

# *Emanu-El SF*

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# Building Our Jewish Future

Shalom Rav from Richard and Rhoda Goldman Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer

In 820 BCE or so, the Tanach tells us that the King of Judah, named Yoash, realized that the great Temple needed to be repaired. He set up a system in which the priests would collect the donations commanding them saying, "Let every priest receive money from his constituency and use it to repair any damage in the temple." But by the twenty third year of his reign, he realized that no repair had taken place. "Why have you not repaired the damage to the Temple," he enquired. And the text is silent in response but tells us that he turns the responsibility for both collecting the money and repairing the Temple to others. What we learn from this is care of the physical facility, the gathering place of the Jewish people is a holy endeavor that cannot be left to the religious leadership. The call to build and make a holy place- as God instructs Moses in the Book of Exodus, "Ta'aseh li mikdash, v shachanti b'tocham - make me a holy place that I might dwell among you," lies with the people - with all of you.

I take that teaching to heart. Congregation Emanu-El, which all the clergy feel so proud and honored to teach and engage with, belongs ultimately to you, its membership. The process of building and rebuilding the Temple is something that we all together must engage with if we care about vibrant Jewish life. Jewish life cannot be left to Jewish leadership, it is only vibrant if we together make meaningful gathering places where we build a deeper sense of community.

The phrase - Ta'su li - make for me - is in future command tense. Making community is an ongoing project that is not completed when the physical structure is finished. It depends upon we the people working together, learning together, praying together, and helping each other and others together. This will be more important than ever after our groundbreaking this month. Yes, the building will be under construction with the Main Sanctuary remaining open for services and life cycle events while our schools are gathering at the Star of the Sea - but our sense of community and engagement will also remain "under construction" as we continue to actively build bridges to each other, to learning and to Jewish engagement. We should all be so proud of our Board and the volunteer leadership that has brought us to this point. We must also be grateful to so many who have given so generously to make the renewal of this Mikdash, this holy place, possible.

The work of fundraising is not yet done even as we begin to build. Nor is the work of community building that we hope you will engage with us even more deeply as we embark upon this next period.

It is exciting and we have many wonderful things planned in the year ahead from services both in our sanctuary to Emanu-El activities all around the city and in Marin.



**Richard and Rhoda Goldman  
Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer**

So, join with us this month - come to the groundbreaking if you're able, make the minyan on a Friday night or Saturday morning. Help with the work of our Tzedek Council, take a class offered by our adult learning program, register your child for YFE - for the work of community building, here at beautiful Emanu-El is an ongoing project. "Ta'seh Li Mikdahs" - together we are building the holy, we are building the Jewish future!

Save the Date!

## PRIDE SHABBAT

*L'Dor Va-Dor:  
Being Queer across  
the Generations*  
**Friday, June 23**

A moving and musical  
service, and our final  
Shabbat with  
Rabbi Jason Rodich!





## June 2: Rabbi Fuchs

Join us for services on **Friday, June 2 at 6:00 pm** as we hear from our newly ordained Emanu-El Rabbi Educator, **Rabbi Leo Fuchs**. Rabbi Fuchs will speak about his journey to the rabbinate, and he will receive a special blessing from our clergy.

## Celebrating Our Clergy

## June 9: Rabbi Rodich

On **Friday, June 9, at 6:00 pm**, our entire community will celebrate **Rabbi Rodich** for his outstanding eight years as our rabbi. Following Shabbat services, we'll have a special oneg so you'll have an opportunity to thank Rabbi Rodich for his service to our community and wish him well in Minnesota.

There will also be a **Late Shabbat** celebration at 8:30 pm that same evening specifically for our Young Adult community.







Membership matters now more than ever! Emanu-El is a place to connect, to pray, to learn, and to engage. It is a place to stretch yourself, to grow, to give back. A place of shared values, a place where we all belong, and a place where you are part of something truly special. As we prepare for the start of construction and a new era in our congregation's history, we are asking for your continued support and partnership through renewing your membership.

Your support makes it possible for all families to be part of our community, no matter their financial situation. We remain committed to creating an economically diverse community where everyone is welcome. This year we are increasing dues by a minimal amount across all categories. We are mindful of individual circumstances and the rollercoaster that is our current economy. This increase helps us sustain clergy, staff, programs, events, holiday celebrations, and more.

For those that can give more, we would love for you to consider participating in the Sponsorship program, supporting an individual or family who is unable to afford the full membership dues.

As we are told in the Talmud, all Israel is responsible, one for the other (Talmud, Shevuot 39a); we step up when needed, and allow others to support us in return.

