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December

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January

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tevet shevat



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Shabbat Information for the Month of December, 2014

Shabbat Vayishlach

December 5-6

14 Kislev

Bereishit (Genesis) 32:4-36:43 Friday evening candle lighting: 4:31 Saturday night Havdallah: 5:32

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

Shabbat Vayeshev

December 12-13

21 Kislev

Bereishit (Genesis) 37:1-40:23 Friday evening candle lighting: 4:32 Saturday night Havdallah: 5:33

TNT - Saturday 10:00 AM Jonathan Marx, Cantorial Soloist



Shabbat Mikeitz

December 19-20

28 Kislev

Bereishit (Genesis) 41:1-44:17 Friday evening candle lighting: 4:34 Saturday night Havdallah: 5:35

Community Chanukah Party, Candlelighting & Latke Potluck Dinner 6:00 PM

Downtown Public Candle Lighting 7:30 PM

Angela Gold, Cantorial Soloist

Shabbat Vayigash

December 26-27

5 Tevet

Bereishit (Genesis) 44:18-47:27 Friday evening candle lighting: 4:38 Saturday night Havdallah: 5:39

Friday Night Live 7:15 PM Hana Cidon, 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.

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December Children & Youth Education Programs

<u>Tuesday Programs</u>

December 2, 9, 16

Hebrew School

4:00 -6:00 PM Classroom time

Wednesday Programs

December 17

Emet Dor Kef (The Fun Generation)

7:30-9:00 PM Classroom time

December 13 - Pancake Breakast Fundraiser December 17 - Chanukah Party!

<u>Friday Programs</u>

December 5, 12, 19

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





Jewish Family Services of Silicon Valley

Embrace-A-Family This Hanukkah

Pick a dreidel tag

At Congregation Emeth

Bring your gift and dreidel tag

Back to Congregation Emeth

From November 13 to December 18

... And put a large smile on someone's face!

Thank you for your support.

Any questions? Contact Lori Cinnamon
At 408.357.7467 or loric@ifssv.org











SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP

Just in time for Chanukah!

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

OPEN ON

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5 and 19

4:45 - 6:30 P.M.

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

Come on by and SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP!





Sisterhood Chanukah Party & Fundraiser!

Please bring:



- 1.) A gift item worth no more than \$10 for the "Gift Swap
- 2.) A \$5 item such as toys, gloves, hats, books, sundries and socks for St. Joseph's Family Center in Gilroy to be given at our Emeth Social Action December 25th dinner:
- 3.) Money to purchase Chanukah items from our gift shop and Emeth Cookbooks (\$18 or 2 for \$30—perfect for gifts!) We will also collect donations to offset the cost of the binding machine purchased.
- 4.) \$10 dinner contribution (for non-Sisterhood members only). If you haven't paid your dues, bring \$36 for 2014/2015 to enable our Tzedakah and Mitzvah projects to continue!

NOTES: Donations are welcome even if you are not able to attend!



Patty Baggese's home 2885 Bannister, Gilroy



RSVPs are appreciated By December 4 for catering count. Please indicate if you prefer a vegan wrap instead of Thai chicken:

Patty pbaggese@garlic.com Or 408-842-6876







Start Tour Shabbat Morning with a Pre-Services Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser ared by our teens in Emet Dor Kefi



Saturday, December 13 Pancake Breakfast - 9:00-10:00 AM followed by TNT Services, 10:00 AM

Menu:

4 kippah-sized pancakes, cut-up fruit, Choice of milk, orange juice or coffee \$8/per person

\$28/family of 4 (family groups only) Additional family members: \$8/person



To reserve your breakfast, send a check to Congregation Emeth, with EDK in the subject line, and RSVP to the Emeth evite. No payment will be accepted on Shabbat. If your payment has not been received in advance, please send your payment after Shabbat. Remember, this is a fundraiser for our youth group. Your generous support is appreciated!

RSVP'S ARE A MUST SO WE KNOW HOW MUCH FOOD TO PREPARE!

RSVP to the Emeth Evite or to David Miller, dmiller2720@msn.com, by December 10





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: December 18

Children accompanied by parents are welcome!

For more information, contact Sandra Jackson

at oursash@yahoo.com



Save the Date for...

The Chanukah Train
December 18th, 2014
Departing at 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm

Share the Light of Chanukah Aboard Roaring Camp Railroad's New Chanukah Train!

Gather at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk on the 3rd night of Chanukah for the lighting of the menorah and then set off on an incredible train ride in Roaring Camp's comfortable excursion cars adorned with thousands of shining lights and Chanukah decorations.

We'll share in Chanukah traditions and ride the train through the streets of Santa Cruz listening to Chanukah stories, playing dreidel and enjoying kosher refreshments provided by <u>Chabad by the Sea.</u> Evening also includes your choice of mini golf, laser tag or arcade games.

