

Let Torah be a way of life, and welcome every person as a friend - Pirke Avot

GREETINGS FROM RABBI FAITH JOY DANTOWITZ

As we approach the New Year 5781, we find ourselves in uncharted territory. None of us have lived through a pandemic. The past six months have been filled with challenges and a surreal sense of time. Preparing to leave New Jersey last Spring was a strange experience as all of our goodbyes are now distant or online. I arrived in California in July and officially began my position as rabbi of Congregation Emeth in August.



Rabbi Dantowitz and her family

I lived most of my life in New Jersey with a few years away at college in Philadelphia (University of Pennsylvania's Moore School of Electrical Engineering), a year in Boston (met my husband singing in a Jewish group, Zamir Chorale), a year in Israel (first year of rabbinical school) and two years of rabbinical school at Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) in LA.

My husband David and I raised our four sons in New Jersey where we enjoyed Broadway shows, our sons' musicals, a cappella concerts, and lots of sports. Our two oldest, Ezra and Benjamin, live near Washington DC and the two youngest moved out to California with us. Samuel just graduated college in Boston and Daniel started college in Boston this week. Lily Rose, our dog, rounds out the family and is now a California girl who will miss the snow! I enjoy taking her for long walks (at least prior to the fires) and look forward to more outdoor adventures. We've just begun exploring the area with a visit to Muir Woods.

I'm excited to begin this new chapter in my rabbinate as Congregation Emeth's rabbi. While I had certainly imagined meeting all of you in person and eagerly await the time when we will be able to recite *Hineh mah tov u'mah naim shevet achim gam yachad* — *How good it is for all of us to dwell together* [Psalm 133], the reality is we are finding new paths to create meaningful connections.

I'm eager to get to know every member of the congregation and have enjoyed the meetings I've already had. I want to hear how you are doing during this time and what your hopes and dreams are. What areas of learning would you like to explore and what wisdom would you like to share (possibly even teach a class)? My hope is that we will continue to grow as a caring community and build relationships with one another. This means reaching out to those we don't yet know. Everyone I have spoken with has emphasized what a warm and caring community Congregation Emeth is, and I agree. I felt that warmth during my interview last February and continue to experience it each day. Though we can not literally sit together in the Sanctuary, we can be together virtually and in spirit.

The month of Tishrei will be filled with meaningful worship at the Holy Days and Festivals. I'm excited for our Beit Sefer Religious School, Chai School, and EDK to begin soon too and look forward to teaching and learning with the students. We'll welcome Sukkot from our own virtual *sukkot shalom*—safe dwelling

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HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE

Emeth members will receive additional login information for the services by email. Non-members are welcome to attend but must register in advance in order to receive a passcode to attend the digital services online with the Zoom app. Please RSVP to our membership director, membership@emeth.net, so we can expect and welcome you.

Saturday, September 12th

Selichot Program and Service, 7:00 PM

A program for adults and children on the topic of forgiveness -- with a brief animated video, discussion and Havdallah. The evening will end with a shofar blast.

Sunday, September 13th Afternoon (By last name, see p. 11)

Drive through the Congregation Emeth Parking Lot to pick up a High Holy Day gift bag, donate Target gift cards for SafePark, and meet Rabbi Dantowitz (from your car).

Friday, September 18th

Erev Rosh Hashanah Services, 7:30 PM

Saturday, September 19th

Family Rosh Hashanah Services, 9:00-9:30 AM
Rosh Hashanah Morning Services, 10:00 AM

Sunday, September 27th

Kol Nidre Service, 7:30 PM

Monday, September 28th

Family Yom Kippur Services, 9:00-9:30 AM
Yom Kippur Morning Services, 10:00 AM
Yom Kippur Afternoon Study Session, 3:30 PM
Yizkor, 4:30 PM
Concluding Services: Mincha and Neilah, 5:00 PM