Questions about membership? Please feel free to contact Ariana Estoque, Director of Member Experience, at [aestoque@emanuelf.org](mailto:aestoque@emanuelf.org) or at 415-750-7552.

It's been a wonderful year and we are excited to be renewing our membership again. Emanu-El is such a wonderful place. I'm grateful to have found you and joined :)

*Candice S., Member since 2022*



As a member of the LGBTQ community, Temple Emanu-El has meant home, community, inclusivity, and progress. It has been a place where my Jewish family can thrive even as my family's structure comes under attack in other parts of the country. It is a place where I see hope.

*Mordechai P., Member since 2017*



The social activism of Temple Emanu-El definitely strongly speaks to me. Our commitment to help unhoused people through collections of needed items, or sharing meals with them are strong examples of helping others. Emanu-El truly does try to make the world better for all.

*Susan R., Member since 2005*





# MEET THE KISSLING FAMILY



*David, Kayla, and Leah*



## ABOUT US

Although David grew up in Southern California, and Kayla in Marin, Kayla has strong ties to Congregation Emanu-El. In fact, her dad, Zach Zeisler, grew up in Jordan Park and Kayla's grandmother, Billie Zeisler taught Sunday School! Before moving to Marin in her childhood, Kayla was named at Emanu-El, which made it that much more special to have Leah's baby naming at the Temple last year where they had four generations of Emanu-El members at the service,

Kayla, an 8th grade history teacher at Mill Valley Middle School, and David, an IT Consultant for KPMG, shared that they love living in San Francisco! Some of their favorite things to do are go for hikes or walks, cook meals at home, and listen to live music (they can't wait to bring Leah).

Since getting married in 2021, David and Kayla have joined us for Late Shabbat, worship services, B'Bayit Groups, Mishpachot Emanu-El, and Tot Shabbat. One of the Kisslings' favorite memories at Emanu-El is attending Tashlich at Baker Beach for the first time. This tradition of symbolically casting away one's sins during the High Holy Days is deeply rooted in

Jewish practice, and the Kisslings found it particularly meaningful to do so in the natural beauty of San Francisco's coastline.

Kayla shared that they have been most impacted by the people they have met at Emanu-El, particularly through the expecting/new parent B'Bayit group they joined. This group has provided them with a supportive community of like-minded parents who share their values and are navigating the joys and challenges of parenthood together.

Kayla and David's commitment to community building and their enthusiasm for Jewish life make them an integral part of Congregation Emanu-El. Their involvement in the congregation's programs and events is a testament to the power of community and the importance of cultivating connections with others who share our values.

We are grateful to have the Kissling family as part of our kehillah and look forward to many more meaningful experiences together.



Dear Gentleman of the El,

Please join me on Sunday, June 11th from 9:30am - 11:00am for our Men's Group gathering. Enjoy coffee and bagels and a chance to study together! We will meet at the home of a temple member. Venue will be provided upon registration.

After this meeting, we will take a break for the summer (with no meetings in July and August).

L'Shalom,  
Rabbi Jonathan



# Men's Group



*Hebroots*

## Happy "Bone" Day!

From Cantor Marsha Attie

We just finished celebrating יום העצמאות (Yom Ha'Atzmaut) or Israeli Independence Day. יום העצמאות (Yom Ha'Atzmaut) can be broken down into three words: יום (yom) = day, ה (Ha) = the, and עצמאות (atzmaut) = independence. Interestingly if we look into the root of עצמאות (atzmaut) we find the shorter word עצמות (atzmut) which means self. Inside of this word we find the three letter root צ-ע-ם (etzem) which is the Hebrew word for bone.

What is the connection between "bone" and independence? On one level there is an intuitive feeling that bones represent strength which can lead to the idea of independence. The first time "bone" or עצם (etzem) appears in the Torah is when God took a bone from Adam's rib to create Eve, who became a separate person, independent from Adam.

The Hebrew language continues to teach us about ourselves and our history. Happy Independence Day to Israel on her 75th birthday and may She have strong bones for the years to come!







# Help Settle a Ukrainian Refugee Family Into Our Community

As the Russian invasion of Ukraine grinds on and displaces millions of families, our Emanu-El community is coming together to live out our Jewish values and help a family leave war-torn Ukraine for the safety of the Bay Area. Emanu-El's Tzedek Collective is leading our response to the great need in Ukraine, but we can only achieve our goal of resettling a refugee family and helping them make this community their home with your help.

