Opening the Gates

High Holy Days
2021 / 5782

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Shalom Rav from our Rabbi

By Richard and Rhoda Goldman Senior Rabbi Beth Singer

As I love to remind you, we often pen these messages one to two months in advance of publication and, as you already know, post-pandemic, our reality changes slowly and quickly at the same time. Are you still feeling the lingering effects of shelter-in-place? Have you been to the theater? Ball game? Services in the Main? Some in our community leapt back into activities as fast as the rules allowed, while others continue to practice great caution or have even decided that Home is Best!

As I reflect on this past year, which was “more different” than any other year of my previous 32 years in the rabbinate, the thing that strikes me is how Jewish rituals came through the pandemic in flying colors. Even more than that, you, our congregants showed a flexibility and resilience that held us all together during a challenging time. You showed up online. You watched us lead High Holy Days from a mostly empty Main Sanctuary. You rescheduled your treasured life cycles. You did outdoor, everyone-masked B’nai Mitzvah in the courtyard. You showed up in decent numbers for every service, holiday, speaker and educational program. You dropped tool kits off at Temple for homeless, pregnant women, and joined the Temple in doing so many different acts of loving kindness. You even drove up to the Temple entrance and celebrated holy moments from your cars! YOU are the reason Judaism evolves, thrives and persists.

Monday, August 9th, is the first day of the Hebrew month of Elul. This month is designated for spiritual preparation for the High Holy Days ahead. There are countless ways for you to engage and renew. Here are just a few to consider: Each Friday in Elul for the entire month, starting Friday, August 13th, we use a special prayer book with beautiful readings at our One Shabbat 6:00 pm service. Join us. Spend more time in nature throughout Elul. Engage in acts of tzedakah. (Check out our Tzedek Council page on our website for ideas.) If you meditate, find a mantra from the High Holy Day machzor (prayer book); any rabbi or cantor is happy to assist you with finding your mantra. Subscribe to Jewels of Elul. Sign up for Reboot’s 10Q. Pick up a copy of Preparing Your Heart for the High Holy Days: A Guided Journal by Rabbis Kerry Olitzky and Rachel T. Sabath. Add to your Jewish library by picking up a copy of Rabbi Alan Lew’s (of blessed memory) This is Real and You are Completely Unprepared. Post-pandemic, this book is likely to resonate more strongly.

This past year was a year like no other in our lives. But the coming of Elul has happened throughout Jewish history. It was there to help us shift our focus from the material to the spiritual way back when, and it continues to present itself to us with all its possibilities. Happy Elul.
Prepare with Us

S’LICHOT FESTIVAL SERVICE
Saturday, August 28, 8:00 pm
Main Sanctuary

S’lichot is the first gathering where the High Holy Day Season begins in earnest. In the traditionally late evening service, the melodies — some specific only to the S’lichot service itself — are some of the most beautiful, rich songs that our tradition has to offer. The Torah covers are also ceremoniously changed to all white, representing new beginnings for the new year. The evening will end with the sounding of the shofar, and our very first opportunity to say “L’shana Tova” as a community.

ARK MOMENTS
Courtyard and Sanctuaries
During the month of Elul (August 9 – September 6), we are offering Ark Moments — an opportunity to receive a private blessing with a member of our clergy, followed by 5-10 minute time for just you and your household to have a prayerful moment in front in one of our arks.

Days and times are:
Tuesday 4:00 – 8:00 pm
Friday 4:00 – 5:30 pm
Saturday 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Please register at hhd.emanuelsf.org.

MEDITATIVE ORGAN RECITAL
Wednesday, August 18, 7:00 pm
Main Sanctuary

As part of our month of Elul offerings, as we begin the sacred work of returning to our soul, join us for a meditative pipe organ recital. Find your own personal space in the Main Sanctuary. Cantor Luck will introduce the evening, which will feature contemplative instrumental melodies from the upcoming High Holy Days, as well as various selections meant to encourage individual reflection.

HIGH HOLY DAY MIKVAHS
Sunday, September 5
Baker Beach
This year we have three opportunities for you to have a mikvah experience before diving into services for Rosh HaShanah.