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KEHILIAH, BEING A COMMUNITY

Michael Oshan, President



Michael Oshan

Wishing you all a good and sweet Holy Day season. When our Congregation was just forming nearly 45 years ago, one of the major reasons some of us were interested in creating a Jewish presence in our community was to have ready access to a *minyan* — the concept of having a minimum of 10 Jews who can have a prayer service and perform certain of our rituals such as saying *Kaddish*,

public reading of the Torah, and the priestly benediction. As a way of providing an opportunity for mourners to say *Kaddish*, it is common for a minyan to be held at a congregant's home. We have had this type of service many times over the years and now we find ourselves using technology to enter each other's homes virtually. Within the past months we have used the Zoom format to enjoy celebrations of life cycle events and to mourn the loss of members and extended family members of our community. No, it is not the same as holding a friend's hand in person, hugging a new b'nai mitzvah, sharing a meal in the same space, or touching our sacred Torah. Yet, this is the world we find ourselves occupying at this time in history. We must face the world with a new type of discipline and patience and do everything we can to hold our community together.

Many of you may recall that I have held the position of Emeth President on 3 previous occasions. I agreed to one more non-consecutive term as I recognize the need to transition into another phase of our existence as a Community. Those of us that have been leading for many years are aging and we need the next generation to take the reins of leadership. I am proud of the fact that half of our current Board of Directors are serving their first term managing the operations of Emeth. We have an exciting new spiritual leader with Rabbi Faith Joy Dantowitz and for the first time in our history we have a professional administrator position, currently being staffed by Marcia Fishman. We have hired experienced teachers and anticipate much adult and youth learning to take place throughout the year. We are starting the year with virtual classes and services, but have every intention of resuming live activities at our synagogue as soon as it is safe to do so. Let us not forget that this health crisis is temporary and we shall all be together again in our Sanctuary and classrooms — hopefully within months from now.

Emeth is much more than services and classes. It is a place where we come together to share experiences and memories, a place to enjoy each other, and to enhance our lives with personal connections. We strengthen ourselves when we contribute to the greater community through *tzedakah* and our acts of kindness. We perform some of these things through physical deeds and some virtually. We must continue to teach our children about our collective culture and the virtue of what we refer to as Jewish values. This is best done by good examples of the elders. One way to model appropriate behavior is to volunteer to engage in life at the synagogue. We have a number of projects that will be worked on, and events that will be planned over the

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next months. We will adopt all necessary health considerations while we do things like organize the basement and attic space at Emeth, prep the classrooms for eventual use, and redecorate and paint many spots in our building. Look for volunteer opportunities listed in other places in this newsletter.

Although we will have shortened, virtual services this year for High Holy Days, I am hopeful that we will all find the program to be meaningful and personal to our current situation. Come to the Zoom programs with your phone off, dressed appropriately, and in a home space that has been made special in some way. I recommend a full dedication to the service in the same way you would if at the synagogue.

Fulfilling our responsibilities as members of a Jewish Community includes performance of mitzvahs such as comforting the bereaved and remembering those who have left this world. It is customary to make donations to the Congregation when observing the *Yahrzeit* (anniversary) of family members who have passed away. We should also remember to support our Congregation when we have *simchas* to celebrate. Let's continue to create a culture at Emeth that is supportive, caring, and present for each other. I wish you all a good and sweet new year.

L'Shanah Tovah u'metukah,
Michael Oshan,
President Congregation Emeth

UPCOMING HOLIDAYS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Additional information about holiday celebrations will be provided via Emeth's HaMadrich Email

SUKKOT, OCT 2-9

Sukkot is one of the most joyful festivals on the Jewish calendar.

"Sukkot," a Hebrew word meaning "booths" or "huts," refers to the Jewish festival of giving thanks for the fall harvest. The holiday has also come to commemorate the 40 years of Jewish wandering in the desert after the giving of the Torah atop Mt. Sinai.