As Jews, we well know the pain of being displaced through persecution and violence. In this, the Ukrainian resettlement process we are called to help with today will resonate with many of us and evoke memories of the journeys our families (or ourselves) experienced—whether it was hundreds of years ago, during or after the horrors of the Holocaust, or very recently.

A small group of Tzedek Collective members are organizing this critical project, working closely with the experts at HIAS (Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society) to create the support network the emigres will need. We have committed to providing at least a six-month period of care for our new neighbors, including covering shelter, transportation, basic necessities, services, and emotional support. To achieve this, we need to raise at least \$36,000, so please consider donating at [emanuelsf.org/ukraineresettlement](https://emanuelsf.org/ukraineresettlement). There will be many other ways in which you can help welcome this family into our community—and we will call upon you as the time of their arrival approaches—but we must first meet our fundraising goal.

The Tzedek Collective is deeply honored and proud to facilitate this process and do our small part during one of the largest refugee crises in recent human history, as a heartbreaking 7.7 million Ukrainian refugees across Europe look to resettle in safety. But we cannot achieve it alone and will need many helping hands and hearts from our generous community to make this possible. To learn more, please visit our project webpage at [emanuelsf.org/ukraineresettlement](https://emanuelsf.org/ukraineresettlement) or contact Sarah Balagey, Emanu-El's Engagement Program Manager, at [sbalagey@emanuelsf.org](mailto:sbalagey@emanuelsf.org).

*Rabbi Beth Singer*

Rabbi Beth Singer

*Josh Cohen*

Josh Cohen

*LISA KRIM*

Lisa Krim



# Making a positive impact, together



As a Jewish people, we have a strong tradition of giving back to our community and social justice. This past April, the Tzedek Collective, led by Josh Cohen and Irina Klay from Jewish Family and Children's Services (JFCS) manifested an opportunity for our community to come together to embody this tradition by providing aid to local Ukrainian refugees who have resettled in the Bay Area.

Through an act of Tzedakah, the community was able to gather enough materials to fulfill 200 care packages filled with toiletries and other essential items, surpassing the initial goal of 100 kits within days. Tzedakah, or charitable giving, is a fundamental Jewish value that is deeply ingrained in our culture. It is an expression of our commitment to repairing the world, or Tikkun Olam, and doing the work to positively impact our world.



GATHER, CONNECT,  
DO GOOD

 **Jewish Family and Children's Services**  
OF SAN FRANCISCO, THE PENINSULA, MARIN AND SONOMA COUNTIES





Along with assembling the care packages, we enjoyed learning from Irina Klay, witnessing some of the most incredible and creative artwork children (and adults!) decorated on our bags and noshed on some pizza. It was an opportunity for the community to gather in kehillah and engage in a mitzvah, together.

We want to extend our deepest gratitude to our Tzedek Collective volunteers, those who helped us organize, everyone who joined us in the meaningful mitzvah and all folks who immediately sprang to action with our wishlist! We couldn't have done it without you all. Your willingness to help exemplifies the Jewish ideal of chesed, or loving-kindness, and your contributions will make a meaningful difference in the lives of those who receive these care kits.



We are grateful for the overwhelming support and participation from our Temple. In addition to the many congregants who donated goods for the refugees, we would also like to mention those who attend the event. Please note that due to technical issues, not all who donated will be included in this list.

The Archer Family  
 The Babel Family  
 The Bergman Family  
 The Bunim and Jensen Family  
 The Cappelloni Family  
 The Cohen Family  
 The Steinberg and Collentine Family  
 The Costa Family  
 The Dans Family  
 The Davidson and Vezina Family  
 The Davisson Family  
 The Eaton Family  
 The Simpson Fain Family  
 The Feld and Huot Family  
 The Goldberg and Terman Family  
 The Grossman and Sintov Family  
 The Imber Safdar Family  
 The Jacoby Family  
 The Kirschbaum Makkonen Family

The Klein Family  
 The Koenigsberg and Lee Family  
 The Krim Family  
 The Marson and Lu Family  
 The McHale and Ahoobim Family  
 The Miller Family  
 The Naxon Family  
 The Papoff Family  
 The Pasternak Family  
 The Rosenfield and Hoover Family  
 The Saks Family  
 The Schachter Family  
 The Shoemaker and Haigh Family  
 The Silver and Yolles Family  
 Stacey, Mia, and Sasha  
 The Taplin Family  
 The Treyger and Putterman Family  
 The Ullman Family  
 The Zwibelman Family



**Jewish Family and Children's Services**  
 OF SAN FRANCISCO, THE PENINSULA, MARIN AND SONOMA COUNTIES



**TZEDEK  
 JUSTICE  
 COLLECTIVE**



## BUILDING CONNECTIONS THREE YEARS OF B'BAYIT



Over the past three years, we have been so grateful to our incredible congregant leaders, who have brought innovative ideas, thoughtfulness, and dedication to cultivating community in every way possible. At a time when many of us felt disconnected from each other, these groups have been a lifeline, offering us opportunities to connect, engage and deepen our relationships with one another.

