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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 12 nisan	2 13 nisan MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30 SEARCH FOR CHAMETZ	3 14 nisan NO CHAI SCHOOL FIRST SEDER	4 15 nisan PASSEOVER
5 16 nisan PASSEOVER EASTER	6 17 nisan INTERMEDIATE DAY	7 18 nisan NO HEBREW SCHOOL INTERMEDIATE DAY	8 19 nisan INTERMEDIATE DAY	9 20 nisan MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30 SISTERHOOD'S WOMEN'S SEDER INTERMEDIATE DAY	10 21 nisan NO CHAI SCHOOL PASSEOVER	11 22 nisan TNT PASSEOVER YIZKOR
12 23 nisan	13 24 nisan	14 25 nisan HEBREW SCHOOL	15 26 nisan EMET DOR KEF SILICON VALLEY YOM HASHOAH PROGRAM	16 27 nisan MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30 BOARD MEETING LORD'S TABLE YOM HASHOAH	17 28 nisan CHAI SCHOOL COMMUNITY DINNER SNS	18 29 nisan Shemini
19 30 nisan ROSH CHODESH	20 1 iyar ROSH CHODESH	21 2 iyar HEBREW SCHOOL	22 3 iyar YOM HAZIKARON OBSERVED	23 4 iyar MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30 YOM HAATZMA'UT OBSERVED	24 5 iyar CHAI SCHOOL FNL Israeli Independence observed	25 6 iyar Tazria-Metzora
26 7 iyar EDK HOSTS ACHACHE BABY NAMING	27 8 iyar	28 9 iyar HEBREW SCHOOL	29 10 iyar EMET DOR KEF	30 11 iyar MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30		

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					1 12 iyar  CHAI SCHOOL COMMUNITY DINNER SNS	2 13 iyar  <i>Acharei Mot-Kedoshim</i>
3 14 iyar TOWN HALL MEETING BRUNCH ELECTIONS	4 15 iyar	5 16 iyar HEBREW SCHOOL	6 17 iyar MAHJ TOURNAMENT	7 18 iyar MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30 LAG BA'OMER	8 19 iyar  CHAI SCHOOL	9 20 iyar  SHABBAT IN THE REDWOODS - TNT <i>Emor</i>
10 21 iyar MOTHERS DAY	11 22 iyar	12 23 iyar HEBREW SCHOOL EMETH READS	13 24 iyar	14 25 iyar MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30 BOARD MEETING	15 26 iyar  LAST DAY CHAI SCHOOL - MACCABIAD BBQ SNS EDK OVERNIGHT	16 27 iyar  <i>Behar-Bechukotai</i>
17 28 iyar Family Beach Day YOM YERUSHALAYIM	18 29 iyar	19 1 sivan LAST DAY HEBREW SCHOOL ROSH CHODESH	20 2 sivan	21 3 sivan MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30 LORD'S TABLE	22 4 sivan 	23 5 sivan  VALENTINE BAR MITZVAH <i>Bemidbar</i> EREV SHAVUOT
24 6 sivan  SHAVUOT	25 7 sivan SHAVUOT YIZKOR MEMORIAL DAY	26 8 sivan	27 9 sivan	28 10 sivan MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30	29 11 sivan  FNL INSTALLATION	30 12 sivan  <i>Naso</i>
31 13 sivan						



Shabbat Information for the Month of April, 2015

Shabbat Pesach

April 3-4 15 Nisan

Shemot (Exodus) 12:21-12:51

Friday evening candle lighting: 7:13

Saturday night Havdallah: 8:11

Shabbat & Seder at Home

Shabbat Yizkor

April 10-11 22 Nisan

Shemot (Exodus) 13:17-15:26

Friday evening candle lighting: 7:19

Saturday night Havdallah: 8:18

Shabbat Morning Service

- 10:00 AM

Mark Levy, Cantorial Soloist

Shabbat Shemini

April 17-18 29 Nisan

Vayikra (Leviticus) 9:1-11:47

Friday evening candle lighting: 7:25

Saturday night Havdallah: 8:25

Community Dinner 6:30 PM

Shabbat Short 'N Sweet 7:15 PM

Shabbat Tazria-Metzora

April 24-25 6 Iyar

Torah portion: Tzav

Vayikra (Leviticus) 12:1-15:33

Friday evening candle lighting: 7:31

Saturday night Havdallah: 8:32

Friday Night Live 7:15 PM

Israeli Independence Day Observed

Mark Levy, 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.

