price!)

For more information or to RSVP (by January 15, please!):

Jackie at jstevens4@charter.net.









SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP

Select from life cycle greeting cards, ritual items, gifts, jewelry and more

OPEN ON

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23

For Movie Night (see separate flyer)

Questions – contact Patty at (408) 842-6876 or pbaggese@garlic.com

Come on by and SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP!



Please join us for the next

"Great Reads With a JeWish TheMe" Tuesday, January 26 7:00 PM



The book to be discussed is

Uncovered: How I Left Hasidic Life
and Finally Came Home
by Leah Lax

Including a skype session with the author, who is a friend of Rabbi Israel's!

All are welcome to join in this discussion, even if you have read none or only part of the book!

If you are purchasing the book, remember to do it through <u>Amazon Smile</u> so that Emeth will receive a portion of the proceeds!

RSVP to Susan Meyers via email smeyers.sjsu@gmail.com or call 408-842-8149

Dear Friends,

Times of crisis, distress, and violence too often expose our deeply held fears. People of faith share much in common: a desire for a peaceful world, respect for one another, and a commitment to strive collaboratively to advance social justice and the common good. Current attempts to isolate and demonize our Muslim sisters and brothers violate the foundation of our shared beliefs.

As an interfaith community, we must name and address the fears held by many Americans which place an undue threat and burden on our Muslim neighbors. Any words of bigotry, prejudice, narrow-mindedness, and racial or religious intolerance bring shame to us and our community. We must renew our commitment to seek more effective ways to protect and defend one another from words and actions that assault the safety, well-being, and dignity of groups and individuals.

The global refugee crisis and the acts of terror committed in this country and around the world demand our collective efforts and common prayers. Therefore, we will seek to stand shoulder to shoulder as agents of peace, justice, welcome, and reconciliation. In our effort to denounce that which divides us, we plead for the spread of love and friendship among all our people.

Imam Ilyas Anwar South Valley Islamic Community

Rev. Dawn Boyd Gilroy United Methodist Church

Rev. Robert S. Brocato St. Mary Catholic Church, Gilroy

Jan Bernstein Chargin South Valley Unitarian Fellowship

Fr. Phillip Cooke, St. John the Divine Episcopal Church, Morgan Hill

Rev. Patrick E. Davis Morgan Hill United Methodist Church

Msgr. Jerónimo Gutierrez St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church, Morgan Hill

Rev. Ronald E. Koch Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Gilroy Bishop Soren Koldewyn Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Morgan Hill

Rabbi Debbie Israel Congregation Emeth, South Valley Jewish Community

Father José Antonio Rubio St. Mary Catholic Church, Gilroy

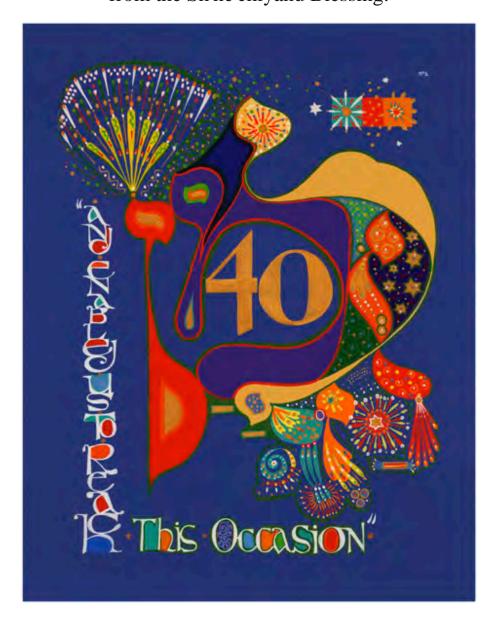
Rev. Dennis Tarr Morgan Hill Presbyterian Church

Rev. Lee Tyler Advent Lutheran Church, Morgan Hill

Rev. Anita R. Warner Advent Lutheran Church, Morgan Hill

Pandit Ganesh Shasthry Silicon Valley Hindu Temple San Jose/San Martin

Lazmahn (This Time) by Mordecai Rosenstein "...enabled us to reach this occasion" from the Sh'he'chiyanu Blessing.