Our **B'Bayit Groups** are particularly special, as they are led by our own congregants, who volunteer their time and expertise to make these groups possible. They cover a wide range of topics, from ethical will writing to adoption, crafting to navigating divorce and young families to boomers.

We want to express our deep gratitude to our leaders for their integral role in helping us build strong connections with one another. Your commitment and dedication to our community have not gone unnoticed, and we are so grateful for all that you do.

### B'Bayit Leaders 2022-23

Shelley Abramson  
Frank Brodsky  
Wendy Brummer  
Rachel Burger  
Nanci Cooper  
Chuck Cooper  
Erika Coplon  
Alex Davidson  
Jill Einstein  
Eric Gray

Robert Hughes  
Chelsea Hughes  
Shana Inspektor  
Marla Kadlacek  
Joel Kassiola  
Amy Kassiola  
Reesha Katcher  
Mariko Kawaguchi  
Wendy Kesser  
Jennifer Margalit  
Jeanne Miller

Basya Petnick  
Moshe Reder  
Kirsten Salmeen  
Juliet Sampson  
Mauri Schwartz  
Joseph Shapiro  
Jackie Shelton-Miller  
Lynne Thier  
Matt Warren  
Erika Warren





# Judaism Around America in the words of our students

## 8th & 9th Grade LA Trip (Above)

"The contrast of Disneyland and the Holocaust Museum really helped me remember how lucky we are today."

*BenNoah A., 9th Grade*



## 10th Grade NYC Trip (Above)

"I loved the NYC trip with Rabbi Jonathan, Tori, and Ariana! It was an amazing experience full of both tears and laughter. We were exposed to many cultures, yummy foods, and had lots of adventures. It was fast paced, fun, and created wonderful bonds with my peers and teachers. I brought home lots of kosher candy and wonderful memories. Thank you!"

*Sophia D.-R., 10th Grade*



## 11th & 12th Grade DC Trip (Left)

"I really appreciate the opportunity we were given to share our truths and talk about what we were passionate about, and we got to do it as a community."

*Lily Rose M.-H., 12th Grade*





# B. Mitzvah



**William Portnoy**

**B. Mitzvah:**

June 3, 2023

**Parents:**

Benjamin Portnoy  
Erica Portnoy

**Torah Portion:**

*Naso II*



**Rachel Cohn**

**B. Mitzvah:**

June 3, 2023

**Parents:**

Sarah Stein  
Michael Cohn

**Torah Portion:**

*Naso II*



**Asher Menger-Thau**

**B. Mitzvah:**

June 10, 2023

**Parents:**

Kirsten Menger-Anderson  
Dave Thau

**Torah Portion:**

*Beha'alotcha*



**Clarice Brown**

**B. Mitzvah:**

June 10, 2023

**Parent:**

Jeffrey Brown

**Torah Portion:**

*Beha'alotcha*



**Lev Resnikoff**

**B. Mitzvah:**

June 17, 2023

**Parents:**

Ivan Resnikoff  
Jessica Dines

**Torah Portion:**

*Shlach*



**Sasha Resnikoff**

**B. Mitzvah:**

June 17, 2023

**Parents:**

Ivan Resnikoff  
Jessica Dines

**Torah Portion:**

*Shlach*



**Cameron Axelbaum**

**B. Mitzvah:**

June 17, 2023

**Parents:**

Marc Axelbaum  
Katherine Dowling

**Torah Portion:**

*Behar-Bechukotai*



# tech talk

**While the building is changing, additional upgrades to the Member Portal and online user experience will make it easier than ever to connect with Emanu-El!**

## Logging in to Your Account

We're adding the option to sign on with your [Google](#) or [Facebook](#) logins.

## Events

Our new website calendar will streamline registration, and credit card information can now be saved for future use.

## Updated Member Portal

It will be much easier to view upcoming and past events.