SIMCHAT TORAH AND SH'MINI ATZERET, OCT 9-10

A celebration of the completing the annual reading of the Torah.
October 9-10

Join us the evening of October 9th for a special celebration online with bluegrass band Nefesh Mountain. More info on p. 10.

HANUKKAH DEC 10-18



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



There are so many ways you can get involved and help!

- Carpentry skills? We have several small repairs that need to be done on our building, includes trimming out a couple of windows, and some cosmetic fixes.
- Painters? Our sukkah needs to be re-stained and or oiled to preserve the wood.
- Spruce up the meditation area under the big oak tree in the rear of the building, including polishing the dedication nameplates and straightening the bricks.
- Re-organize the attic and basement spaces.

- Spruce up the utility room.
- Design and complete a mural on the outside concrete shed.
- Clean the chairs stored in the back shed.
- Repair the seat back covers of sanctuary chairs.
- Join the Tikum Olam committee in various projects including feeding the poor and homeless.
- Pick up litter and trash on the section of the Morgan Hill walking trail that Congregation Emeth has adopted.
- Sort donations, including books.

For more info or to volunteer please contact president@emeth.net

REMEMBERING PENNY DOUBEK

A special tribute by her friends Marilyn Freund and Brigit Strongin

It is with our deepest sadness that we write this because so many of us have lost such a dear friend and member of Congregation Emeth, Penny Frank Doubek. Penny passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, August 26, 2020, at the young age of 59 from an apparent heart attack.

Penny was a charismatic woman who knew how to make a difference. She was a beautiful and loving wife to Scott and a mother extraordinaire to Josh, Mike, and Sam. Penny and Scott had a very strong marriage and planned on being together for many more years. And we can't forget how much she loved her dogs, Charlie and Rose.

Penny could light up any room she entered — bringing life, happiness, and energy. She enjoyed a long and successful career in the mortgage brokerage business. Penny was an avid skier, tennis player, gardener, chicken whisperer, and recently, also a fly fisher. She loved people and making a difference in their lives, as is demonstrated by the great number of friends she has.

Most of all, Penny was proud of her Jewish heritage. She adored her parents Warren and Janice Frank, her brother Gary, and her sister Pam (John) Renock, as well as many loving nieces and nephews.

Penny has been a member of Congregation Emeth for over 20 years. The children of Emeth meant so much to Penny, she supported them with their religious education and volunteered her time to congregation's Sunday school. Many years ago, when her children were small and Congregation Emeth was at different places, she saw the need to create a warm, hospitable, attractive environment for services and onegs. The Emeth Pretty Committee was formed! From the frugal addition of silk trees, white tablecloths, and color to brighten the space, it became welcoming for Emeth Congregants with Penny's golden touch. Those additions, coupled with her laugh, couldn't help but bring joy. We collaborated on her sons' bar mitzvah parties in the Doubeks' spectacular backyard venue, creating a time to remember. The Franks called us "balabustas," Yiddish for "the ones who can handle a challenge"! Penny could do whatever it took to make things as special for others as she was.

Penny, along with others, was helping with Eric Crompton's bar mitzvah in the kitchen of the Presbyterian Church in Gilroy (home of Congregation Emeth at the time) when the idea of creating an Emeth Sisterhood was sparked. To this day, the Emeth Sisterhood performs many activities including outreach and supporting those members who are having and preparing for a bar or bat mitzvah. Also over the years, Penny also participated in the wine fundraising events.

We will never forget the difference Penny made in all our lives to make this world a better place. She lives on in our memories and hearts forever.