***Shabbat Short 'N Sweet:** An informal short Erev Shabbat (Friday evening) service. Learn the meaning of the prayers and discuss the Torah portion of the week. Rabbi led, this service is especially 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 community dinner with Shabbat rituals.

***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.





April Children & Youth Education Programs

Tuesday Programs

April 14, 21, 28

Hebrew School

4:00 -6:00 PM Classroom time

Wednesday Programs

April 15*, 29

***EDK "Funeral" at Emeth cemetery**

Emet Dor Kef (The Fun Generation)

7:00-8:30 PM Classroom time

Friday Programs

April 17, 24

Chai School

5:00 - 6:30 PM Classroom time

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





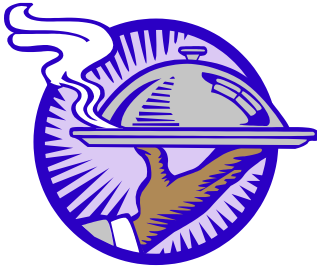
Congregation Emeth is committed to helping feed the needy
on the third Thursday of each month

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

Lord's Table

St. Mary Catholic Parish

11 First Street, Gilroy



Our next date is: **April 16**

Children accompanied by parents are welcome!

For more information, contact Sandra Jackson

at oursash@yahoo.com



Invites you to attend

Baby Naming Sunday, April 26

The entire congregation
is invited to share in the joy of the birth of
Enki Achache,
daughter of Jim and Suzana Achache



Baby naming will take place at 2:00 PM in the Congregation Emeth social hall, followed by a sweet dessert reception.

Contributions to the reception will be appreciated.

Hosted by Emet Dor Kef, as part of its Jewish Life Cycles study class.
Rabbi Israel will not only be giving Enki her Hebrew name but will also be explaining the brit milah (baby boys) and bat brit (baby girls) naming ceremony.

Congregation Emeth Brunch and Annual Town Hall Meeting Sunday, May 3 10:00 AM

Agenda:

Elections to the Board of Directors

Brief Review of Past Year and Plans for 2015-2016

Presentation of the Tree of Life Award





Shabbat-in-the-Redwoods

Saturday, May 9

Mt. Madonna County Park / Redwood Grove
(See attached directions and park information)

10:30 am – 12:00 pm Shabbat Service

12:00 – 12:45 pm Family picnic (Bring your own food & a dessert to share)

12:45 pm - 2:15 pm Musical Study Session led by Musician/Composer Lior Ben Hur

With the beauty of Mt. Madonna Park surrounding us,
Rabbi Israel and Angela Gold will lead us in a Shabbat service.

Lior Ben-Hur is a performing artist, music composer and award-winning educator born and raised in Jerusalem, Israel. For the last ten years his home base has been San Francisco, where he has been teaching music, Hebrew and Jewish identity classes at several Bay Area schools and congregations, emphasizing the importance of music in education.



Lior taught the students in our Chai School before the Craig Taubman service, mesmerizing students of all ages. He easily interacted with our preschool children as well as our teens. During the service he had adults and children alike totally engaged. We are bringing Lior back for an uplifting Shabbat in the Redwoods program for children and adults alike!



SHABBAT IN THE REDWOODS

PARK INFORMATION

Mt. Madonna County Park
7850 Pole Line Rd
Watsonville, CA 95076

(408) 842-2341
parkinfo@prk.sccgov.org

There will be a, \$8.00 fee to enter the park.

This year we invite all congregants and their families to spend Shabbat with us on Friday night, May 8th as well as joining us for our Saturday program on May 9th . After a brief Shabbat service at 6:00 pm, we will share a potluck dinner in the woods. Camping overnight is encouraged, but not necessary to join us for Shabbat. The brief Shabbat service and meal will be held at Yurt site #132. For those who would like to camp together, the following tent sites are available (at the time this document was printed) and located in the Mt. Madonna Valley View #1 Campground near Yurt site #132.

Closest tent sites: 126N, 127N, 129N, 133N, 136N
Next closest tent sites: 120N, 121N, 122N, 123N

See the following website for a map of the park.

<http://www.sccgov.org/sites/parks/parkfinder/Documents/MtMadonnaGuideMap.pdf>

The park is located on Highway 152 (Hecker Pass Highway), ten miles west of Gilroy. From the east, use Highway 101, and take the Highway 152 West exit. From the west, use Highway 1, and take the Highway 152 East exit. The entrance to the park is located at the summit of Highway 152 at Pole Line Road.