*Website improvements will make it much easier to find what you're looking for!*

## Need help?

Visit [emanuelsf.org/techsupport](https://emanuelsf.org/techsupport)

# THANK YOU TO GATSBY ENTERTAINMENT

A huge shout-out and thank you to Gatsby Entertainment and Lori Coleman for their amazing generosity and creativity! When the pandemic put a pause on Bar and Bat Mitzvah celebrations, parent volunteer Lori Coleman dreamed up the idea to bring joy to our kids, and Gatsby Entertainment stepped up by donating their fabulous DJ services.

Their energy and spirit brought the essence of the Mitzvah experience to life, creating unforgettable memories for our children and families. Together, they truly embraced the Chasidic Jewish value of joy and the importance of celebrating sacred moments in our young people's lives.

We're thrilled and grateful for Gatsby Entertainment's and Lori Coleman's uplifting contributions during these challenging times. Here's to spreading joy and unity in our community through the power of music and celebration!



## Emanu-El NEXT

### Investing in our Jewish Future

We believe that Judaism guides us on our journey to be better people, create community, and repair the world. Our historic home has long been cherished as a magnificent building that symbolizes Jewish arrival and integration into our city. But the building no longer adequately serves the needs of the Emanu-El community and hinders our ability to effectively support and engage our congregation. The demands of the 21st century Jewish community—and Emanu-El's 1,800 congregant families—are quite different than those of the 300 families in the 1920s who created our current building. That's why we have embarked on an ambitious effort to revitalize and reimagine our home to meet the expanding needs of our current members and those of generations to come.

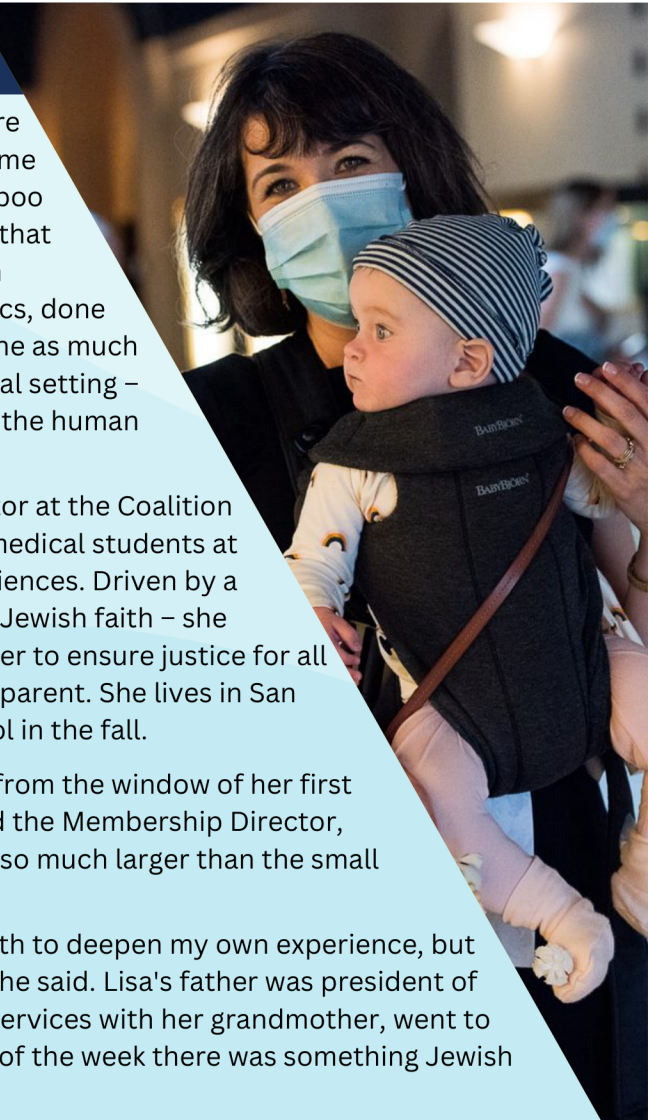
## Donor Spotlight: *Lisa Stern*

Growing up in both Reform and Conservative synagogues, Lisa was aware of the divide between what boys and girls were allowed to do. She became passionate about gender equity from a young age. Curious about the taboo subject of abortion, in middle school she wrote a paper on *Roe v. Wade* that animated her interest in the field of reproductive healthcare. She began volunteering in hospitals as a ninth grader, and has since worked in clinics, done research, and now works in policy and strategy. "Over the years, I've done as much as I possibly could do in my field," Lisa said. "I've always liked the medical setting – I'm not put off by the corporeal aspects of it – but what I really love are the human interactions."