Rosh HaShanah is a time of reflection, return and new beginnings. Please join us for our beautiful annual ritual of mikvah including meditation, chanting and immersion in the incredible Pacific Ocean at Baker Beach. Please bring warm clothes, a towel and an open heart. (Bathing suits optional).

If you have never participated, please feel free to reach out to Rabbi Mintz to answer any questions.

The Tribe Mikvah, with Rabbi Bauer, 5:45 am
Meet at Emanu-El, then head to Baker Beach for sunrise at 6:20 am. For male-identified members. Bathing suits optional.

Women’s Mikvah with Rabbi Mintz, 8:30 am
Meet at Baker Beach. For female-identified members. Bathing suits optional.

All Gender Mikvah with Rabbi Mintz and Cantor Attie, 9:30 am
Meet at Baker Beach. For all genders. Bathing suits optional.

For the most accurate and up-to-date information, visit our High Holy Days website at hhd.emanuelsf.org.
High Holy Day Services 2021/5782

The rabbis leading each service are listed by service. Cantors Attie and Luck will provide music with their accompanists. All services are available in-person for Emanu-El members. Advance registration required for all of the following programs and services for COVID tracing purposes. Services with this symbol will be livestreamed for the community.

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This year we will combine the grandeur and majesty of the “Classic” service with the warmth and intimacy of the “Contemporary” service. There will be one service in this hybrid style each day, and two on Kol Nidre. The services will be identical musically and in their spirituality, with different sermon leaders. Cantors Attie and Luck will provide music with their accompanists. Sermons are posted after each service.

Erev Rosh HaShanah
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
Opening The Gates: Erev Rosh HaShanah Service 1
6:00 – 7:30 pm
Main Sanctuary
Service led by Rabbi Sydney Mintz and Rabbi Ryan Bauer.
Sermon by Rabbi Jonathan Singer.

Rosh HaShanah Day
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
Opening the Gates: Rosh HaShanah Day
10:00 – 11:30 am
Main Sanctuary
Service led by Rabbis Beth and Jonathan Singer. Sermon by Rabbi Sydney Mintz.

Apples and Honey: Rosh HaShanah Festival
(Young Families), 10:00 – 12:00 pm
Presidio Wall Park (formerly Julius Kahn Park)
Join Rabbi Sarah Joselow Parris, Jonathan Bayer, and the CEEP and YFE teams for outdoor children's services and activities from 10:00 – 11:30 am at Presidio Wall (Julius Kahn Park). Stop by for a bit or stay a while with a blanket and enjoy celebrating Rosh HaShanah together with other young families.
10:00 am: Young children's service and story time (ages 2-6)
10:30 am: Activities, stations, music, and fun!
11:00 am: Older children's service (ages 4-8)

Return Again: Teen-Led Rosh HaShanah Service
2:30 – 3:30 pm
Community Service in which our teens and teen alumni will lead us in song, worship, poetry and prose. Led by Cantor Attie and musical accompanists.

New Year, New Me: Judaism’s Take on Renewal and New Beginnings — Zoom Teaching with Rabbi Sarah Parris, 2:30 – 3:30 pm
The Mishnah teaches us that there are four new years and

Tashlish: Letting Go Together Service and Concert, 5:30 – 7:00 pm
Baker Beach
As instructed by the Prophet Micah, we gather to throw breadcrumbs into the water on Rosh HaShanah afternoon. This ceremony is called Tashlich and represents a symbolic casting away of the transgressions of the past year. Dress casually (and warmly), bring some breadcrumbs and join us for this meaningful ceremony of song and personal reflection. Led by Emanu-El clergy and musicians.

2nd Day Rosh HaShanah
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
Rosh HaShanah Second Day Service
10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Main Sanctuary
Cantor Arik Luck and musicians, along with Rabbi Jonathan Singer, Rabbi Ryan Bauer and Rabbinic Intern Leo Fuchs will lead a full-length, eclectic traditional style Reform Rosh
HaShanah service. The music will draw upon multiple genres, including the master composers of the old world, Eastern European chazzanut, Emanu-El commissioned music from nearly 100 years ago, as well as newer, elevated melodies.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
Shabbat Shuvah with Rabbi Lawrence Kushner, 6:00 pm
*Main Sanctuary*
Join us on Friday, September 10, for our Shabbat Shuvah One Shabbat service. Special Guest Rabbi Lawrence Kushner will deliver the sermon, “That’s Just How Time Works: Memory, Dreams and Age.” Registration is required; visit emanuelsf.org/calendar for more information.