This beautiful piece of art is available for purchase in honor of Congregation Emeth's 40th anniversary. The well-known artist also created the "LAKOACH" (At Full Strength) art in celebration of our 30th anniversary. The glicee print will be on display in the temple sanctuary.

Framed piece is \$350; unframed is \$275, plus \$35 shipping and handling. The artist will donate a portion of each purchase to Congregation Emeth.

For further information, contact Susan Braun, gkdragon2000@gmail.com. Payment in full can be sent to Congregation Emeth, 17835 Monterey St, Morgan Hill, CA 95037-3615, with "anniversary art" in the subject line.



SHABBAT HOSTS NEEDED

For the coming year!

January 15 ⁽²⁾ - Fernandez

January 29 (3) -

Baggese

February 20 (2) -

Fernandez

March 12 (2)
March 18 (6)

April 16 ⁽²⁾ – Fernandez April 23 ⁽⁷⁾ – Dubin-*G*latt

April 29 (3) - Mandel

May 14 (2)) - Cidon

June 11 (2)

June 17 (3) - Weyl

Please select at least one Shabbat service when your family will be the designated hosts.

The Shabbat hosts provide challah and flowers and time before and after the service for setup and cleanup. Why not select a special occasion (for example, anniversary and/or birthday) to host and celebrate with your Emeth family?

Send your preference of date(s) to Debbie Zajac admin@emeth.net or (408) 778-8200



- Notes:(1) Erev Shabbat Service
 - (2) TNT (Torah 'N Tefilah) Morning Service
 - (3) FNL Shabbat Service
 - (4) TNT Shabbat in the Redwoods
 - (5) Shabbat Potluck Dinner
 - (6) Purim Carnival and BBQ
 - (7) Community Seder



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*Friday Night Live: This Erev Shabbat (Friday evening) service highlights Kabbalat Shabbat, the introductory prayers. This is a high energy, musical, abbreviated service appropriate for children of all ages as well as adults. It is part of the Religious School curriculum. Prayers for healing and Mourners Kaddish are included. It is preceded by a potluck dinner with Shabbat rituals.

*TNT - Torah 'N T'filah: This Erev Shabbat (Friday evening) service includes reading the weekly Torah portion and a sermon. It is a complete Shabbat service.

*Erev Shabbat Services: Complete Friday evening services, without a Torah service.

*Shabbat at Home: On certain weekends during the year, Congregation Emeth does not have community Shabbat services. Resources are available from the Congregation to facilitate a meaningful Shabbat dinner and Torah discussion in your home.

*Shabbat Morning Service: A traditional Shabbat morning service with Torah and Haftarah readings, and Kiddush lunch to follow. Attire is synagogue traditional (business casual to semi-formal).

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

NOVEMBER 2015

(donations received after November 30 will be acknowledged in the February flyers)

Donations to Congregation Emeth are gratefully accepted. Our membership contributions cover only the minimum annual expenses, not the full costs of running a synagogue. Additional gifts are always needed to help keep our activities going.

Donations of money can be by either check or credit card. Donations can also be made in other forms such as property or securities (like appreciated stocks). All are of course tax deductible. Donation information and a form can be found on our website: http://www.emeth.net/images/PDFs/forms/donation_form.pdf

ALLEN WISOTSKY EDUCATION FUND

The Scholarship Fund assists the children in our Beit Sefer (religious schools) with need-based tuition scholarships.

Lindy Wisostsky

In memory of Marcia Reid In honor of Mona & Fred Oken's 35th anniversary

BETTY MEYER CAMPERSHIP FUND

Reform Jewish summer camps and trips to Israel are valuable means for children to reinforce their Jewish identity. Your contribution will help a student attend who might not otherwise have this opportunity.