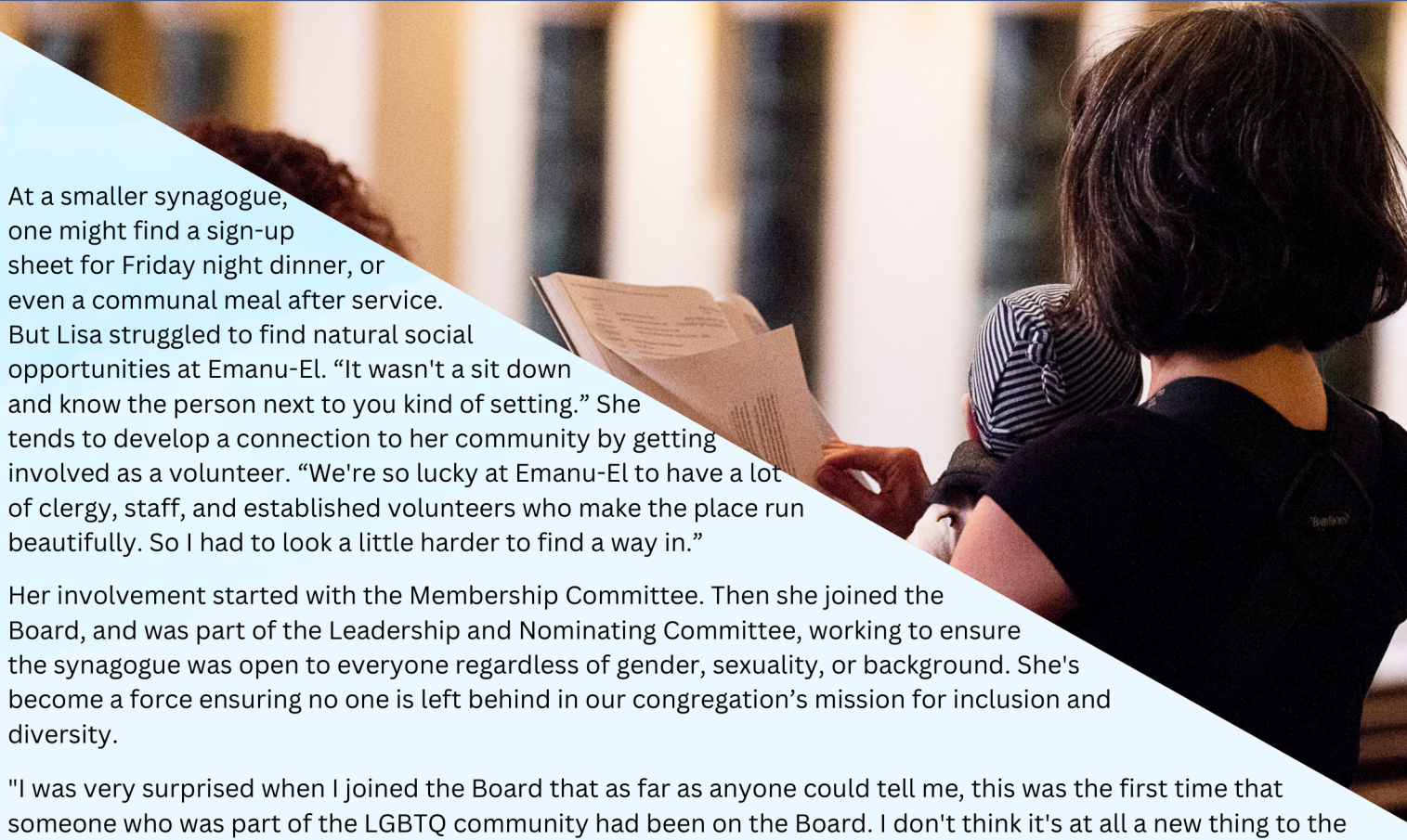
Lisa currently works to advance reproductive freedom as Deputy Director at the Coalition to Expand Contraceptive Access (CECA). She also teaches nursing and medical students at UCSF, where she earned her Master's degree in the History of Health Sciences. Driven by a deep sense of justice and social responsibility – values informed by her Jewish faith – she believes that healthcare systems and policy need to be improved in order to ensure justice for all people, and has felt an even greater sense of urgency since becoming a parent. She lives in San Francisco with her two year old daughter, Rosalind, who starts preschool in the fall.

When she moved to the Bay a decade ago, she saw the Emanu-El dome from the window of her first apartment in the city. She felt warmly welcomed by Rabbi Jonathan and the Membership Director, Terry Kraus, but she found it difficult to navigate a community that was so much larger than the small synagogue where she grew up.