Kol Nidre
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Opening the Gates: Kol Nidre Service 1
6:00 – 7:30 pm
*Main Sanctuary*
Service led by Rabbi Beth Singer and Rabbi Jason Rodich. Sermon by Rabbi Ryan Bauer.

Opening the Gates: Kol Nidre Service 2
8:15 – 9:45 pm
*Main Sanctuary*
Service led by Rabbi Beth Singer and Rabbi Jason Rodich. Sermon by Rabbi Ryan Bauer.

Yom Kippur Day
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Stay Engaged and Pray for the Day

Personal Reflection Space
*Open all day: Chapel*
Come into this sacred space for your own quiet reflection throughout the day. There will be liturgical music and inspirational quotes available to help you get centered for the holiday.

Opening the Gates: Yom Kippur Day
10:00 – 11:30 am
*LIVE STREAM*
*Main Sanctuary*
Service led by Rabbi Jonathan Singer and Rabbi Sydney Mintz. Sermon by Rabbi Jason Rodich.

Learning Session with Emanu-El Scholar, Rabbi Lawrence Kushner, 10:00 – 11:00 am
*LIVE STREAM*
The only thing God ever says: ‘Come Home.’ A re-examination of some of the classical texts on the importance and meaning of teshuva.

Apples and Honey: Yom Kippur Gathering (Young Families) 10:00 – 12:00 pm
*Presidio Wall Park (formerly Julius Kahn Park)*
Join Rabbi Sarah Joselow Parris, Jonathan Bayer, and the CEEP and YFE teams for outdoor children’s services and activities from 10:00 – 11:30 am at Presidio Wall (Julius Kahn Park). Stop by for a bit or stay a while with a blanket and mark the day of Yom Kippur together with other young families.
10:00 am Young children’s service and story time (ages 2-6)
10:30 am Activities, stations, music, and fun!
11:00 am Older children’s service (ages 4-8)

Learning Session with Taube Emanu-El Scholar and Senior Rabbi Emeritus Stephen Pearce, Ph.D.
11:30 am – 12:30 pm
*LIVE STREAM*
“That Reminds Me of a Joke.” Well-placed humor has enormous impact because it reveals hidden truths. As Shakespeare wrote in King Lear: “Jesters do oft prove prophets.” This workshop will explore the power of purpose-driven humor as opposed to random off-the-cuff comments merely meant to get a laugh.

Ticketing Information
Each household must register by August 25 for the specific services they wish to attend using the High Holy Day website. Membership must be current to reserve seats in the sanctuary (renewed dues for 2022). Tickets will not be mailed automatically to each household. We do have a limited number of guest tickets for purchase, and limited reciprocity tickets.
Meditation and Healing in the Redwoods
1:30 – 4:00 pm
Meet at the front gate of the Temple to walk to the Redwoods together.
Join Rabbi Sydney Mintz, Rabbi Beth Singer, Rabbi Jason Rodich and our musicians as we journey together from the Temple through the Arguello Gate and into the Redwoods for guided meditation, music, silence, chanting and healing prayers. Never been to the Redwoods on Yom Kippur before? Join us! Annual tradition of going with Emanu-El to the Redwoods? Join us (again!). Love the intimate experience of the healing service of past years? Join us this year to experience sacred space and time in the Redwoods.

Tzedek Council: Translating Our Values Into Action, 1:30 – 3:00 pm LIVE STREAM
Martin Meyer Sanctuary
The Tzedek Council invites you to join us on Yom Kippur as we renew our commitment to transform our world from how it “is” to how it “ought to be”. Hear from local changemakers making an impact in racial inequality, homelessness, and civic engagement. Hear about volunteer and educational opportunities for the coming year, and how you can get involved in sacred work that will have a positive impact in our time, and for generations to come. Together our activism creates a living Judaism that will endure.

