A Thanksgiving to Remember: Interfaith Thanksgiving Prayer Service

Tuesday, November 23, 10:00 am via livestream at emanuelsf.org/live or on Facebook Live.

We are proud to announce that Emanu-El Board member and longtime congregant Rita Semel will be honored by the San Francisco Interfaith Council on the occasion of her 100th birthday!

During this event, our friends at the Interfaith Council will give thanks for our many blessings, pray for the peace and health of our city, state, nation and world, and honor the 100th Birthday of Founder & Past Chair Rita R. Semel. Visit emanuelsf.org/thanksgiving2021 for updates.

Young Adult Movie Night: Shiva Baby

Sunday, November 14, 3:00 – 5:30 pm

All 20s & 30s are invited to join Emanu-El’s Young Adult Community for our first movie screening in the Martin Meyer Sanctuary! We’ll be screening writer/director Emma Seligman’s Shiva Baby (2020). Stick around after the film for a short, lively discussion led by the Young Adult Leadership Committee’s own Thaïs Miller. We’ll talk about Jewish humor, recent controversies over the depiction of Jewish women in US media, and the representation of contemporary Jewish ritual and LGBTQ+ Jews on screen. There might even be goodie bags full of movie theater-themed treats to take home. Bring your mask, proof of vaccination, and your best friends! Schmoozing starts at 3:15 pm, and the film starts promptly at 3:30 pm. This is a program of Emanu-El’s 20s & 30s Young Adult Community — thank you for respecting this age requirement.
How Community Cares for Each Other

Shalom Rav from Richard and Rhoda Goldman
Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer

For many American Jews, the explanation for
the popularity of Chanukah lies in its proximity
to Christmas. The seemingly fickle rules of Jewish
calendar resist this easy explanation. Since the
calendar is a lunar/solar, it fails to always line up
with our expectations. Instead of falling in mid-
or late December, this year Chanukah falls at the end
of November, coinciding with Thanksgiving weekend.
Those Jews anxious for a Jewish expression of lights
to compete with that most Jewish boy’s birthday must find
another means to satiate that desire. I recommend, as
have so many, plentiful portions of Chinese food and a
good movie, though this year I encourage you to join us
that eve for what will be a beautiful Shabbat service.
The proximity of Chanukah with Thanksgiving this
year does cause one to ponder the fact that, at least in
American folklore, these holidays are both connected
to religious freedom.

Chanukah, which means rededication, is not directly
connected to the Maccabees having defeated the
Assyrian Greeks who were working to unite their empire
by forcing all the religious centers — including the
Temple in Jerusalem — to practice a religious syncretism
that embraced worshiping the Greek gods along with
so-called local deities. No, Chanukah is not declared as a
result of military victory, but celebrates the Maccabees
retaking control of the Temple, cleansing it of the
Assyrian idols, and rekindling the lights of the menorahs
in the Temple precinct. Victory over the Assyrians would
take a few more years of struggle. When we kindle our
Chanukah menorahs we are celebrating that they cast
the light of religious freedom.

In terms of Thanksgiving, we are taught that the
Pilgrims, like many other European groups, came here
in search of religious freedom for themselves as well.
They were religious Puritans of a sect that was fleeing
persecution and came to these shores to escape
religious hatred. The feast they participated in
with Native Americans was a festival of
gratitude for the harvest and for survival.

Chanukah, too, involves
a feast. We are taught to
eat foods rich in oil just as
the lights of the Temple
in Jerusalem were kindled
with olive oil. In your homes
that week, I hope you will
embrace both the Ashkenazi
tradition of eating latkes
(potato pancakes with sour
cream and applesauce)
and the Sephardi custom
of eating sufganiyot (jelly
donuts). Like Thanksgiving,
this is not a low-calorie
holiday!

I hope you also join us in our outdoor Chanukah
lightings. We’re having a major one on the third night
of the festival, Tuesday, November 30, at the Bandshell
in Golden Gate Park. We do so to publicly and joyfully
express our Jewish identity as a religious and cultural
minority in this great country that embraces religious
freedom for all. Maybe it is good that this year these
two holidays fall together. In a time when some might
want to promote a monolithically religious America, let
our celebration of Chanukah be a reminder that each of
us in our own beautiful way — Christian, Muslim, Jew,
Hindu, Buddhist and all others — cast our particular
light of blessing with the hope that all may share in it
and be warmed by it.

Happy Chanukah and Thanksgiving!
Rabbi Jonathan Singer
Chanukah—
The Festival of Lights

Visit emanuelsf.org/chanukah for more information and to register for our Chanukah programs.

Projecting Light in the Darkness

Original Installation by Ben Wood
November 28 – December 6.

This Chanukah, stroll past our building and look up! An innovative art project by multimedia storyteller and Emanu-El member, Ben Wood will be projected on Emanu-El’s facade from November 28 – December 6. This large-scale light installation reanimates details of our local, Jewish history by interweaving holiday and archival images. You are invited to drive or stroll past our building on Arguello after sundown to celebrate the miracle of the Festival of Lights! A special thank you to congregant Judi Leff for lending her expertise and research to make this historic project possible.

Community Chanukah Candle Lighting and Celebration

Tuesday, November 30, 5:30 – 6:30 pm
At the Golden Gate Park Bandshell. Advance RSVP Required.