"My difficulty was actually part of what led me to get more involved, both to deepen my own experience, but also to make the synagogue more accessible and navigable to others," she said. Lisa's father was president of their local synagogue for part of her childhood. She attended Shabbat services with her grandmother, went to Jewish day school, and her family kept kosher. It seemed like every day of the week there was something Jewish happening in her life.







At a smaller synagogue, one might find a sign-up sheet for Friday night dinner, or even a communal meal after service. But Lisa struggled to find natural social opportunities at Emanu-El. "It wasn't a sit down and know the person next to you kind of setting." She tends to develop a connection to her community by getting involved as a volunteer. "We're so lucky at Emanu-El to have a lot of clergy, staff, and established volunteers who make the place run beautifully. So I had to look a little harder to find a way in."

Her involvement started with the Membership Committee. Then she joined the Board, and was part of the Leadership and Nominating Committee, working to ensure the synagogue was open to everyone regardless of gender, sexuality, or background. She's become a force ensuring no one is left behind in our congregation's mission for inclusion and diversity.

"I was very surprised when I joined the Board that as far as anyone could tell me, this was the first time that someone who was part of the LGBTQ community had been on the Board. I don't think it's at all a new thing to the congregation, so it surprised me that it was a new thing on the Board. Now there are at least three or four of us on the Board who identify as LGBTQ."

Lisa believes that her identity as a Jew has made her attuned to issues of inclusion and exclusion. She's personally comfortable with how Emanu-El treats LGBTQ congregants, but wants Emanu-El to become more accessible for Jews of color and non-Jewish members of the community.

**"What inspires me about Emanu-El Next is that I appreciate the focus on how we're all building this brick by brick together," she said. "In the Torah, when the Jews are creating the Mishkan, they're traveling the desert and everyone participates. The whole community is part of that effort."**

Issues of inclusion and exclusion are not limited to identity, but can be found across wealth disparities. Lisa feels it can be easier to think someone else with greater wealth will take care of funding a major effort like Emanu-El Next. "As if that's not my job," she said. "But for me, it felt important to participate as generously as I'm able, and even if that's not the same dollar amount as some other congregants, it's meaningful. Not only is it meaningful to the institution, but it's also meaningful to me and it's important to me that this is something we all are creating together."

As young as she can remember, giving and tzedakah were central to her values. Her giving is more than a choice – It comes from a sense of obligation. "I'm a more traditional Jew in a lot of ways. I really think about what is commanded of us, and I think of my gift as: this is our institution, and these are our rabbis, staff, and volunteers who support us in our hour of need. It's on me to help the community, but also to help myself, by giving to the community." As her philanthropy evolved over the years, she came to focus less on the amount but rather on the spirit of participation. "I used to think I don't have much to give and I should only give where I can make the biggest difference. But now I understand that giving is about more than money. It's about building community, and everyone's contribution matters."

**Please visit our website, [next.emanuelsf.org](https://next.emanuelsf.org) to learn more. Or, if you would like to make a commitment to Emanu-El NEXT, please contact Julie Weinberg, Senior Director of Philanthropy, at [jweinberg@emanuelsf.org](mailto: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:** Congregation Emanu-El, 2 Lake Street, San Francisco, CA 94118. Please make it out to Congregation Emanu-El – ATTN: Development.
- **Visit Our Website:** [www.emanuelf.org/support-us/](http://www.emanuelf.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.
- **QR Code:** Scan the code to the right with your phone's camera to access our Development web page.



If you need assistance, please contact the Development Office at [development@emanuelf.org](mailto:development@emanuelf.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 March 21, 2023 - April 23, 2023*

**CANTORS' MUSIC FUND**  
Supports the Congregation's music programs and is used for charitable giving at the Cantors' discretion.

**Susan Aronow**

in memory of Lou Aronow

**Roberta Cohn**

in appreciation of Cantor

Arik Luck's wonderful Seder

**Robert & Jennifer Futernick**

in honor of Emili Danz's work as an art educator

**Joyce Lampert**

in appreciation of Cantor

Arik Luck's meaningful Seder

**Claude Lowen**

in appreciation of Cantor Arik Luck leading the San Francisco Towers Seder

**Stephen & Marcia Ruben**

in appreciation of Cantor Arik Luck

**Joan Solomon**

**EMANU-EL COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND**

Promotes and supports social action and community service programs.