***Penny Doubek
May She Rest in Peace
and May Her Name Always
Be For a Blessing***



Penny's chickens



Penny's lovely garden

WELCOME JIM & JILL IRWIN

We are delighted to welcome **Jim & Jill Irwin** to the Emeth family. The couple has been together since 1978 and have two wonderful children. Their oldest son Jack and his wife Kelli live in Morgan Hill with their daughter Reagan who had her naming at Emeth last fall. Their other daughter Judy lives in Long Beach, staying there after graduating with her business degree from CSULB. She is part owner-operator of The Den Salon in downtown Long Beach (Yes, COVID has been really hard for her.) When Jim was a working guy, he was The Cable Guy, out there day or night, making sure your cable TV was on. Jill had a fabulous career as an engineer, culminating in the creation of Irwin and Associates, Inc. consulting (www.irwinassociatesinc.com). Now she spends her time teaching or taking yoga classes, and walking their dog. Jim spends his time creating art. He paints oil on canvass, or draws in charcoals, pastels, or pencils. They feel very blessed to be able to spend lots of time with their granddaughter Raegan.



New Members
Jim and Jill Irwin



Jill, Judy, Jack, Kelli holding a much younger Raegan, and Jim last year at Emeth after Rosh Hashana services.

Jill explained that she had most recently belonged to the now-defunct Temple Beth Sholom in San Jose for 25 years, and found Emeth when looking for a Rabbi for her granddaughter's naming ceremony. She writes, "I immediately fell in love with you guys. I don't have to tell you about Rabbi Debbie! We ended up having our wonderful granddaughter Raegan named at Emeth at Rosh Hashana last year. It was an amazing honor to be called to Torah on the high holy days, and then to have the extra blessing of the baby-naming!" She found everyone to be so welcoming. "We all felt so embraced. I fell in love with the building, too, as the synagogue was just what I wanted - beautiful and yet intimate."

Jill joined to find new friends and new friends and community. She is looking forward to being as active as she can in Sisterhood and Social Action, and looks forward to having a place to take Raegan when it's time for her formal Jewish education to begin. Jill had a great time at last year's Chanukah party and she is hopeful to find more events where I can expose her grand daughter to Jewish ritual and custom. Jill would love to learn to play mahjong, and Jim is already looking forward to the monthly poker game (aka the Men's Group meeting.)



A recent pic of the Irwin's almost two-year-old granddaughter Raegan.

Have you looked at the Emeth Website lately?

We're in the process of updating our website to reflect all recent the changes to our synagogue.

You are encouraged to open it up and explore some of the less used areas. Read about our History — for example, have you watched the 30 minute interview with the founder of our Community, Ellen Fuchs? You'll also find more information there about our newly hired Rabbi! www.emeth.net

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS!

Celebrating 50 years of marriage!
Mazel Tov to **Barry and Marilyn Freud** on their
50th wedding anniversary!



Congratulations to
**Marsha and Jerry
Novack** on the arrival
of their new grandson
Nolan Raymond Novack,
who decided he couldn't
wait any longer and
made his appearance
three weeks early on
July 19th!



Congrats to **Robin
and Tom Yacono** on
the birth of their
grandaughter Aria
Maie Romero, born
August 31st. The
parents are daughter
Sarah and son-in-law
Armand. They all love
her to pieces and are
over the moon.



Congratulations to **Donna and Mel Weisblatt** on their new
grandson Charles Maxwell Eric Weisblatt (otherwise known
as Charlie) who was born on July 26th. His lucky parents are
Jay and Heidi Weisblatt and he joins big sisters Maddie and
Allie Weisblatt.

Mazel Tov
מזל טוב

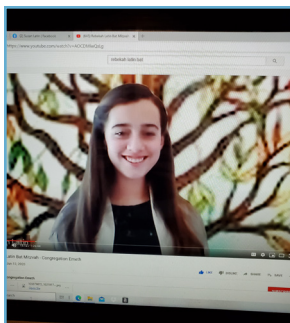


Best wishes to the **Tracy and Scott
Valentine** who have just moved
to Avon, Ohio! In addition to the
family's big move, son **Jason** is
on campus at Arizona State and
daughter **Kelsey** will be living off
campus at University of California,
Irvine. Their daughter **Natalie** is
graduated and works in Sacramento.

Have news or things to share and celebrate?