Bring your friends, your family, and yourself to Golden Gate Park the evening of November 30, as we welcome the light of Chanukah together! From 5:30 – 6:30 pm, Jonathan Bayer and clergy will lead families in holiday song and activities. At 6:00 pm, our clergy will light the menorah and lead us in joyful song and dance. Latkes and treats will fill the stomach, and the joy of gathering together will warm the soul.

One Shabbat — Teen-Led Chanukah Service

Friday, December 3, 6:00 – 7:00 pm
Main Sanctuary. Advance RSVP Required

The flames of the Chanukah menorah are a symbol of Jewish identity and continuity. We light the menorah for eight days to remember the miracle of the human spirit and honor the light of rededication and the Maccabees who put their trust in God. Join us as we bask in the light of community with a special teen-led Chanukah Kabbalat Shabbat service, which will include a community candle lighting, infused with beautiful music and a spiritual welcoming of the holiday, led by our clergy. This special Shabbat is intended to be enjoyed by families and adults alike. RSVP to attend in person, tune in for the Livestream Kabbalat Shabbat on our website, or participate on Facebook Live.
Chanukah Havdallah with NFTY
Saturday, December 4, 2:00 – 6:00 pm
We are so excited to be hosting a Chanukah Havdallah, in partnership with NFTY-CWR. High schoolers, come and have an afternoon full of fun, pizza, swag, and friends! This event is open to 9 – 12 graders and admission is $20. To learn more and register, visit emanuelsf.org/calendar.

Light of Giving
Sunday, December 12, 2021
Join Emanu-El as we bring light to our local community during the long winter months. Tzedek Council invites you and your family to participate in our beloved annual tradition of Light of Giving. We believe that individuals that have experienced homelessness need safe, supported and affordable housing to stabilize their lives. This year’s partner will be HomeRise’s Mission Bay Block 9, a housing development that will provide wraparound supportive services and stable housing to 140 chronically unhoused adults exiting homelessness. We hope to help them rebuild their lives and assist in their transition to stability by providing basic necessities that no one should live without.

Last year’s Light of Giving raised over $30,000 to purchase strollers, car seats and portable cribs for Homeless Prenatal Program, in addition to 100 boxes of kitchen staples assembled by our congregants. Your participation this year will enable us to spread a message of resiliency and light to those in need this holiday season. Save the date with more information to come!

Please visit emanuelsf.org/community/get-involved/ to learn more.
What Do We Eat on Chanukah — and Why?

By Kate Bigam Kaput
reformJudaism.com

On Chanukah, we traditionally serve holiday dishes cooked in oil to commemorate the miracle of a single vial of oil lasting eight days. But oil as the Chanukah food of choice was not always so.

One thousand years ago, in the warmer climates of the Mediterranean, Middle East, and North Africa, the Chanukah specialty dish was a cheese latke (pancake), which commemorated Judith’s heroic efforts to save her people during the second century B.C.E. As the story (told in the Apocrypha) goes, the Syrian General Holofernes was sent to Bethulia (due east of Caesarea) by King Nebuchadnesser to annihilate the Jews. To make him thirsty, the beautiful Judith fed him salty cheese, followed by wine. The more he ate, the thirstier he became — and the more wine he drank. When the general passed out, Judith beheaded him, and his troops fled in fear. Thus did Asian Jews come to associate cheese pancakes with the Maccabean victory of their ancestors.

In Eastern Europe, where the climate was considerably colder, Jews did not have easy access to dairy products, so for Chanukah celebrations, they turned to the foods at hand. Raising geese was a Jewish occupation at the time, and in December, fattened geese provided meat and fat for cooking. Potatoes, too, were readily available and cheap, which is how a crisp, golden potato galette cooked in goose fat became a Chanukah favorite.

In Amsterdam in the late 16th century, stewed vegetables became the Chanukah dish of choice in commemoration of the Dutch military victory over the invading Spanish army. At dinner time on October 3, 1574, the Dutch launched a surprise attack on the Spanish military encampment in Leyden, forcing the Spaniards to flee-and abandon simmering pots of stewed vegetables with meat. Associating the siege of Leyden with the Hasmonean victory, Dutch Jews established the tradition of serving a mashed stew of vegetables with kielbasa on Chanukah.
Global Chanukah Cuisine

Berenjenas con miel: Spanish Jews eat deep-fried eggplant rounds drizzled with honey.

Buñuelos: This light-as-air fried dough dessert is popular in Mexico, Cuba, and Colombia.

Cassola: Baked ricotta cheesecake originated in Italy, now frequently found in the form of cheese pancakes.

Frituras de malanga: Cuban taro fritters have a mild flavor and are perfect for Chanukah.

Gulam jamun: Deep-fried milk balls are popular in India, typically soaked in rose-flavored syrup.

Keftes de prasa: Leek fritters are popular amongst Sephardic Jews, especially those in Turkey, Greece, and Romania. An alternative is keftes de espinaca, fried spinach patties.

Kibbeh: In the Middle East, dishes made with bulgur grace the Chanukah table, like these meat pies.

Kibbet yatkeen: Syrian pumpkin patties are traditionally made with bulgur.

Malawach: Yemenite Jews top this flaky, fried flatbread with eggs, zhug (a spicy herbed sauce), and other toppings.