Splitting the Waters and Crossing the Sea
Jewish Ideas about Growth and Transformation
3:00 – 4:00 pm
Part of Redwoods Experience, in the Presidio
Join Rabbi Rodich for study and conversation about spiritual and textual resources from our tradition that can help us as we make our way through life. This is not just for people in a tough spot; it’s for anyone who is interested in personal/family/community growth as a spiritual practice. Come pick up a few gems of wisdom to help people who do things like have relationships with others, clean their dishes, go to work, walk the dog, worry about the future, raise kids, and try to do the right thing (most of the time).

Return Again: Teen Led Yom Kippur Service
3:00 – 4:00 pm LIVE STREAM
Main Sanctuary
Community Service in which our teens and teen alumni will lead us in song, worship, poetry and prose. Led by Cantor Attie and musical accompanists.

Meditational Azkarah Service
4:30 – 5:15 pm LIVE STREAM
Main Sanctuary
We take a meditative, musical journey through the Jewish past as we seek inspiration to push open the gates of a new year of meaning.

Yizkor/Neilah/Havdallah
5:30 – 7:00 pm LIVE STREAM
Main Sanctuary
Led by Emanu-El clergy and musical accompanists.

SAVE THE DATE

Sukkot Community Celebration and Shimon Attie Artist Talk
Monday, September 20
6:30 – 8:30 pm
Experience the joy of Sukkot, as we gather to celebrate once again, in person. The evening will begin with a brief service, leading into a presentation by the internationally renowned artist, Shimon Attie (and brother of our own Cantor Attie), whose powerful floating installation, Night Watch, will travel the San Francisco Bay shoreline from September 17-19. The evening will conclude with music and revelry in the sukkah, under the stars...or fog.

Sukkot
More Sukkot information will be coming soon. Please check emanuelsf.org or wait for our September Chronicle for Sukkot schedules and information!
Emanu-El B’Bayit

Are you looking to find your people at Emanu-El? Want to build deeper relationships with others who share your interests, passions, and life experiences?

Last year, Emanu-El launched our small groups program, Emanu-El B’Bayit, and it was a huge hit! B’Bayit is Hebrew for “at home” and Emanu-El B’Bayit is our way of helping you to find your people at Emanu-El, get to know a small group of fellow congregants well, and help make our large congregation feel small.

In 2020-2021 over 330 Emanu-El households in search of meaningful connections joined B’Bayit groups and we would love you to join us this year. Check out some participants’ experiences and groups that will be continuing this fall!

B’BAYIT GROUPS

- Marin Boomers
- Young Adult Book Club
- Accent on Brooklyn
- New Parents (Under 35)
- New Parents (35+)
- SF Boomers
- SF Boomers Explorers
- Women’s Circle
- Wayfinding Through Divorce and After
- Women’s Challah Baking
- Single Parents
- Jewish & Israeli Movies Group
- Knitting, Needlework, & Schmoozing
- JCL Tutors
- Teens and Tweens
- 18+ Road Cycling Club
- Baseball Fans

“It was extremely valuable to cultivate and receive the sense of community that being in the group provided, especially during the period right before the High Holy Days.”
**Youth and Family Education**

**YFE in the Coming Year**

“Educate a child according to their own way.” The Youth and Family Education (YFE) team will attempt to heed this guidance from Proverbs 22:6 by developing a set of learning pathways. Families will choose the pathway best suited to their child. In the coming year, we will offer an outdoor pathway for all students in kindergarten through fifth grade modeled on two successful pilot programs. We will also expand the choice between a Beit Midrash (academic) option and a nisayon (experiential) option to include both fourth and fifth grades. In future years, we plan to offer musical, performing arts and film production pathways. In this way, we hope students will find and express meaning in our sacred texts, rituals and history in ways that draw them closer to our tradition. Please share additional ideas for pathways.

**Navigating Complicated Conversations**

“How should we talk to our children about Israel?” This question keeps coming up in conversations with parents who have shared reflections on their experience in YFE and hope for the future. In the coming year, we will partner with the JCRC to offer a five-session series about how to talk to our children about Israel at a time when athletes and schoolteachers, including our city's teachers' union, express great sympathy for the Palestinian cause in a way that makes some Jewish students feel unseen and marginalized. Session topics will include developmentally appropriate ways of discussing the topic at a variety of ages, understanding where Jewish identity fits into discussions about race, racism, ethnicity and diversity, understanding the line between legitimate criticism of Israel and antisemitism, and how to advocate for your child in school.