Marilyn & Barry Freund

In memory of Merion Freund and Rose Freund In memory of Rose Lee Weyl

Patty & Jim Baggese

Speedy recovery for Cathy Silverstein Speedy recovery for Peter Mandel In memory of Terry Thowdis In memory of Rose Lee Weyl

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Andrea & Chad Oberquell, capital campaign donation Kathy & Rick Coencas, capital campaign donation Lindy Wisotsky, capital campaign donation MariaElena & Aaron Jarson, capital campaign donation Nona & Jack Sheff, capital campaign donation Sandra & Geoff Jackson, capital campaign donation Sheryl & Rich Pupko, capital campaign donation Susan Meyers & Michael Oshan In memory of Terry Thowdis

In memory of Rose Lee Weyl

Donna & Mel Weisblatt, capital campaign bimah donation

Joan Meyer, capital campaign donation

Maureen Chassy, capital campaign playground donation in memory of Joel Chassy

GENERAL FUND

Contributions to this fund offset everyday operating expenses for religious school, adult education, youth activity, ritual, programming, etc. thus keeping dues and tuition lower.

Barbara Yazman & Paul Crompton, United Way donation Catherine & Joel Levine, in memory of Henry Levine

HIGH HOLIDAY DONATION

Our High Holiday liturgy reminds us that we have the power and obligation to make a positive different in the world by performing acts of tzedakah, righteousness. Your contribution to High Holiday donations will help enhance our vibrant congregation in the ongoing work of our Rabbi, our educational programs, and maintenance of our sanctuary.

Bernice & Charles Alaniz, High Holiday donation

SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood assists with special holiday receptions, develops a booklet to assist families with upcoming bar/bat mitzvah celebrations, offers programs to the women of Congregation Emeth, and provides philanthropic support to a variety of causes. Donations help fund each year's programs.

Marilyn & Barry Freund
In memory of Marian Shapiro
Speedy recovery for Madelyn Berstein

YOUTH GROUP (EMET DOR KEF)

Emet Dor Kef members annually participate in both a retreat and a field trip to Jewish Los Angeles. The teens work hard to raise funds to cover expenses for these special events, but your additional support will make a difference.

Donna & Mel Weisblatt, youth group donation

ADDITIONAL DONATION OPPORTUNITIES

ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE - Donations to Adult Education support the creation of programs and courses of studies geared for adults. Annual mainstays for this program include adult Hebrew classes, Shabbat in the Redwoods Scholar in Resident, the Adult B'nai Mitzvah program, lectures and films.

AUTOMOBILE DONATION

BEIT SEIFER SCHOLARSHIP FUND - The Scholarship Fund assists the children in our Beit Sefer, religious schools, with need-based tuition scholarships.

BIMAH FUND

BUILDING FUND

We have owned our own building since 2008. Your contribution will support physical improvements to the building and/or will help us pay down our mortgage. We also issue bonds to members and friends of Emeth. For more information about our Emeth bonds, please contact our president, president@emeth.net.

CEMETERY FUND - We maintain a Jewish section of a local cemetery. Your donation will go toward upkeep of the cemetery.

COMMUNITY DINNER DONATIONS

Part of Emeth's culture is coming together for a Shabbat potluck or community dinner twice a month, prior to Shabbat Short 'N Sweet services. Your contribution enables us to continue this community building.

HIGH HOLIDAY MACHZOR

KARI MUNOWITCH MEMORIAL

LIBRARY FUND - This fund helps maintain our library and enables us to purchase new books for children and adults.

LORD'S TABLE

OUTREACH

PLAYGROUND

PRAYER BOOK

This fund purchases new worship materials, including our Shabbat prayerbook, <u>Mishkan T'fila</u> and the new Reform High Holiday Machzor.

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

This fund enables our Rabbi to make donations to people in need, arrange for programs that she deems worthy, and contribute to other charitable causes she wishes to support. The fund is never used for the Rabbi's personal benefit.

RACHAMIM FUND

Funds and defrays costs for our loving support of members by providing meals and other services for families in need, including new parents, members who are ill, and members who have sustained a loss of a loved one.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Funds programs and equipment for the Religious School, helping to offset expenses not covered by school tuition

RITUAL FUND - Provides funding for cantorial soloists, purchasing supplies to build our Sukkah, and offering special holiday programs, such as our Purim carnival and Chanukah community celebration.

SOCIAL ACTION

This committee supports a broad range of activities to help enable congregants to repair the world including serving a monthly meal at the Lord's Table for the homeless.

SPECIAL EVENTS

TORAH FUND

Congregation Emeth has two Torahs. Funds are occasionally needed for repairs to our sacred scrolls.

WINE EVENT DONATION