Samsa: Sweet, fried dumplings stuffed with walnuts are eaten in Bukhara, or modern-day Uzbekistan.

Sfenj: Deep-fried yeast donuts are popular in Morocco, with or without dusting sugar.

Jalebi: Crispy fritters in squiggly patterns are popular in India, reminiscent of North American funnel cakes.

Rosquitas: This circular fried dough pastry originated in Andalusia (Spain) and is said to represent unity and eternity.

Tostones: Twice-fried smashed plantains are popular in Cuba and throughout Latin America, and they’re perfect for Chanukah.

Panelle: Fried chickpea fritters originated in Sicily and are sometimes even eaten on sandwiches.

Platanos fritos: Fried sweet plantains are popular for Chanukah in Central America, especially Colombia.

Zalabia: Yemenite fried dough, topped with powdered sugar or honey, is a popular dessert at Chanukah and other holidays.

Bringing Chanukah to Our Young Adult Community

Chanukah is for celebrating, gathering, and eating delicious food. YALC wants to bring some Chanukah joy right to your doorstep with a free Chanukah kit this December! These kits will include gelt, a tin menorah, and more. Sign up today to get your free Chanukah kit! There are limited supplies, so fill out the form by November 15 at emanuelsf.org/chanukah.
Adult Education

Fabulous Texts from our Tradition with Rabbi Jason Rodich

Dates: November 3, 10 and 17, 12:00 – 12:55 pm on Zoom.
Join Rabbi Rodich over lunch via Zoom for three 55-minute sessions of learning that you can do in the middle of your day! Over these sessions, we will take a look at a few gems that are Rabbi Rodich's favorites. You don't need to know anything or prepare anything or pay anything. Just come and learn, no pressure, and hopefully, a little fun.

In the first session, we will study the case of the rebellious son in Deuteronomy. That's the cringe-worthy episode in which the Torah tells us to stone a rebellious child. We will also take a look at how the rabbis mitigated this horrific idea.

In the second session, we will study ideas about redemption in Judaism. In other words, what does Judaism have to say about transforming the unbearable and painful into hope and possibility? Does God save us?

In the third session, we will learn a little bit about Jewish mystical ideas and more from a cat. Really. We will read excerpts from the recently published, Tales of the Holy Mysticat, a wonderful book by Rabbi Rachel Adler, PhD. Rabbi Adler was Rabbi Rodich's thesis advisor, and, despite his terrible feline allergies, he had the great honor of meeting the Holy Mysticat while working on said thesis.

Israel’s Weizmann Institute To Launch a Satellite to Explore the Origins of the Universe and Search for Extraterrestrial Life

When: Thursday, November 18, 11:00 am (please note new time)
Where: Virtual, Open to the community

Imagine a satellite (ULTRASAT) weighing less than 500 pounds — half as much as a horse — that will revolutionize our view and understanding of the Universe.

Because of rapid developments in technology and know-how from a small place (the Weizmann Institute of Science), in a small country (Israel), a never-before-possible worldwide impact is now possible at a modest price and in a short time frame.

When combined with ground-based telescopes in Israel’s Negev Desert and connections to Earth’s most sophisticated telescopes and scientific partners, Weizmann scientists will be able to unlock the mysteries of the Universe: gravitational waves — the discovery of which may be the single most important development since Galileo’s telescope — supernovas, mutant planets and white dwarfs, and help find the most likely hospitable and habitable planets for intelligent life.

Join us on November 18 to hear more from the scientists and technicians who will make this all possible in just three short years. Then, join us in 2024 at the Weizmann Institute, where we’ll have a front-row seat when ULTRASAT scans the heavens in real time to alert us and the global scientific community that the show is about to begin.

Learn more and register at emanuelsf.org/israel.
Scholar in Residence

This program is made possible by the
Charles Michael Endowment Fund scholar-in-residence weekend.

Judy Batalion is the New York Times bestselling author of the highly-acclaimed The Light Of Days: The Untold Story of Women Resistance Fighters in Hitler’s Ghettos, published by William Morrow in April 2021. The Light Of Days has been published in a young readers' edition, will be translated into 19 languages, and has been optioned by Steven Spielberg for a major motion picture for which Judy is co-writing the screenplay. Judy is also the author of White Walls: A Memoir About Motherhood, Daughterhood and the Mess in Between, optioned by Warner Brothers, and her essays have appeared in the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Forward, Vogue, and many other publications. Judy has a BA in the History of Science from Harvard, and a PhD in the History of Art from the Courtauld Institute, University of London, and has worked as a museum curator and university lecturer. Born in Montreal, where she grew up speaking English, French, Hebrew, and Yiddish, she lives in New York with her husband and three children.

For more information and to register, visit emanuelsf.org/adulted.

Friday, November 5, 6:00 pm
Sermon during Shabbat
The Light of Days: The Untold Story of Women Resistance Fighters in Hitler's Ghettos (part 1)

Friday, November 5, 7:00 pm
Extended exploration of The Light of Days
30-minute Q&A immediately following Shabbat which will include a short video slide presentation.

Saturday, November 6, 9:15 am
Torah Study
Silences: Story behind the untold stories of the Holocaust

Saturday, November 6, 5:00 pm
Young Adult Happy Hour. (Location TBA)
Author Judy Batalion in conversation with the Young Adult Leadership Committee's own Thaïs Miller

Sunday, November 7, 9:30 am
White Walls, Motherhood, Daughterhood and the Mess in Between
Conversation and exploration about the emotional legacy of the Holocaust.