Create a new holiday tradition with family and friends as we experience the lights, stories and traditions of Chanukah in a whole new way!

Produced in Association with Chabad by the Sea.

Click the following link for pictures from previous event: http://www.collive.com/show_news.rtx?id=28049

Tickets will be available for purchase on line beginning October 15, 2014.



The Lord's Table

Please join Emeth's Social Action/Social Justice Committee when we prepare and serve a holiday meal for needy families on Thursday December 25th at:

The Lord's Table,

St. Mary's Catholic Church (on the corner of Monterey and 1st Street in Gilroy).

This enables the regular food preparation and serving staff to enjoy the day with their families.

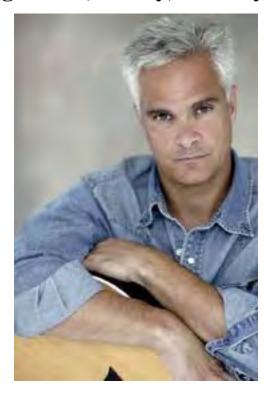
Please contact Sandra Jackson at oursash@yahoo.com for more details about the Lord's Table dinner, toy donations or to volunteer.

Please remember our Winter Clothing drive also. New or clean used items of clothing and blankets can be left in the donation bin in the synagogue's social hall. To those of you who have already volunteered please accept our thanks.



Craig Taubman

Jewish Singer/Songwriter/Producer Coming to Congregation Emeth! Friday Night Live, Friday, January 23, 2015



This will be a memorable service for the entire family!

Craig Taubman was one of the creators of the high energy "Friday Night Live" service format, and we use his beautiful melodies such as those for Romenu, L'cha Dodi, Ahavat Olam, and Hashkiveinu at our own services.

We have a variety of Craig's CD's in Gift Shop! You may purchase CD's in exchange for a donation to help defray costs. (Retail price of the CD's are \$14.95). We want every congregant to be familiar with Craig's music, so please purchase a CD and listen as a family. Checks for CD's should be made payable to Congregation Emeth, Rabbi's Fund.

For more information about Craig, go to http://craignco.com/v3/wordpress/about-craig/.



SHABBAT HOSTS NEEDED

For the coming year!

December 13 (2)

December 19 (3) Chanukah

- Neto & Weyl

December 26 (3)

January 2 (3)

January 16 (3)

January 31 (2)

February 13 ⁽³⁾
February 20 ⁽³⁾
March 6 ⁽³⁾ Purim
March 21 ⁽²⁾
April 11 ⁽²⁾
April 24 ⁽³⁾

May 9 ⁽⁴⁾ Thowdis/Kerner
May 22 ⁽³⁾
June 5 ⁽³⁾
June 12 ⁽¹⁾
June 19 ⁽³⁾

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





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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

OCTOBER 2014

(donations received after October 31 will be acknowledged in the January 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.

Marsha & Gerry Novack, in memory of Alan Wandel, father and grandfather
Cathy & Pi Silverstein, Emeth mortgage loan paydown
David Bohbot, General Fund donation
Susan Meyers & Michael Oshan, in honor of Board of Directors' Commitment to Congregation Emeth

ALLEN WISOTSKY EDUCATION FUND

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

MariaElena & Aaron Jarson

In honor of Haley Toch's bat mitzvah In honor of Matthew Ogden's bar mitzvah

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.

Patty & Jim Baggese, in honor of Susan Meyers' birthday

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.

Jerome Shapiro, High Holiday donation Megan Shaked, High Holiday donation

HIGH HOLIDAY MACHZOR

Aileen Teren-Foster & Dale Foster, Machzor Donation Cathy & Pi Silverstein, In memory of Pi Silverstein's parents Cheryl Thompson, Machzor Donation Judith Lessow-Hurley & Michael Hurley, Machzor Donation Marilyn & Barry Freund, Machzor Donation Steve Miller, Machzor Donation

OUTREACH

Brigit & Perry Strongin, Outreach donation

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.

Steve Miller, Rabbi's Discretionary Fund donation' Susan Meyers & Michael Oshan, in appreciation of Rabbi Israel's leadership

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.

Cathy & Pi Silverstein, Sisterhood donation Steve Miller, in honor of Sandra & Geoff Jackson

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.

Cathy & Pi Silverstein, Social Action donation

SPECIAL EVENTS

Donna & Mel Weisblatt, "Scattered Among the Nations" presentation

TORAH FUND

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

Maureen Chassy, in memory of Bea Chassy

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.

Sandra & Geoff Jackson, in memory of Walter Jackson

<u>ADDITIONAL DONATION OPPORTUNITIES</u>

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.

KARI MUNOWITCH MEMORIAL

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

PRAYER BOOK

This fund purchases new worship materials, including our Shabbat prayerbook, <u>Mishkan T'fila</u> 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

WINE EVENT DONATION

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.