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January

tevet shevat



S	UNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	3 tevet NEW YEAR'S DAY HANUKKAH	2 4 tevet	5 tevet NO HEBREW SCHOOL	6 tevet COLLEGE REUNION WITH RABBI 6:00-7:30 PM	AD ED: MODERN JEWISH THINKERS 11:00 AM-12:30 PM OR 7:00-8:30	8 tevet NO CHAI SCHOOL SNS FOR ADULTS (KIDS TOO) 7:15-8:30 PM	7 9 tevet
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February

shevat adar



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26 EDK WITH RACHEL 4:00-5:30 PM ROSH CHODESH	27 1 adar	2 adar HEBREW SCHOOL 4:30-6:00 PM				



Shabbat Information for the Month of January 2017

Shabbat Vayigash

January 6-7 9 Tevet
Short 'N Sweet for Adults
(kids welcome too!) 7:15 PM

Shabbat Vayechi

January 13-14 16 Tevet
Shabbat Morning TNT Service
10:00 AM
Mark Levy, Cantorial Soloist

Shabbat Shemot

January 20-21 23 Tevet

Tot Shabbat 5:30-6:30 PM

Community Shabbat Dinner 6:30 PM

Shabbat Short 'N Sweet 7:15 PM

Shabbat Va-eira

January 27-28 1 Shevat 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 servi-ce (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

HEBREW SCHOOL

January 10, 17, 24, 31

4:30 -6:00 PM

Classroom time

CHAI SCHOOL

January 20, 27

4:30-6:30 PM

Classroom time

EMET DOR KEF ("The fun generation") TEEN PROGRAMS

January 8, 29

Sun Jan 8 Sun Jan 29 4:00-6:00 PM 4:00-5:30 PM

Special teen panel EDK with Rabbi

For education program information, please contact Rabbi Israel, 408-348-5339 or rabbi@emeth.net









Interfaith Event Honoring Martin Luther King January 16th 7:00PM

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY
"GROWING THE BELOVED COMMUNITY

St Mary's Church Gilroy Corner of Monterey Street and First Street

Bringing our Interfaith Community together to remind us of Dr. King's message and to celebrate our common hopes for communities who care for one another...starting within our own local communities.





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Interfaith Thanksaiving Service



Please join us for the next

"Great Reads With a JeWish Theme" Tuesday, January 17 7:00 PM



The book to be discussed is

We Were the Future: A Memoir of the Kibbutz
Yael Neeman (Overlook Press, October, 2016)

Please note to change your calendars to the new Tuesday date.

The beautiful, understated memoir detailing the intimate, collective memories of children raised on the kibbutz. The kibbutz is one of the greatest stories in Israeli history. These collective settlements have been written about extensively over the years: The kibbutz has been the subject of many sociological studies, and has been praised as the only example in world history of entire communities attempting, voluntarily, to live in total equality. But there's a dark side to the kibbutz, which has been criticized in later years, mainly by children who were raised in these communities, as an institution which victimized its offspring for the sake of ideology.

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 Wendy Thowdis via email wtinsa@yahoo.com



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: anuary 19

Children accompanied by parents are welcome!

For more information, contact Sandra Jackson

at oursash@yahoo.com



Lead by educator Marilyn Freund and Lori Goldsmith

Friday, January 20 at 5:30-6:30 pm

All preschoolers are welcome!
Bring your young Children and grandchildren!
Stay for our community Shabbat dinner!



PRAYING WITH OUR FEET

Join us in San Jose for the Women's March on January 21st. The Women's March on Washington is a national movement for women, men, and children who stand for human rights, civil liberties, diversity and compassion for our shared humanity. This is not a protest, political or anti-anything event. We will unite locally with the main march in DC and sister marches in every state and major metropolitan area across our great country to stand together for justice, tolerance and inclusion for all.

In California, there are groups organizing for the DC March and then also several sister marches being held on the same day throughout the state. Our group will be leaving Congregation Emeth at 8:30 AM and carpooling to San Jose for the march, which begins at 10:00 AM.

We are considering renting a van at about \$5 per person if we have 15 riders, including rental and gas. For more information or to reserve a spot (first come first served), please contact Susan Meyers at pastpresident@emeth.net.

















We Want-NEED YOU! How Will YOU volunteer YOUR 18 hours?

Cal	lend	ared	Events

Tu B'Shvat & Community Dinner February 10th

Purim Celebration March 10th

Community Seder April 11th

Wine Tasting Fundraiser May 21st

Shavuot May 26th

Garlic Festival Photo Booth July 28 – 29

Shabbat in the Redwoods August 5th

New Member Shabbat August 25th

Taste of Morgan Hill September

Throughout the year

Shabbat Hosts

Garbage – take out on Tuesday evenings

Bring in on Thursday evenings

Phone Monitor – check answering machine

daily & forward messages to correct person

Volunteer Coordinator

Join a Committee

Education

Communications

Ritual

Membership

Interfaith Counsel

Finance

Join the Board

Chair – Education

Treasurer

President Elect



SHABBAT HOSTS NEEDED

Jan 6 ⁽³⁾ - Maskell Jan 14 ⁽²⁾ - Thompson Jan 27 ⁽³⁾

Feb 3 ⁽³⁾
Feb 17 ⁽³⁾

Feb 25 ⁽²⁾ - Fernandez

<mark>Mar 18 ⁽²⁾</mark>

Apr 15 ⁽²⁾

Apr 28 ⁽³⁾

May 13 ⁽²⁾

Apr 7 (3) - Fernandez

May 26 (3)

<mark>Jun 2 ⁽³⁾</mark>

Jun 10 ⁽²⁾

Jun 23 ⁽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) Shabbat Potluck Dinner



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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 2016

(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.

Marilyn & Barry Freund
In memory of Hana Cidon's brother
In honor of the marriage of Jay & Heidi Weisblatt

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 the marriage of Jay & Heidi Weisblatt

BRICK FUNDRAISER

Sandy Gabe, in memory of Gerald Gabe

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Kathy & Rick Coencas, capital campaign donation Maureen Chassy, capital campaign donation

CHAISCHOOL

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

Nancy Fishman & Ronnie Wilmer, school donation

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.

Dr. Batia Swed, in memory of Goldie Kiman

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 & Robert Silverstein

Donation for outside menorah

Donation for interfaith program

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.

Debbie Zajac, Sisterhood Chanukah fundraiser Donna & Mel Weisblatt, Sisterhood Chanukah fundraiser Marsha Novack. Sisterhood Chanukah fundraiser

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

B'NEI MITZVAH KIDDUSH 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.

GARLIC FESTIVAL

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.

HIGH HOLDAY 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.

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.

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

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.