Cyndy Batalion
Courtesy of Ghetto Fighters' House
Museum, Photo Archive

Judy Batalion

Thaïs Miller
Building on Our Sacred Inheritance—
The Design of Emanu-El Next

Joel Roos, Vice President of the Board of Directors for Congregation Emanu-El, helps to oversee the real estate development of Emanu-El Next. “It’s been a labor of love for so many people in our community,” Joel says. “Emanu-El Next is the community’s project.”

He grew up in Honesdale Pennsylvania, a little town outside of Scranton, PA, “where you'll find what once was referred to as the smallest synagogue in the country.” It was founded in the same year as Emanu-El by his Bavarian Jewish ancestors. “Temple Beth Israel,” he says. “It's a beautiful building about 40 feet long, 40 feet wide, and 30 feet tall, near perfect proportionally, with simple pressed tin off-white walls and ceiling and a beautiful Tiffany chandelier at the center. The bima is like ours at Emanu-El with the clergy nearly at the level of our partitioners. I was taken by that synagogue. It helped formulate my reference point for what I call a harmonious sanctuary space.”

A Partner with Pacific Union Development Company, Joel feels, “creating building product is incredibly satisfying – it’s tangible.” He believes that the success of great buildings and a goal of some of the great world architects is to create harmony in their designs. “When something's out of sync — when the proportions are wrong or the details are fussy — the space distracts,” he remarks. “When you walk into the powerful-volume space of the Main Sanctuary of Emanu-El, with its plane stucco walls and arched openings, you don't always realize why it feels so comfortable and so good. It's subliminal. But you always know when a space feels bad!”

Reflecting on his hometown temple, beside the grand proportions of Emanu-El's Main Sanctuary, Joel sees both as “timeless,” he says. “It must have felt right in the year 1926 and it still feels so great in 2021. I think Mark Cavagnero,” the lead architect of Emanu-El Next, “will bring design sensibility to the courtyard and Temple House that doesn't compete with the simplicity, beauty and importance of the Main Sanctuary. We all want the new spaces that Cavagnero is creating to be considered timeless in a hundred years.”

Emanu-El Next preserves the historic integrity of the perimeter walls and roof lines on Lake and Arguello by dropping a new building within the old one. “The courtyard,” Joel adds, “which is so much a part of the Temple's signature, will have program space above that looks upon the interior court. And those spaces surrounding the center, at the courtyard level and above, will be able to open up to air. The courtyard will become part of the main floor, providing easier indoor and outdoor flow for large crowds. So, when we all gather outside on the high holidays,” he says, “we will be able to gather with our members and friends just as we have done for nearly 100 years.”

The redesigned courtyard will provide, “seamless, modern security so you don't even notice that you're passing through certain gates and levels of safety. It also realigns the original entry point on Lake Street, restoring the procession to the Main Sanctuary, and making the Lake Street entrance more accessible to everyone.” And to top it all, the architects designed the building surrounding the atrium space with large operable glass doors to make the courtyard a more usable event space.

Chair of both Emanu-El’s Master Planning and Financial Oversight Committees, Joel and the Emanu-El team are working with Equity Community Builders to develop the project. He's seen Emanu-El Next evolve from its origins as a seismic retrofit — a response to a structural analysis conducted over five years ago — into what it is today. As we started to explore a Master Planning process to upgrade and modernize our buildings – focusing on the Atrium Building – we found that the facility was not as seismically sound as we would like. “There was no code requirement to take any action. But we felt it was prudent to implement some interim safety measures at the time. So, when you walk into the courtyard today, you'll see what appear to be plywood columns. And within those are additional steel elements that, along
with temporary shoring and catchments, make the courtyard building much safer,” Joel says.

With these interim seismic safety improvements, planning continued. The structural analysis forced Emanu-El’s leadership to re-envision the needs and priorities of the community on a much larger scale. “Why would we only improve one building with an expensive fix and little impact on square footage and functionality?” A choice had to be made. “The team realized that if we were going to retrofit the courtyard, we ought to make the whole building work for us programmatically for the next 100 years.”

Thus, Emanu-El Next adjusted the scope to meet both long- and short-term needs. The synagogue has long been more than a house of worship — it’s a place where people come together to learn, teach our children and teens, and celebrate simchas. Thus the project grew to meet the existing needs of our community and anticipate our future needs.

As seen in the cross sections (above right), Emanu-El Next includes a reclaimed entrance on Lake Street and an expanded basement.

“Many projects in the city have made a decision to expand their subterranean real estate because land is incredibly precious,” Joel gleams from his experience as a developer. “In the original design there’s an unusable basement space. These are the areas with seismic vulnerability.” Through excavation and construction, Emanu-El Next will strengthen the structural integrity beneath the courtyard while creating a member engagement space with offices and a mechanical floor below. “That’s where we’ve expanded much of the program,” Joel points out.

The original staircase on Lake Street ends at the edge of the sidewalk. The new design provides greater accessibility and easier flow for large events by allowing congregants to enter the building at a vestibule, coming in at level area before reaching the elevator and stairs.