**Charles & Lenore Bleadon (2) Stuart & Debra Eisendrath**

in observance of the Yahrzeit of Betty Eisendrath

**Susen Grossman**

in celebration of Robert "Bob" Newman's birthday

**Thomas & Jill Sampson**

in memory of Max Horlick

**Carol Vollen**

in memory of Rabbi Edward Zerlin

**EMANU-EL LIFE-CYCLE FUND**

Enables all congregants to celebrate significant milestones, regardless of economic circumstances.

**Debra Schwartz & Diane Pincus**

in appreciation of Svetlana Leykin

**FLOWERS FOR THE BIMAH**

**Edward Kavalerschik &**

**Danelle James**

in celebration of Daniel Kavalerschik's Bar Mitzvah

**FOR THE ROOSEVELT FOOD PANTRY**

**Stephanie Scott**

in memory of William M. Scott



**ONEG SHABBAT AND  
KIDDISH SPONSORSHIP FUND**  
Provides for the weekly  
Shabbat Oneg, Kiddush, and  
other congregational  
receptions.

**Cecilia Deitz, Hannah Eikov,  
Victor Deitz & Florence Deitz**  
in celebration of Lia Deitz's  
B'nei Mitzvah

**Cynthia Easton**  
in memory of Ann Singer

**Jonathan Kadis &  
Sharon Kovalsky**  
in memory of Ann Singer

**Marjory Kaplan**  
in memory of Ann Singer

**Edward Kavalerschik &  
Danelle James**  
in celebration of Daniel

Kavalerschik's Bar Mitzvah

**Arthur Mansbach & Bette Caan**  
in memory of Ann Singer

**Laura Myers & Kenneth Quandt**  
in memory of Ann Singer

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Shabbat Services



## Condolences to Our Members Who Have Suffered a Recent Loss

Stephen (Leslie) and David (Janelle) Ticktin on the loss of their mother; Jared, Ethan and Chloe, Sydney, and Zachary Ticktin on the loss of their grandmother, **Marsha Brustin Lang**.

Leslie Ticktin (Stephen) on the loss of her father; Ethan, Jared, Chloe Ticktin on the loss of their grandfather, **Dave Berman**.

Laura Weinstein and Mark Lorenzen on the loss of their son; Lily Lorenzen on the loss of her sister, **Joseph Lorenzen**.

Miriam Goldblum on the loss of her father, **Gary Goldblum**.

Jennifer Chaiken (Margaret Hamilton) on the loss of her father; Adelaide and Olivia Chaiken Hamilton on the loss of their grandfather, **Donald Chaiken**.

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Jill Sampson (Thomas) on the loss of her mother, Joshua and Aaron Sampson on the loss of their grandmother, **Ruth Horlick**.

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## Mazal Tov to Our Members Who Have Experienced Joy

Jennifer Ehrlich and Alex Cohen on the birth of their son **Caleb Cohen**.

Rebecca and Jason Karsh on the birth of their son **Jonah Henry Karsh**.

Mariah Halperin and Brian Simpson on the birth of their son **Noam Kendrick Halperin Simpson**.

Josiane Chriqui Feigon on the birth of her granddaughter; Briana Feigon and Henry Molofsky on the birth of their daughter, **Posie Faye Molofsky**.

Michael and Ashley Coren on the birth of their son Vaughan **Adrian Hooper Coren**.



# June/July Events Spotlight

AT EMANU-EL

Friday, June 2: Celebrating Rabbi Fuchs

Friday, June 9: Rabbi Rodich Farewell Shabbat

Sunday, June 11: Men's Group

Renew Your Membership by June 15!



For more events, visit  
[emanuelsf.org/calendar](https://emanuelsf.org/calendar)

## Looking Ahead

Keep an eye out for these upcoming events!

**July**  
**Chuppah and  
Beyond**

**August**  
**Registration Begins  
for High Holy Days**  
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## YFE Registration Information

**Classes will be on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 11:45 am**  
**Hebrew will have classes at Star of the Sea (SoS)**

*Dates and times TBD*

**SoS is located at 350 9th Ave, between Geary and Clement**  
**We will serve Pre K – 12th Grades**

### Programs that will be on-site:

- **Sunday Keshet YFE, Pre K – 6th Grade**
- **Sunday Kadimah YFE, Pre K – 4th Grade**
- **Sunday MiT, 8th Grade**
- **Sunday TEF, 8th – 12th Grade**
- **Wednesday Keshet YFE, 1st – 6th Grade**

**The view of our dome from Star of the Sea!**

