January January

## tevet shevat



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				10 tevet	2 11 tevet NO CHAI SCHOOL FNL	3 12 tevet
				NEW YEAR'S DAY		Vayechi
4 13 tevet	5 14 tevet	6 HEBREW SCHOOL	7 16 tevet EMET DOR KEF	MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30pm	O 18 tevet CHAI SCHOOL COMMUNITY DINNER SNS	10 19 tevet ADULT SOCIAL: BUNCO
				BOARD MEETING		Shemot
20 tevet	12 21 tevet	13 HEBREW SCHOOL	14 23 tevet	15 MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30pm LORD'S TABLE	16 NO CHAI SCHOOL FNL EDK TO LA WITH RABBI	17 26 tevet
18 27 tevet EDK IN LA	19 28 tevet EDK RETURNS FROM LA	20 29 tevet HEBREW SCHOOL	21 1 shevat	2 shevat MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30pm	23 CHAI SCHOOL COMMUNITY DINNER FNL WITH CRAIG TAUBMAN	Va'era  4 shevat
	MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY		ROSH CHODESH			Во
25 5 shevat JEWBILEE AT JCC	26 6 shevat	7 shevat HEBREW SCHOOL	28 <sup>8 shevat</sup>	9 shevat  MUSSAR CLASS 11am-12:30pm  SISTERHOOD "MEN ARE FROM MARS"	30 10 shevat A	31 11 shevat
				T ROW WARD		Beshallach SHABBAT SHIRAH

57752015

# February

## shevat adar



SUND	AY	MONDAY	TUES	DAY	WEDNE	SDAY	THUR	SDAY	FR	IDAY	SAT	URDAY
1	12 shevat	2 13 she	HEBREW SC	14 shevat HOOL	4	15 shevat	5 GETTING TO EMETH 7-8:		6 CHAI SCHO COMMUNIT SNS	17 shevat N	7	18 shevat
8 NETO WEDDII HOSTED BY E		9 <sup>20 she</sup>	at 10 HEBREW SC EMETH REAL		Speaker - Chi Survivor, joint Emet Dor Kef Sisterhood	program of	12 BOARD MEI	23 shevat ETING	13 CHAI SCHO	24 shevat	14	25 shevat  Mishpatim BBAT SHEKALIM
15	26 shevat	16 27 she (MH & GILROY school vacation all week)	NO HEBREW	28 shevat	18	29 shevat	19 LORD'S TAE	30 shevat BLE SH CHODESH	20 NO CHAI S FNL	1 adar SCHOOL	21	2 adar
22	3 adar	23 <sup>4 ac</sup>	ar 24 HEBREW SC	5 adar HOOL	25 EMET DOR K	6 adar	26	7 adar	27 CHAI SCH	8 adar 🕻		9 adar at Mitzvah  Tetzaveh ABBAT ZACHOR

ថិបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបបប



# Don't Miss Eraig Taubman and His Band!

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



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.



This could be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for Congregation Emeth and promises to be a memorable service for the <a href="entire family">entire family</a>!

For more information about Craig, go to <a href="http://craignco.com/v3/wordpress/about-craig/">http://craignco.com/v3/wordpress/about-craig/</a>.

Craig Taubman's Friday Night Live service is sponsored by Rabbi Debbie Israel and Jerry Dubin in honor of Congregation Emeth.



# Shabbat Information for the Month of January, 2015

## Shabbat Vayechi

January 2-3 12 Tevet Bereishit (Genesis) 47:28-50:26

Friday evening candle lighting: 4:43 Saturday night Havdallah: 5:44

Friday Night Live 7:15 PM Rich Pupko, Lay Leader Mark Levy, Cantorial Soloist

## Shabbat Shemot

January 9-10 19 Tevet

Shemot (Exodus) 1:1-6:1 Friday evening candle lighting: 4:49 Saturday night Havdallah: 5:50

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

## Shabbat Va'eira

January 16-17 26 Tevet Shemot (Exodus) 6:2-9:35

Friday evening candle lighting: 4:56 Saturday night Havdallah: 5:57

Friday Night Live 7:15 PM Mel Weisblatt, Lay Leader Angela Gold, Cantorial Soloist

## Shabbat Bo

January 23-24

4 Shevat

Shemot (Exodus) 10:1-13:16 Friday evening candle lighting: 5:04 Saturday night Havdallah: 6:04

Friday Night Live 7:15 PM
With CRAIG TAUBMAN and his band

## Shabbat Beshalach

January 30-31

11 Shevat

Shemot (Exodus) 13:17-17:16 Friday evening candle lighting: 5:11 Saturday night Havdallah: 6:11

TNT - Saturday 10:00 AM 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.



# January Children & Youth Education Programs

## Tuesday Programs

January 6, 13, 20, 27

## Hebrew School

4:00 -6:00 PM Classroom time

## <u>Wednesday Programs</u>

January 7

## Emet Dor Kef (The Fun Generation)

7:30-9:00 PM Classroom time

## Friday Programs

January 9, 23, 30

## 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





Saturday Evening
JANUARY 10, 2015
6:30 - 9:00ish

## Emeth Adults only Social Activity

# BUNCOIII

You are ALL invited to play BUNCO!!! - Women AND Men

- NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NECESSARY -

If you haven't played before, it's a simple dice game that gives us an excuse to eat, drink and get to know each other better!