Upgrading the temple’s mechanical systems “is really about creating a sustainable Emanu-El for the future,” Joel deduces. “We have a goal of making it carbon neutral. We’re looking at water usage, energy usage, lighting, good pure air exchange, and hardwiring modern technology into the design.” But for all the changes, “humans are hardwired to be together,” he concludes. “And we were given an incredible gift by 350 families who created the synagogue campus back in 1926. This is our opportunity to help maintain and sustain the almost 100-year-old building and to be a part of making it even better.”

Joel confesses that Emanu-El Next is the most moving project he’s been involved with in his career — and he understands the weight on the entire Emanu-El team of getting this project right. “This really is it!” Joel laughs. “Emanu-El is home to me. And I think the new design will make it an even more remarkable sanctuary and campus for our community to come together.”

Emanu-El Next is less than $3 million away from its $97 million goal! With a generous match from The Koret Foundation, now is the time to contribute and help finish our effort to revitalize our home. You can visit our website, next.emanuelsf.org to learn more and make a gift. Or, if you would like to make a commitment to Emanu-El Next, please contact Julie Weinberg, Director of Development, at jweinberg@emanuelsf.org or (415) 750-7557.
Ways to Give

Making a gift to Emanu-El is a meaningful way to honor friends and family while supporting the synagogue. The Temple offers a variety of donation opportunities so all members can participate in the mitzvah of tzedakah at whatever level is comfortable. For additional information about our different funds and various ways to give, please visit our website.

- **Send us a Check:** 2 Lake Street, San Francisco CA, 94118. Congregation Emanu-El - Attn: Development.
- **Visit Our Website:** emanuelsf.org/support-us/
- **Appreciated Stock Gifts:** The Congregation accepts all contributions made via stock transfers. You will enjoy an immediate tax deduction for the value of the stock transfer and avoid paying capital gains.
- **Corporate Matching:** Many Bay Area companies will match your gift dollar-for-dollar. Please contact your company's matching gifts coordinator to determine whether your gift to Congregation Emanu-El can be matched.
- **Planned Giving:** Including Congregation Emanu-El in your estate planning is a promise to your children, grandchildren, and future generations that Emanu-El will continue to be a thriving home for worship, study, and community.

If you need assistance, please contact the Development Office at development@emanuelsf.org

Thank you for your generosity and participation. Your contributions will help ensure we meet the needs of the Emanu-El community — now and for future generations. The following gifts were received from September 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021.

**CANTORS’ MUSIC FUND** — supports the Congregation's music programs and is used for charitable giving at the Cantors' discretion

Mark Battat
Marcy Belfer
Kellie Burkett
in memory of Mia Mitchell
Lisa and Douglas Goldman Fund
in memory of Sally Berger and in honor of Leo Loecher
Andy Heller
in celebration of Jacob Heller's Bar Mitzvah
Andrew Loveman
Sidney Orr
Jamie & Rory Weinstein
in honor of Steven Weinstein's Bar Mitzvah
Noah & Carey Wintroub
in celebration of Dylan Wintroub's Bar Mitzvah

**EMANU-EL LIFE-CYCLE FUND** — enables all congregants to celebrate significant milestones, regardless of economic circumstances

Francine Farouz
in memory of Dr. Serge Farouz
Shoshana Gleit
Dana Iscoff & Michael Daigian
Julia Sterin
in memory of Tamara and Felix Sterin, Manuil Grabovsky
Stuart & Anita Tanenberg
in honor of Lillian Melinda Collins
Jamie & Rory Weinstein
in celebration of Steven Weinstein's Bar Mitzvah

**EMANU-EL PRESCHOOL FUND** — provides scholarships and support for our Preschool programs

Lindsay Ferstandig
Eric Giardini
Roberta Goldman
Jeffrey & Lana Horowitz
Erica Kaplan
Andrew & Jennifer Rosenthal
Jennifer Saslaw & Max Simkoff

**FLOWERS FOR THE BIMAH**

Benjamin & Leah Spero
in celebration of Eva and Alexis's Bar Mitzvah
Jamie & Rory Weinstein
in celebration of Steven Weinstein's Bar Mitzvah

**FOR THE ROOSEVELT FOOD PANTRY**

Stephanie Scott (2)
in memory of William M. Scott
RABBIS' DISCRETIONARY FUND — used for charitable giving at the Rabbis' discretion.

Rochelle Anixter
in honor of Rabbi Beth Singer

Mark Battat

Elyse Blatt
in memory of Joe Whelan

Brenda Friedler
in celebration of Rabbi Stephen Pearce's 50th anniversary of his ordination

Brenda Friedler
in honor of Christopher Roche

Brenda Friedler
in memory of Andrea Tomberg

Andy Heller
in celebration of Jacob Heller’s Bar Mitzvah

Scott & Vicki Kahn
in honor of Rabbi Stephen Pearce

Michael Nagel & Rochelle Barlas Nagel
in honor of Rabbi Beth Singer

Gary Perlin

Richard Segal & Dorothy Connelly Segal
in honor of Rabbi Lawrence Kushner

Michelle Seidner
in honor of Rabbi Stephen Pearce

Albert Villa

Jamie & Rory Weinstein
in celebration of Steven Weinstein’s Bar Mitzvah

Shelley Williams

Noah & Carey Wintroub
in celebration of Dylan Wintroub’s Bat Mitzvah

Michele Woolfe-Avramov
in honor of Rabbi Beth Singer

TO SUPPORT THE TZEDEK COUNCIL EFFORTS

Andrew Avins & Miriam Kuppermann
in memory of Miriam Rand

YOUTH EDUCATION FUND — supports special programming and materials for the Youth and Family Education Program