Registration for YFE is well underway.

For more information about each grade level, including new programs in 6th and 7th grade, and in order to register or put your name on the wait list for programs that have filled up, please visit the YFE website: emanuelsf.org/YFE
We sincerely appreciate all donors who have contributed to Congregation Emanu-El’s 2021 Impact Fund from July 1st, 2020 to June 30th, 2021. There are many ways in which our community supports the Congregation: dues, gifts to specific funds, Impact Fund, and pledges to the Emanu-El Next capital campaign. We thank everyone for their generous participation in all ways. The Impact (annual) Fund helps to make Emanu-El accessible at all levels of dues and income. We rely on gifts to the Impact Fund to keep our community financially stable and thriving, and to provide essential funds to keep our synagogue operating. Your participation empowers us to build a spiritual community that provides opportunities for transformative social justice work, lifelong learning and cultural expression that reinforces positive elements of Jewish history and life. Listed below are gifts to the 2021 Impact Fund. Thank you!

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- **Visit Our Website:** emanuelsf.org/support-us/
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If you need assistance, please contact the Development Office at development@emanuelsf.org

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in appreciation of Rabbi Jonathan Singer
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in honor of Emanu-El clergy
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in honor of their marriage
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in honor of Ari Pearlmutter's Bar Mitzvah
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in celebration of Simona’s conversion
Leilani Aster & Peter Dwares
in honor of Chloe Natana Dwares's Bat Mitzvah
Robert & Randi Fields
in celebration of Isadora Mae Benjamin-Rodich's baby naming
Robert & Randi Fields
in honor of Eyla Bauer's Bat Mitzvah
Brenda Friedler
in honor of Levi Smith's birth
Brenda Friedler
in honor of Amy Haymon
Brenda Friedler
in honor of Lindy McClary
Brenda Friedler
in honor of Rabbi Pearce and Dr. Laurie Pearce
Ann Goodman
in honor of Jena & Jon Goodman
Jonathan Holman & Diana Grand
in celebration of Isadora Mae Benjamin Rodich's baby naming
George Landau
in honor of Dr. Miere Landau
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Zach Shapiro
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Craig Smollin & Jean Yuan
in celebration of Kai Smollin

Harold & Vera Stein
in honor of Elya Bauer’s Bat Mitzvah

Lynne Thier
in memory of Eleanor Miller

Katherine Tick

Barry Traub

Albert Villa (3)

Lawrence & Caroline Werboff
in celebration of Elya Bauer’s Bat Mitzvah

Susan Wolin & Ralph Protsik

Paul Zarefsky & Jacob Zarefsky
in memory of Jacqueline Reed

Paul Zarefsky & Marsha Felton
in honor of Rabbi Ed Zerin's 101st Birthday

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in honor of Elya Bauer’s Bat Mitzvah

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George Landau
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Julie & David Levine
in honor of Rosalind Hope Wolff’s birth

Julie & David Levine
in honor of Eyla Bauer’s Bat Mitzvah

Julie & David Levine
in honor of Isadora Mae Benjamin Rodich’s baby naming

Julie & David Levine
in honor of this year’s Confirmation Class
and all those who assisted

Meredith & Erez Levy
in celebration of Eyla Bauer’s Bat Mitzvah

Craig Miller & Jacqueline Shelton-Miller
in memory of Isak Khodak

Craig Miller & Jacqueline Shelton-Miller
in observance of the Yahrzeit of Ilse A. Shelton

Craig Miller & Jacqueline Shelton-Miller
in memory of Eleanor Miller

Harry & Marilyn Nebenzahl
in memory of Dora Nebenzahl

Harry & Marilyn Nebenzahl
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B’nei Mitzvah

Ella and Sofia Rubenstein
B’not Mitzvah: July 31, 2021
Parents: Krista Ramonas and Gordon Rubenstein
Torah Portion: Ekev

Alec Rabb
Bar Mitzvah: August 7, 2021
Parents: Dana and Erica Rabb
Torah Portion: Emor

