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# KAR-BEN

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 25 sivan  SHABBAT AT HOME	2 26 sivan 
					CANADA DAY	Shelach
3 27 sivan	4 28 sivan INTERFAITH COMMUNITY IN PARADE  INDEPENDENCE DAY	5 29 sivan	6 30 sivan	7 1 tammuz	8 2 tammuz  SUNSET SHABBAT	9 3 tammuz 
			ROSH CHODESH	ROSH CHODESH		Korach
10 4 tammuz	11 5 tammuz	12 6 tammuz	13 7 tammuz	14 8 tammuz BOARD MEETING	15 9 tammuz  SHABBAT AT HOME	16 10 tammuz 
						Chukat
17 11 tammuz	18 12 tammuz	19 13 tammuz	20 14 tammuz	21 15 tammuz LORDS TABLE	22 16 tammuz  SUNSET SHABBAT	23 17 tammuz 
						Balak
24 18 tammuz FAST DAY OBSERVED	25 19 tammuz	26 20 tammuz	27 21 tammuz	28 22 tammuz	29 23 tammuz  GARLIC FESTIVAL	30 24 tammuz  GARLIC FESTIVAL
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	1 26 tammuz	2 27 tammuz	3 28 tammuz	4 29 tammuz	5 1 av 	6 2 av  SHABBAT IN THE REDWOODS <i>Matot-Masei</i>
7 3 av	8 4 av	9 5 av	10 6 av	11 7 av BOARD MEETING	12 8 av  FNL ROSH CHODESH	13 9 av  <i>Devarim</i> SHABBAT CHAZON EREV TISHA B'AV
14 10 av TISHA B'AV OBSERVED	15 11 av	16 12 av	17 13 av	18 14 av LORDS TABLE	19 15 av 	20 16 av  TALIA JORDAN BAT MITZVAH <i>Va'etchanan</i> SHABBAT NACHAMU
21 17 av	22 18 av	23 19 av	24 20 av	25 21 av	26 22 av 	27 23 av  ASHTYN ABMONT BAT MITZVAH (AFTERNOON) <i>Ekev</i>
28 24 av	29 25 av	30 26 av	31 27 av			



# Shabbat Information for the Month of July 2016

## Shabbat Shelach

July 2                      26 Sivan  
Shabbat at Home

## Shabbat Balak

July 22                      17 Tammuz  
Sunset Shabbat 7:15 PM

## Shabbat Korach

July 8                      3 Tammuz  
Sunset Shabbat 7:15 PM

## Shabbat Pinchas

July 30                      24 Tammuz  
Shabbat at Home

## Shabbat Chukat

July 16                      10 Tammuz  
Shabbat at Home



## 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.



# SHABBAT HOSTS NEEDED

**For Summer!**

July 8 <sup>(8)</sup>

August 12 <sup>(3)</sup>

July 22 <sup>(8)</sup>

August 6 <sup>(2)</sup> - Thowdis/Kerner

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](mailto: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
  - (8) Sunset Shabbat



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**\*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.

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**\*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).



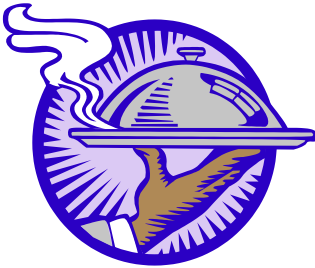
Congregation Emeth is committed to helping feed the needy  
on the third Thursday of each month

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

Lord's Table

St. Mary Catholic Parish

11 First Street, Gilroy



Our next date is: **July 21**

Children accompanied by parents are welcome!

For more information, contact Sandra Jackson

at [oursash@yahoo.com](mailto:oursash@yahoo.com)



Don't forget to sign up for the

# GILROY GARLIC FESTIVAL

## July 29-31

We have established signup link to make it  
easy to plan your participation.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449a8af28a02-gilroy>

Have some fun, make some friends  
and help Congregation Emeth earn money!



Teenagers especially welcome!  
Earn service hours for school!



### Congregation Emeth Souvenir Photo Booth

We have several spots left to fill and we encourage you to give it a try!