Alla Klionsky
in observance of the Yahrzeit of Macia Feldman

Laura Salzman
in memory of Julius Salzman, Leona Salzman and Harry Rubino

Robert Steinberg

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

Sheila Baumgarten
in appreciation of Yom Kippur Service

Betsy Cohn
in honor of Justin Zalkin

Carrie and Tony Brooks
in memory of Joe Whelan

Robert Cohen
in memory of Douglas James Porter

Aaron Forkash
in appreciation of Broadcasting High Holiday Services online

Sonya Friedman
in memory of Bernard Friedman

Carol Geffner
in memory of Betty Geffner and Molly Kravitz

Susen Grossman
in honor of Emanu-El Clergy

Vanessa Hartigan
in honor of Herman Arnow

Harriet Israel
in memory of Mia Mitchell

Richard M. Kaplan & Susan L. Kaplan Philanthropic Fund
in memory of Joyce Farber

Ron & Barbara Kaufman
in honor of Hannah Katznelson

Thomas Kreisman
in honor of Deborah Kreisman

Wendy Lazerson
in memory of Emanuel Lazerson

Fred Levin
in observance of the Yahrzeit of Irving Levin

Meta Pasternak
in memory of Alan D. Pasternak

Holmes, Carla, Molly and Anna Peacher-Ryan
in memory of Joe Whelan

Lisa Stone Pritzker Family Foundation

Michael Prutz
in memory of Joe Whelan

Miriam & Eric Reiter
in honor of Julie Mayer

James & Diana Rogers
in observance of the Yahrzeit of Ernest S. Rogers

Barbara Josephine Rolph
in observance of the Yahrzeit of Henry R. Rolph

Martin & Leesa Romo
Preschool Educators Stipend Fund

Bill Shen
in memory of Joe Whelan

John & Jane Siegel
in observance of the Yahrzeit of Lawrence Israel

Rick & Kathi Silverman
in observance of the Yahrzeit of Betty Mae Spiegelman

Michele Woolfe-Avramov
in observance of the Yahrzeit of Philip Woolfe
WITH GRATITUDE
TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED ABOVE DESIGNATED DUES LEVELS

There are many ways in which our community supports the Congregation: dues, sponsorship dues, gifts to specific funds, Impact (annual) Fund, and pledges to the Emanu-El Next capital campaign. We thank everyone for their generous participation in all ways. These contributions help to make Emanu-El accessible to all and keep Emanu-El financially stable and thriving. Your participation empowers us to build a spiritual community that provides opportunities for transformative social justice work, lifelong learning and culture expression that reinforces Jewish history and life. Listed below are families and individuals who gave above their suggested membership dues for the 21/22 year. Thank you!