Once you enter the park, follow Pole Line Road past the guard house & up the hill. Stay to the left on Pole Line Road & continue past the Manzanita Group Camp. You will see the Tan Oaks area on the right & shortly after that, make a left turn onto a small dirt road by the sign that says, "Redwood Grove." Travel just a little ways & you will see a parking area on the left by the Redwood Grove picnic area.

Congregation Emeth supports St. Joseph's Church by serving meals the third Thursday of every month and preparing and serving food on Christmas Day, but St. Joseph has ongoing needs and we encourage you to help if you can. You can bring your donations to the temple and put them in the appropriate bin in the social hall.

St. Joseph's Ongoing Needs:

- **Food Items (year-round)**
 - Non-perishable snack and lunch items (small pop-top containers of meat, fruit, healthy snacks, bottled water, juice, etc)
 - fresh fruits and vegetables
 - canned food
 - unprepared meats and other food items
- **Supplies and Sundries (year-round):**
 - diapers (all sizes, especially 4, 5 & 6)
 - grocery bags (recycled paper and plastic)
 - Ziploc bags (all sizes)
 - egg cartons
 - new infant toys, sundries and clothing (sizes newborn to 2T)
 - men's socks
 - small hygiene kits
 - new sleeping bags and blankets
- **Holiday Donations (October-December):**
 - frozen turkeys
 - frozen hams
 - flour
 - salt
 - sugar
 - cooking oil
 - cranberry sauce
 - canned yams
 - fresh fruits and vegetables
 - stuffing
 - other miscellaneous non-prepared food items



Monetary Donations are tax deductible and used for bus passes, meals and housing.



High Holiday Machzor Dedication Opportunity

Congregation Emeth is taking dedications for our new Machzorim (prayer books for the High Holidays.).

This is a wonderful way to honor an accomplishment of a friend or loved one, celebrate a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, or in memory of those we have lost. The donation for each dedication is \$40, which will provide book plates in the High Holiday Machzors.

Please fill out the form below, and mail it with your check made out to
Congregation Emeth to :

Marby Lee
Attn: Machzor Dedication
15850 La Prenda Ct.
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Please indicate on the notation line that it is for Machzor Dedication. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Marby Lee at 408-779-2824 or marbles@garlic.com.

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Phone _____

Please make your check out to
“Congregation Emeth” and indicate
that is it for a Machzor Dedication.

Thank you!

☐ In Honor of _____
☐ In Memory of _____

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

FEBRUARY 2014

(donations received after February 28 will be acknowledged in the May 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

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.

Kathy & Rick Coencas, in honor of Becky & Andre Neto vow renewal
Sheryl & Rick Pupko, in honor of Becky & Andre Neto vow renewal
Terry Jo & Mark Falcon, general fund donation
Tracy & Scott Valentine, in honor of Becky & Andre Neto vow renewal

ALLEN WISOTSKY EDUCATION FUND

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

Becky & Andre Neto
 in honor of Denise Weyl for signing ketubah
 in honor of Rick Coencas for signing ketubah
Susan Meyers & Michael Oshan, in honor of Becky & Andre Neto vow renewal

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.

Becky & Andre Neto
 in honor of Rabbi Israel
 in honor of Elizabeth Mandel for taking photos at vow renewal
 in honor of Arthur Rudin for videotaping at vow renewal
Kathy & Rick Coencas, Craig Taubman Shabbat donation
Nona & Jack Sheff, in honor of Becky & Andre Neto vow renewal

BETTY MEYER CAMBERSHIP 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.

Becky & Andre Neto
 in honor of Quinn Neto
 in honor of Rachel Summer Neto
 in honor of Robert Murphy holding chuppah
 in honor of Adrienne South holding chuppah

Marilyn & Barry Freund,
in honor of Becky & Andre Neto vow renewal
in honor of Jerry Dubin's recovery
in honor of Janice Frank
in honor of Natalie Abmont's recovery

HIGH HOLIDAY MACHZOR

Jan & Jack Shorr, Machzor donation

LORD'S TABLE

Kathy & Rick Coencas, Lord's Table donation

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.

Becky & Andre Neto, in honor of EDK parents and students
Nona & Jack Sheff, 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.*

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 DONATION

Our High Holiday liturgy reminds us that we have the power and obligation to make a positive difference 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.

KARI MUNOWITCH MEMORIAL

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

OUTREACH

PRAYER BOOK

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

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.*

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.

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