Please send your info and photos to communications@emeth.net to be included in the next issue! Thanks!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SUMMER B'NOT MITZVAH!



Rebekah Latin

Congratulations to **Rebekah Latin** and **Alexa Gordon** on their B'not Mitzvah this summer! Both did a wonderful job and invited the community to join them online to witness the important event in their lives.

Rebekah's bat mitzvah took place online on June 13th. Her mother, Susan Latin commented that, "It was fun to be able to see everyone from all over the country in the midst of a pandemic. While Zoom wasn't ideal and a bit of a technology challenge, **Peter Mandel** and **Cantor Liz Baseman** helped with the technology and really made it seamless." Rebekah

explained, "I chose Magen David Adom as my tzedakah recipient because the frontline heroes in our society have been a big influence on me. These people risk their lives to help others be safe, healthy and happy. Without their efforts, many wouldn't be here with us today. With the impact of this pandemic, these people need to be more appreciated than ever. I will donate 10% of my gift money to Magen David Adom so that they can continue to help save lives across Israel."



Alexa Gordon

Alexa's bat mitzvah took place via zoom on July 11th among family and friends followed by a zoom Oneg. In attendance at the live service were her immediate family. Everyone practiced social distancing rules and wore masks. Alexa chose Matan for her tzedakah recipient. As she explained, "This organization that I am donating to helps special need kids with disabilities. They believe that there needs to be a bigger percentage of people in the world that recognizes kids with disabilities and they also believe that people need to be inclusive of everyone even though a lot of people are not 'perfect.' I selected Matan because I believe that it is very important that kids and even adults always can get what they need. I have been to many schools with special needs kids and I think that we are most of the time living our best lives while others aren't."

NEW MEMBERS SHABBAT CELEBRATION



Shabbat Gift Bags for our new members

On September 11th, the congregation will honor the 12 new families who have joined Emeth over the past year during our Shabbat service. Before the service, each family will also receive a special holiday gift bag with a challah, grape juice, and other Shabbat treats. Thank you **Marilyn Freud** for putting the gifts together, and **Maricia Fishman, Susan Meyers, Jill Irwin,** and **Charlene Rose** for helping her to drop them off to each family.

Another big welcome to each of the new members and their families!

Adrien Drew, Marie Escobar, Rita and Jack Fisher, Shira and Josh Frantzich, Michele and David Glassner, Kelli and Jack Irwin, Jill and Jim Irwin, Sarah and Ron Laws, Arlene Noodleman, Alexis and Aaron Smith, Deborah and Karate Vick, and MariaElena and Aaron Jarson.

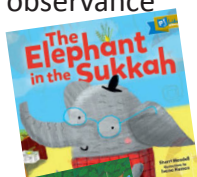
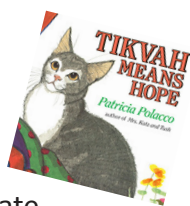


SIGN UP FOR PJ LIBRARY

Every month, PJ Library sends more than 650,000 free Jewish books to families around the world raising Jewish kids from birth through 9 years old. PJ Library shares stories that celebrate Jewish values, culture, and tradition, all at no cost to families. For older kids, free Jewish middle-grade books for 9-12-year-olds are available at PJ Our Way.

A program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation, PJ Library is made possible through partnerships with philanthropists and local Jewish organizations. Families raising kids with Judaism as part of their lives, are welcome to sign up. PJ Library welcomes all Jewish families, whatever your background, knowledge, or family make-up, or observance may be.

Sign up today at:
www.pjlibrary.org (for 0-8 yrs)
or www.pjourway.org
(for 9-12 yrs)



RABBI'S MESSAGE, CONT. FROM P. 1

places in our homes on Friday, October 2nd. Our Simchat Torah celebration on Friday, October 9th will be a musical celebration with Reform congregations across the country! Stay tuned for more fun Shabbat celebrations in October. I'll start Adult Education this year with a three-part series on Resilience.