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Anonymous (3)</th>
<th>Eva Bloch</th>
<th>Andrew &amp; Suzy Colvin</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ron &amp; Allison Abta</td>
<td>Richard Blum &amp; Dianne Feinstein</td>
<td>Michael Colvin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Linda &amp; Andrew Ach</td>
<td>Robert &amp; Dana Blum</td>
<td>Charles &amp; Nanci Cooper</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Anjali Andrea Alban</td>
<td>Nancy Boas</td>
<td>Scott &amp; Lori Cooper</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ronald Albucher</td>
<td>Norman &amp; Terezie Bohrer</td>
<td>Tracy Cooper</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tania &amp; Laurence Albukerk</td>
<td>Emily &amp; Ethan Bold</td>
<td>Judson Coplan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Caren Alpert</td>
<td>Jeffrey Bornstein</td>
<td>Dana Corvin &amp; Harris Weinberg</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nancy Alpert</td>
<td>Nersi &amp; Eileen Boussina</td>
<td>Stuart Corvin &amp; Marissa Wertheimer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Amy Alterman</td>
<td>Dale Boutiette &amp; Alla Gershberg</td>
<td>Adele Corvin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ian Altman &amp; Laura Scher</td>
<td>Lisa Bransten &amp; John Rumsey</td>
<td>Ken Covinsky</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Camille Angel &amp; Wendy Brummer</td>
<td>Shelley Bransten</td>
<td>Donna Craft</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Denise Aptekar</td>
<td>Aaron Braun &amp; Joan DeHovitz</td>
<td>Valerie Crane Dorfman</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stuart &amp; Myrna Aronoff</td>
<td>Gedalia Braverman</td>
<td>Evan &amp; Bailey Daar</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rebecca Arons &amp; Eric Fastiff</td>
<td>Angela &amp; Alan Braverman</td>
<td>Victoria &amp; Rick Dade</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>David Arrick</td>
<td>Joseph Breall</td>
<td>Brent &amp; Judy Daniel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Laurence &amp; Pamela Baer</td>
<td>Mark &amp; Stephanie Breitbard</td>
<td>Alyse Danis &amp; Charles Borg</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Melissa Baily &amp; Jason Farrow</td>
<td>Abigail Brenner</td>
<td>Anthony David &amp; Kathleen Zemanek</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jonathan &amp; Kristina Ballon</td>
<td>Marilyn Brenner</td>
<td>Leela de Souza Bransten &amp; Peter Bransten</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>John Banner &amp; Diane Assayag Banner</td>
<td>Arnold &amp; Jewel Buckman</td>
<td>Ruth DeHovitz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Roger &amp; Sloan Barnett</td>
<td>Trudy &amp; Joseph Burger</td>
<td>Jeanne Dinkelspiel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Scott Barshack &amp; Lana Nguyen</td>
<td>Bruce Burnam</td>
<td>Pamela Dinkelspiel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Anita Josefa Barzman MD</td>
<td>Trela Caler &amp; Lexy Loewenstein</td>
<td>Steven Dinkelspiel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Justin Bass &amp; Marisa Rolland</td>
<td>Lila Cantor</td>
<td>Jackie Dolev &amp; Matt Cooperberg</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Harry Battat</td>
<td>Libi Cape</td>
<td>Michael Donner</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lance Bayer</td>
<td>Jonathan Caravayo-Strober</td>
<td>Conrad &amp; Sandra Donner</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nancy &amp; Joachim Bechtle</td>
<td>Bari &amp; Sean Cessna</td>
<td>David &amp; Susan Dossetter</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Valli Benesch &amp; Robert Tandler</td>
<td>Melvin &amp; Hella Cheitlin</td>
<td>Benjamin Dreier &amp; Christopher Warner</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Joelle Benioff</td>
<td>Kevin &amp; Christine Chessen</td>
<td>Quetzal DuMont</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Susanna &amp; Milo Benningfield</td>
<td>Diane &amp; Brian Clark</td>
<td>Betty Dverson</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>David &amp; Riva Berelson</td>
<td>Stevie Cline</td>
<td>Mendy Eckhaus</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carol Berg</td>
<td>Jay Cohen &amp; Laura Cox</td>
<td>Zachary &amp; Ashley Edell</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Adam &amp; Julia Bergman</td>
<td>Eric Cohen</td>
<td>Jennifer Ehrlich &amp; Alex Cohen</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Edwin &amp; Patricia Berkowitz</td>
<td>Mitch &amp; Susan Cohen</td>
<td>Charles Ehrlich &amp; Elizabeth McMahon</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Matt &amp; Amy Berler</td>
<td>Bruce &amp; Robyn Cohen</td>
<td>Sara &amp; Christopher Ehrlich</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carol &amp; David Berluti</td>
<td>Steven Cohen</td>
<td>Stuart &amp; Debra Eisendrath</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Elyse Berry</td>
<td>Jacqueline Cohen</td>
<td>Elizabeth &amp; Emil Eisenhardt</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Matthew &amp; Anne Bertenthal</td>
<td>Josh &amp; Jaime Cohen</td>
<td>Jessica &amp; Michael Eisler</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bill Black &amp; Lenore Naxon</td>
<td>Barrett &amp; Tria Cohn</td>
<td>Michael &amp; Nina Endelman</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Elyse Blatt</td>
<td>Richard &amp; Susan Colsky</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Martin Bloch</td>
<td>Bradley &amp; Judith Colton</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

DEVELOPMENT

14 NOVEMBER 2021
Richard & Charlene Maltzman
Pamela Mann & Mark Miller
Marlene Mann
Jerome & Naomi Manning
Eve Maremont
Cary Matthews
Susan May
Aramie & Kevin McDonald
Fran & David Meckler
Rachel Melman
David Melnick
Michelle Mercer & Bruce Golden
Daniel Meyer & Susan Mack
Victor & Alla Mezhvinsky
Jason Miao & Frances Yiu
Jason & Barbara Mighdoll
Judy & Norman Millar
Craig Miller & Jacqueline Shelton-Miller
Richard & Tamara Miller
Jacob Miller
Elizabeth & George Milstein
Laurence & Deborah Mindel
Susan Moldaw & Bob Stallings
Phyllis Moldaw
Susan Molinari
Susan Morris
Marvin & Neva Moskowitz
Martin Muller
Laura Myers & Kenneth Quandt
Eleanor Myers
Mark & Jamie Myers
Michael Nagel & Rochelle Barlas Nagel
Victoria & Mark Nassi
Ronald & Janice Naymark
Robert & Jan Newman
Alisa Nikoff & David Belogolovsky
Jill Nisson & Herk Confer
Kenneth & Deborah Novack
Ellen Nystrom & Erik Rice
Heather & Zack Oelrich
Josh & Laurie Olshansky
Patricia & Charles Ortenberg
Mark & Susan Oscherwitz
Judith & Gary Pasquinelli
Michelle Patterson &
Michael Graham
Justin & Brittany Pattner
Mordechai Pavlovsky &
Timothy Stuebbe
Joseph Pedott & Carol Katz
Karen Pell & Heather Lupa
Rotem Perelmutter
Brian & Karen Perlman
Donald & Valerie Persky
Mark & Orly Petri
Mark Pincus
Edith Piness
Edward & Linda Plant
Regan & Kevin Pluim
Brian Poger & Silvia Cheskes
Jason & Abby Porth
Ben & Erica Portnoy
Robert Portnoy &
Gunilla Haegerstrom-Portnoy
Jonathan Powers & Lindsey Fishleder
Paula Pretlow
Lisa Pritzker
John Pritzker
Eric Prosnitz & Courtney Klinge Erica & Dana Rabb
Gordon Radley
Corey & Kathy Raffel
David Rak & Oren Henry
Larry Rand & Jonathan Fuchs
Mira Rao & David Stinnette
Tali Rapaport & Nicholas Josefowitz
Luba Rassouli
David & Maya Razon
Miriam & Eric Reiter
Robin Reitzes
Ivan Resnikoff & Jessica Dines James & Sheryl Reuben
Megan Reynolds & Samuel Brown
Joshua Reynolds
Lorie Rice
Lila Rich
Joshua Richter & Rachel Levin Daniel Risman-Jones
Miguel Rivera & David Tompkins
Martin Robinson
Mary & David Rockman
Jacob Rogers & Hannah Cummons
Dale Rogers & Lee-Lan Yip
James & Diana Rogers
Anne & Martin Roher
Barbara Josephine Rolph
Martin & Leesa Romo
Joel & Laurie Roos
Richard & Barbara Rosenberg
Alexander & Kelly Jane Rosenblatt
Robert & Anne Rosenfeld
Continued on page 18
Condolences to Our Members Who Have Suffered A Recent Loss