Oscar Melet
Bar Mitzvah: August 7, 2021
Parents: Nicole and Stone Melet
Torah Portion: Reeh

Sadie Kodner
Bat Mitzvah: August 14, 2021
Parents: Jennifer Kodner and Andrew Kodner
Torah Portion: Vayishlach

Cole Kurin
Bar Mitzvah: August 14, 2021
Parents: Eryn and Jeffrey Kurin
Torah Portion: Ki Tetze

Asher Grossman
Bar Mitzvah: August 14, 2021
Parents: Michelle Sintov and Gary Grossman
Torah Portion: Shoftim

Marlowe Hirsch
Bat Mitzvah: August 21, 2021
Parents: Jana Stewart and Evan Hirsch
Torah Portion: Ki Teitzei

Hannah Katznelson
Bat Mitzvah: August 21, 2021
Parents: Trudy Edelson and Steven Katznelson
Torah Portion: Vayera

Ari Nystrom-Rice
Bar Mitzvah: August 21, 2021
Parents: Ellen Nystrom and Erik Rice
Torah Portion: Balak

Jacob Lutterkort
Bar Mitzvah: August 21, 2021
Parents: Tamara Troy and David Lutterkort
Torah Portion: Ki Tetze

Sidney Fell
Bar Mitzvah: August 28, 2021
Parents: Alexandra and Samuel Fell
Torah Portion: Ki Tavo

Jacob Heller
Bar Mitzvah: August 28, 2021
Parents: Andy Heller and Stephany Mass-Heller
Torah Portion: Ekev
**Condolences to Our Members Who Have Suffered A Recent Loss**

Paul Bailin (Jennifer Wenzel) on the loss of his mother; and Eliana Bailin on the loss of her grandmother, Jerry Bailin.

Dr. John Kerner on the loss of his wife, Gwen Kerner.

Svetlana Leykin (Vladimir) on the loss of her father; Dima (Tatyana) and Robert Leykin on the loss of their grandfather, and Shayna and Hannah Leykin on the loss of their great-grandfather, Issak Khodak.

Katherine Tick (Fred Raker) on the loss of her mother, and Emma and Samuel Tick-Raker on the loss of their grandmother, Steffi Tick.

Steven Gaman (Van Luu) on the loss of his brother, Philip Gaman.

Jeannie Miller and Susie (Denis) Roy on the passing of their mother; Tucker, Taylor and Zachary (Kelly Stewart) Roy on the loss of their grandmother, Eleanor Miller.

Loren Woo on the loss of his wife; Elaine and Madeline Woo on the loss of their mother, Karen Liberman.

Terri Forman on the loss of her former husband; Hallie Forman on the loss of her father, Max Forman.

Lois Wander on the loss of her father, Herb Wander.

Lorie Rice on the loss of her husband, Bernard Rice.

Jackie Ferris (Jonathan) on the loss of her uncle; Reuben and Lilah Ferris on the loss of their great-uncle, Victor A. Levi.

Leslie Friedman (Jonathan Clark) on the loss of her mother, Dorismae Hacker Friedman.

Julia Bergman (Adam) on the loss of her mother; Aaron and Sarah Bergman on the loss of their grandmother, Sheila Parton.

Alan Ovson on the loss of his wife, Susan Cole.

Noah Wintroub (Carey) on the loss of his grandmother; Bennett, Dylan and Quinn Wintroub on the loss of their great-grandmother, Ruth Teitel Wintroub.

Barry Traub on the loss of his wife, Marjorie Traub.

Our community mourns the loss of Gertrud Baer, Arthur Brunwasser and Stella Daniels.

**Mazel Tov to Our Members Who Have Experienced Joy**

Drs. Zoe Quandt and Ethan Brown on the birth of their daughter; Jack Brown on the birth of his sister, and Laura Myers and Kenneth Quandt on the birth of their granddaughter, Josephine Sierra Brown.

Ashley and Zachary Adell on the birth of their twin daughters, Dolly Noor and Leni Bee. Dolly and Leni join big brother, Gus, and big sister, Rue.

Susan and Noah Rosenthal on the birth of their daughter, Zoe Alyce Rosenthal.

Ashley and Josh Rutberg on the birth of their son, Jake Dylan Rutberg. Jake joins big brother Hunter and big sister, Savannah.