During this time leading up to the High Holy Days, it is traditional to recite Psalm 27 daily. Psalms can be a helpful tool to guide us on our paths. One verse from this Psalm is:

Listen God when I cry aloud; have mercy on me, answer me. [Psalms 27:7] — At this time filled with challenges and as the new year approaches, we ask God to hear our prayers and show us compassion.

The Jewish New Year is a time for us to engage in *heshbon hafesh* — a spiritual accounting and I encourage us to also engage in a physical check up. It is important for us to care for our bodies and spirits.

I am looking forward to a meaningful High Holy Day experience with all of you and excited for the journey ahead. I invite you to review the "[Preparing for the Holy Days](#)" to help make the days sacred.

L'shana tova tikatevu v'tichatemu
May you be written and sealed for a good year.

Rabbi Faith Joy Dantowitz

HIGH HOLY DAY DONATIONS

During the High Holy Days, the liturgy reiterates the themes of *Tefila* (prayer), *Teshuva* (repentance, return) and *Tzedakah* (justice, righteousness, charity). These messages are the essence of our observance.

Jewish tradition encourages us to honor the memory of loved ones through the giving of *tzedakah* on the High Holy Days. Donations received by September 21st will be listed in the Yom Kippur Yizkor booklet on the website or sent out in HaMadrach before Yom Kippur. Donations received afterwards will be listed in HaMadrach after Yom Kippur OR the November monthly donation flyer.

To honor your loved ones, please send your gift of *tzedakah* to Congregation Emeth, 17835 Monterey Street, Morgan Hill, CA 95037 or visit <https://emeth.net/donate/> to make your donation through our website. Donations of \$18 are suggested but any amount fulfills the mitzvah.



EXCITING NEW CHAPTER FOR OUR YOUTH EDUCATION

Our congregation's *Beit Sefer* Religious School will be using a brand-new curriculum called *ShalomLearning*. This curriculum was developed for both the virtual or in-person classroom. Through its creative, fun and forward thinking format, the lessons provide a range of content from Jewish culture, history, and stories. The lessons are interactive and values-based, providing tenets that we all share, like "Using your inner strength to do what's right" and "Taking responsibility for your actions." It promises engaging and innovative Jewish educational content, and it includes videos, text studies, blessings, and activities.

Younger grades experience each lesson using the five senses. As the grades progress, each of seven values (or units) consists of four lessons, incorporating social and emotional skills that enable students to build positive relationships and make responsible decisions. Through the values, students look at Jewish text, history, *tefillah*, and holidays. And since classes are virtually taught in your home, we will occasionally invite the whole family to join in on a selected lesson.

ShalomLearning also includes a Hebrew School program. These lessons take the Hebrew letters off the page. It offers a fun and interactive way to learn, supporting the critical goals of comfortability in a synagogue service, preparation for B'nai Mitzvah, and a knowledge of Israel.

The best news is that *ShalomLearning* was designed specifically for a virtual classroom (no square peg in a round hole) and – was also designed to take the same lessons (a bit more enhanced) back into an in-person classroom.

All classes will be taught by career Judaic teachers.

We are excited to introduce this program, and we thank the **Fishman/Wilner** and **Shem-Tov** families for underwriting this curriculum.



CELEBRATING TORAH CELEBRATING LIFE



Starring Nefesh Mountain

**A SIMCHAT TORAH CONCERT
OCTOBER 9 | 5:00PM PT
ZOOM**

Presented by



in conjunction with
smaller URJ congregations

On October 9th, join Nefesh Mountain and other small Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) congregations for a Simchat Torah celebration like no other.

Nefesh Mountain's unique brand of Jewish bluegrass will lift our spirits and make our hearts dance (and maybe us too, in the privacy of our own homes!) as we celebrate Torah, celebrate our heritage, and celebrate life even during complex and difficult times.

Band leaders and husband and wife team Doni Zasloff and Eric Lindberg are the heart of this eclectic offering, pioneering a new world of American culture which seamlessly blends their deep love for American and Western musical forms with their own cultural backgrounds as Jewish Americans.