Roni Silverberg on the loss of her mother, Charlotte Levine.

Lisa Pritzker on the loss of her uncle; Sam and Noah Pritzker on the loss of their great-uncle, Roger Stone.

Katherine Mitchell (Jason Rose) on the loss of her mother, Barbara Mitchell.

Sharon Miller on the loss of her husband; Ben and David Miller on the loss of their father, Alan Fisher.

Jordi Pollock (Sam) on the loss of her aunt; Charles Pollock on the loss of his great-aunt, Marilyn Golden.

Emilie Valentine on the loss of her mother; Sadie and Casey Valentine on the loss of their grandmother, Sorca O’Connor.

Rabbi Ed Zerin (Jill Kneeter) on the loss of his brother, Milton Zerin and his sister-in-law, Helen Zerin.

Ellen Rothmann (John) on the loss of her mother; Joel and Samuel Rothmann on the loss of their grandmother, Charlene Tuchman.

Mazel Tov to Our Members Who Have Experienced Joy

Rachel Posman and Timothy Gillihan on the birth of their son, Isaac Levi Gillihan Posman.

Welcome New Members

Cindy Berman
Emily Dubinsky
Adrienne Green
Elizabeth Harkavy
Samuel Kaplan
Louann Katz-Curtis
Amelia Leach
Joshua Leach
Rebecca Leach
Emory Nager
Caroline Papas
Aaron Reuben
Isabel Rich
Noa Schwartz
Joan Stein
Joshua Stein
Joyce Stein

Welcome Back Rejoined Members

McLain Bennett
David Chocron
Dashell Chocron
Dayzye Chocron
Daniel Davis
Sarah Davis
Daniel Davis
Toler Davis
Lissa Franklin
Caleb Katzman
Spencer Katzman
Jared Katzman
Karleen Katzman
Max Katzman
Hayes Krivoy
Brian Krivoy
Arson Ormsby
Jennifer Steiner
Priscilla Tsai
B’nei Mitzvah

Elijah Portnoy
Bar Mitzvah: November 6, 2021
Parents: Erica and Benjamin Portnoy
Torah Portion: Toldot

Talia Egrie
Bat Mitzvah: November 6, 2021
Parents: Lisa Kessler and Glenn Egrie
Torah Portion: Toldot

Alexander Goldberg
Bar Mitzvah: November 13, 2021
Parents: Nancy and Leonard Goldberg
Torah Portion: Vayetze

Cole Taplin
Bar Mitzvah: November 13, 2021
Parents: Kate and Justin Taplin
Torah Portion: Vayetze

Leah Mordehai
Bat Mitzvah: November 20, 2021
Parent: Anya Mordehai
Torah Portion: Vayishlah

Violet and Eli Abta
B’nei Mitzvah: November 20, 2021
Parents: Allison and Ron Abta
Torah Portion: Vayishlah

Scarlet Uziel
Bat Mitzvah: November 27, 2021
Parents: Tara and Jaime Uziel
Torah Portion: Tzav

Ryder Meisel
Bar Mitzvah: November 27, 2021
Parents: Erica Weiss and Jeffrey Meisel
Torah Portion: Vayeshev

Miriam Endelman
Bat Mitzvah: November 27, 2021
Parents: Nina and Michael Endelman
Torah Portion: Vayeshev
Women of Emanu-El
Presidio Hike
Sunday, November 7
10:30 am to 1:00 pm

Join Temple Emanu-El women for a 5-mile hike in The Presidio. We’ll meet outside the Temple Emanu-El Arguello Street entrance at 10:30 am with a goal of returning to the temple by 1:00 pm. Bring water and lunch. If you bring a dog, please ensure you are in compliance with the Presidio’s guidelines. Note: Daylight Savings Time ends on November 7, so please double-check the time prior to arriving. To register, visit emanuelsf.org/calendar.

High Holy Day Food Drive: A Success!

The Congregation Emanu-El community collected and donated over 3,237 pounds of non-perishable foods to the JFCS and SF-Marin Food Banks during our High Holy Day Food Drive this year! Our drive truly made a difference to our fellow San Franciscans in need. Thank you to all who donated.