Betty Dvorson on the birth of her great-granddaughter, Noa Izabelle Fisher.

Shana Inspektor and Daniel Pepper on getting engaged.

Joshua Karlin-Resnick and Ashley Wells on the birth of their son, Elias Mark Karnick-Wells.

Alexandra Corvin and Eric Walder on the birth of their daughter; Dana Corvin (Harris Weinberg) and Stuart Corvin (Marissa Wertheimer) on the birth of their great-niece; Adele Corvin on the birth of her great-granddaughter, Winnie Rae Walder.

Emily and Alexander Gill on the birth of the daughter, Cecily Anne Brauer Gill.
Achievements

Rabbi Lawrence Kushner’s painting of “The Old Man” has just been juried into the California Art Club’s 110th Gold Medal Exhibition at the Hilbert Museum of California Art on the campus at Chapman University in Orange, CA, July 10 – August 7, 2021.

Stephanie Scott on having her family business featured in a documentary short in the SF Film Festival, titled “Weekend at Gus.”

High school seniors and members of the confirmation class of 2021, Julia and Emma Shaw, the co-chairs of the program Jewish Advocates in Action for Critical Covid-19 Response, for receiving the Outstanding Volunteer Achievement Award.

The San Francisco chapter of the National Council of Jewish Women held its 2021 awards ceremony and banquet on May 23 on Zoom. The Hannah G. Solomon Award was given to Gail Nebenzahl, who started an auxiliary for SFCASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) and is a member of its board of directors. The Outstanding Community Advocate Award went to Gia Daniller-Katz, founder and president of Daniller Consulting Public Affairs.

Welcome New Members

Julia Adler-Milstein
Natalie Alexander
Jonathan Atkins
Leo Beahan
Saul Beahan
Benjamin Berkowitz
Theodore Berkowitz
Samuel Brown
Azriel David
Carla Diamond
Philip Drexler
Matthew Dumanovsky
Elana Estrin
Matthew Field
Robert Goodman
Samuel Greinetz
Brian Gustafson
Chelsea Hughes
Andrew Hunley
Brigette Hunley
Hannah Hunley
Judith Jacobson
Ralph Jacobson
Emmylou Keller
Jaxon Keller
Joanna Keller
William Keller
Boris Kuznets Goldberg
Ariel Linden
Gabi Linden
Jonah Linden
Michele Mozelsio
Hyacinth O’Connor
Marisol O’Connor
Steven O’Connor
Jorge Ordaz
Madeline Pantoni
Rebecca Pauly
Joshua Reynolds
Megan Reynolds
Francesca Rodriguez
Lindsey Sedlack
Jaymee Senigaglia
Khan Shoieb
Tanya Shhtutman
Rebecca Siegel
Justin Slayen
Elise Sobolski
Katia Sobolski
Joseph Stern
Risha Stern
Sophia Yeres

Welcome Back Rejoined Members

Adam Alban
Eliana Alban
Tali Alban
Tuesday Alban
Eli Ansari
Jim Brennan
Miles Brennan
Naomi Brennan
Bruce Burnam
Megan Butterly Green
Courtney Feldman
Eliott Feldman
Heath Feldman
Nancy Gabbay
Nelda Gabbay
Ross Green
Zoe Green
Sloane Green
Rachel Kay
Denise Lefberg
Natalie Lefberg
Joshua Lerner
Ava Lerner
Bernard Levin
Diane Levy

Jamie Ormond
Jack O’Sullivan
Nava O’Sullivan
Peter O’Sullivan
Tatum O’Sullivan
Claire Perelman
Frederick Schwarcz
Jonah Schwarz
Priscille Schwartz-Besson
Ethan Shaffer
Inna Shaffer
Jay Schaffer
Shana Stanton
Kevin Vickery
We are thrilled to announce that Congregation Emanu-El has become the first House of Worship in San Francisco to be certified as a Green Business!

The qualification process was rigorous and required upgrading Emanu-El’s lighting and water fixtures to be highly efficient, removing toxic products, ensuring high recycled content in paper products, effectively recycling and composting our waste, among many other things. This effort advances our commitment to be stewards of the world.