Additional event details will be sent out by email.

TIKKUN OLAM UPDATES

Susan Meyers, Committee Chair

Our Congregation is currently involved in three projects:

Every Voice, Every Vote: Reform Movement 2020 Civic Engagement Campaign

We are participating in the National Reform Jewish Congregations project "Every Voice Every Vote: 100% Voting Congregation". This is a non-partisan effort to ensure that every voice is heard and every vote is cast in the 2020 election.

Our goal is for Emeth to be a 100% Voting Congregation.



Susan Meyers

To meet our goal, we will be sending Emeth members a snail mail letter and an email with information related to voting. We hope you will help us meet our Every Voice Every Vote 100% Voting Congregation goal!

A modification of our annual Rosh Hashanah food drive:

Donate Gift Cards to Help people at the Safe Car Park

This year, given Covid 19 restrictions, we have developed an alternative method for providing food for families in need. While it is not safe for EDK to join together to sort cans for a food collection this year, it is always important to do a mitzvah. I welcome you to participate in the mitzvah of helping those in need by donating a Target gift card and dropping it off at the temple when you come by for your gift on September 13th. Target gift cards can be purchased in the store and dropped off at temple, or can be [ordered online](#) and mailed directly.

These gift cards will be donated to the Morgan Hill Safe Park where families facing homelessness are living in their car or RV. The Safe Park is supported by social workers who will distribute the gifts to the families.

If you are interested in learning more about our Tikkun Olam Committee, please contact Susan Meyers at TkkunOlam@emeth.net.



Key Voting Resources

Registering to vote

Santa Clara County:

registertovote.ca.gov

San Benito County: www.SBCvote.us

Voting-official ballot drop box

locations and vote centers

Santa Clara County:

www.scccvote.org/voterschoice

San Benito County:

www.benitolink.com

Tracking your ballot

Santa Clara County:

www.wheresmyballot.sos.ca.gov

San Benito County: www.SBCvote.us



ROSH HASHANA GIFT BAGS

This year, instead of providing our families with a beautiful Rosh Hashanah Oneg, Sisterhood is supporting an alternative way to celebrate the beginning of our new year. Families are invited to the temple parking lot for a drive-thru gift bag pick up (and Target gift card drop off) on Sunday, September 13th. Rabbi Dantowitz will be there to meet you with a gift bag filled with symbols and wishes for a L'Shana Tova, a year of Good Health, Love and Peace. **We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, September 13, at the following time - scheduled by last names. If you have multiple last names in your family, choose the time of your convenience.**

A - E	F - H	I - L	M - P	R - Z
1:00 - 1:30 PM	1:30 - 2:00 PM	2:00 - 2:30 PM	2:30 - 3:00 PM	3:00 - 3:30 PM



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CELEBRATING THE HIGH HOLY DAYS ONLINE THIS YEAR

This High Holy Days season is going to be very different than other years, and while there are so many things we will miss, we'll still be able to celebrate and observe! We are not able to gather in large groups in our building for the High Holy Days and we will all certainly miss being together in person, feeling the intensity of the experience in close proximity, singing together and in harmony. But we can be "together" safely on Zoom and we have an opportunity to create a new and very special experience of the High Holy Days at home.

All of Emeth's High Holy Day services will be conducted online this year. Services will be abbreviated due to the Zoom format. The evening services will be approximately 1 ¼ hours and the morning services about 1 ½ hours. On Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur mornings we will offer a special morning Family service (have an apple ready for the Rosh Hashanah one!)

We're excited to have our new Rabbi Faith Joy Dantowitz leading the services, joined by Cantorial Soloist, Mira Weller, a 4th year rabbinical student at the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) and a trained musician. Please see the schedule on page 2 for a full list of service dates and times.



Rabbi Faith Joy Dantowitz



Cantorial Soloist, Mira Weller