This is a fun event, with happy customers,  
and also a great way to get to know other members of Emeth!



## Shabbat-in-the-Redwoods

# Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>

### Mt. Madonna County Park / Redwood Grove

10:30 am–12:00 pm	Shabbat Service
12:00 pm–12:45 pm	Family picnic (Bring your own food & a dessert to share)
12:45 pm– 2:15 pm	Study Session with Willow Katz, Social Justice leader, Temple Beth El in Aptos

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

Study Session guest speaker Willow Katz will discuss solitary confinement in California and the U.S., views from *Torah* and *Talmud*, and the movement to end solitary confinement of adults and youth. She will focus on the work of the Prisoner Human Rights Movement, Temple Beth El in Aptos, Prisoner Hunger Strike Solidarity Coalition in California, and Together to End Solitary nationwide. Read “California Congregation Works to End Solitary Confinement” on the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism blog at:

<http://www.rac.org/blog/2016/05/02/california-congregation-works-end-solitary-confinement>

Levi Glatt, who is experienced working with children in forest settings, will be leading the children for a nature walk while the adults have their program. Depending on the number of children, more teens may be asked to lead so please RSVP to rabbi Israel by August 1 if your children will be participating. Thank you.





## **SHABBAT IN THE REDWOODS**

### **PARK INFORMATION**

Mt. Madonna County Park  
7850 Pole Line Rd  
Watsonville, CA 95076  
(408) 842-2341

This year we invite all congregants and their families to spend Shabbat with us on Friday night, August 5<sup>th</sup> as well as joining us for our Saturday program on August 6<sup>th</sup>. 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 Valley View #1 Campsite 120N. For more information about the program, Friday's brief Shabbat service, or camping, contact Wendy Thowdis ([wtinsa@yahoo.com](mailto:wtinsa@yahoo.com))

To book a campsite go to: [www.gooutsideandplay.org](http://www.gooutsideandplay.org)

Families interested in booking sites near each other, please contact MariaElena Jarson ( [jarsonfamily@gmail.com](mailto:jarsonfamily@gmail.com) )

See the following website for a map of the park.

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

## THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

**MAY 2016**

*(donations received after May 31 will be acknowledged in the August 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](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 Wisotsky, In honor of Ari Rush's 4<sup>th</sup> birthday

### **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.*

Aileen Teren-Foster & Dale Foster, in memory of Bruce Meyers

Hilda & Stuart Gallant, thank you to Susan Meyers & Michael Oshan for post-surgery meal

Marilyn & Barry Freund, in memory of Bruce Meyers

Betty Freedman Gifting Fund, in honor of Rabbi Israel & Jerry Dubin's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary

### **B'NEI MITZVAH KIDDUSH FUND**

Sandy Gabe, B'nei Mitzvah Kiddush Fund donation

### **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

MariaElena & Aaron Jarson, in memory of Bruce Meyers

Kathy & Rick Coencas, capital campaign donation

Marilyn & Barry Freund, capital campaign debt-reduction 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.*

Becky & Andre Neto, in memory of Sadie Rose Goldfarb

Bette Gardner & Michael Heil, in memory of Bruce Meyers

Cathy & Robert Silverstein, in memory of Bruce Meyers

Cathy & Robert Silverstein, in memory of R. Marquez

Judith Lessow-Hurley & Michael Hurley, in memory of Bruce Meyers

### **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.*

Hilda & Stuart Gallant, thank you to Rabbi Israel for her support  
Susan Meyers & Michael Oshan, with appreciation to Rabbi Israel

### **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.*

Aileen Teren-Foster & Dale Foster, in memory of Bruce Meyers  
Hilda & Stuart Gallant, thank you for post-surgery meal to Silversteins, Wendy Thowdis, Bette Gardner  
& Michael Heil, MariaElena Jarson, Rena Dubin, Marilyn & Barry Freund  
Wendy Thowdis & Michael Kerner, in memory of Bruce Meyers

### **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](mailto: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 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 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, Mishkan T'fila and the new Reform High Holiday Machzor.*

**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**

**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.*