## Bring \$5 to Play - \$\$ CASH PRIZES \$\$

Amounts of each prize will depend on the number of people participating.

Snacks and drinks will be provided At Congregation Emeth Social Hall

Please RSVP to Robin Yacono so we'll have enough tables ready! rtyacono@comcast.net





# 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







## SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP

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

OPEN ON

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

4:45 - 6:30 P.M.

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

Come on by and SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP!



Jewbilee Jewish Day of Learning is made possible, in part, by a generous gift from Bonnie Slavitt Moore and Jack Moore.

\$10 general admission, \$8 students/seniors/kids, ages 4 and under are free. Kosher food and childcare included in the ticket price.

Click here to register or for more information!

Jewbilee is a full afternoon of classes, workshops, and performances for all ages. The afternoon is divided into sessions, with many classes, workshops and performances happening simultaneously during each session. You choose what you want to do.

The Jewbilee ideal is that the entire Jewish community can come together for a day under one roof, despite our many differences, and celebrate being Jewish and what that means to each of us.

Through a diverse program lineup--including rabbis from all denominations, professors from various Bay Area colleges and universities, students, teachers, artists, cooks and performers--our goal is to present a diversity of Jewish beliefs, political orientations, cultures and experiences.

Jewbilee is a day to try on a different Jewish hat; a new idea, a new practice, a new conversation.

The food at this year's Jewbilee is provided by L'Chaim Sushi, the Bay Area's only kosher and sustainable sushi provider. L'Chaim Sushi is supervised by the Vaad Hakashrus of Northern California and certified by the Monterey Bay Aquarium's Seafood Watch. There will be a live sushi bar featuring delicious rolls (including vegetarian options) and sashimi, as well as a an assortment of Japanese salads and sides. There will also be a separate salad bar provided by House of Bagels. This food will be available all day for no extra cost.



Join Emeth's Sisterhood for a hilarious one-man show:



Based on the best-selling book by John Gray

Thursday, January 29 at 8:00 PM

San Jose Montgomery Theater
All women (adults only, please!) are welcome to join us.
Get your tickets on <u>Goldstar</u> at a reduced rate.

Notify Patty <u>pbaggese@garlic.com</u> or Marilyn <u>freund.marilyn@gmail.com</u> if you buy tickets because we will coordinate carpooling and possibly dinner before the show.



## Mark Your Calendar for a very special program featuring Ruth Steinfeld child Holocaust survivor Wednesday, February 11, 7:00 pm



Ruth Steinfeld, from Houston, Texas, was born in Germany. Only 6 when the Holocaust began, she experienced the Holocaust as a young child in Germany and as a hidden child in France.

Her remarkable life journey took her back to Germany and France as an adult.

Ruth is a frequent speaker at schools throughout the Houston area and is a close personal friend of Rabbi Israel, who is bringing her to Emeth for this very special program.

Ruth's presentation is appropriate for older elementary students who have been introduced to the Holocaust, especially to middle school and high school students and all adults of the congregation.

Invite your friends and classmates!

This program is jointly sponsored by our EDK youth group, Sisterhood, and the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund.



## 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	Please make your check out to
Address	"Congregation Emeth" and indicate
City/State/Zip	that is it for a Machzor Dedication.
Phone	
	Thank you!
☐ In Honor of	<u> </u>
☐ In Memory of	



## SHABBAT HOSTS NEEDED

## For the coming year!

January 2 <sup>(3)</sup> -
Thowdis/Kerner
January 16 <sup>(3)</sup>
January 31 (2)
February 13 (3)
February 20 (3)

March 6 (3) Puris	٢
March 21 <sup>(2)</sup>	
April 11 <sup>(2)</sup>	
April 24 (3)	
May 9 <sup>(4)</sup> -	
Thowdis/Kerne	

May 22 <sup>(3)</sup>
June 5 <sup>(3)</sup>
June 12 <sup>(1)</sup>
June 19 <sup>(3)</sup>

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





## Descriptions of Emeth Services

All evening services begin at 7:15 pm. All Erev Shabbat (evening) dinners begin at 6:30 pm.

\*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.

\*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 2014**

(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: <a href="http://www.emeth.net/images/PDFs/forms/donation\_form.pdf">http://www.emeth.net/images/PDFs/forms/donation\_form.pdf</a>

### **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.

### **AUTOMOBILE DONATION**

Cate & Fred Gustafson, car donation

### **ALLEN WISOTSKY EDUCATION FUND**

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

MariaElena & Aaron Jarson, Emeth school scholarship

### **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

## **HIGH HOLIDAY MACHZOR**

Rabbi Debbie Israel & Jerry Dubin, Machzor 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.

Cathy & Stewart Gill, Rabbi's Discretionary Fund donation' Daria & Michael Ogden, In honor of Matthew Ogden's bar mitzvah Rabbi Debbie Israel & Jerry Dubin, Sponsor Craig Taubman Shabbat

## **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL**

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

Beth Roellig, in honor of Paula Marsh & Joelle Wolf and beautiful Yom Kippur service

#### TORAH FUND

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

Maureen Chassy, in memory of Joel Chassy

## **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.

**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, <a href="mailto:president@emeth.net">president@emeth.net</a>.

**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 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.

### 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, <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.

### **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**

## WINE EVENT 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.

**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.