High Holy Days

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SEPT 20 GUEST SPEAKER, YOSSI KLEIN HALEVI
Israel & the American Jewish Community: Working Together to Fulfill the Dream

HIGH HOLY DAYS OCT 2 - 12
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SAN FRANCISCO BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATE FORUM

Wednesday, September 7
6:45 – 8:00 pm


There are numerous issues facing the San Francisco Unified School District and we invite both Jewish and non-Jewish members of the community, as well as all San Francisco voters, to join us for this important dialogue.

Please register at: https://app.etapistry.com/onlineforms/JCRCSanFrancisco/Edu.html

ISRAEL & THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMUNITY: WORKING TOGETHER TO FULFILL THE DREAM

Tuesday, September 20
Check-in and Security, 6:30 pm
Program, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Featuring Yossi Klein Halevi, Author and Senior Fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem Co-sponsored by AIPAC and Congregation Emanu-El.

Registration required: www.aipac.org/EmanuelYKHL

ISRAEL ACTION COMMITTEE Invites you to SAVE THE DATE for Additional Fall Events

Daniel Sokatch at Friday Night Services
Friday, October 14, 6:00 pm

Screening of the movie The Green Prince based on the autobiography of Mosab Hassan Yousef
Sunday, December 11, 5:00 pm
Followed by speaker Mosab Hassan Yousef, 7:00 pm

Daniel Sokatch
Time is relative. By Richard and Rhoda Goldman Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer

Time is relative. The New Year – Rosh Hashanah – is late this year! We have this month of September to prepare ourselves for the Days of Awe, which begin on October 2. Jewish tradition provides a special means to get ready by making this Hebrew month of Elul, a month of preparation, through contemplation, study and prayer. It is customary during this time to hear the sound of the shofar each morning, and then spend part of your day considering how this next year may be better. What changes will you make in your life, who will you help, how will you grow?

One change we would like you to consider as you bring in the New Year, is to make this year the year of Shabbat in your life and in the life of your family. One thing we have noticed as we have engaged with you here at Emanu-El, is how busy, overscheduled, and at times frazzled San Franciscans are. Between trying to change the world through advances in technology, educate your children, engage in all the amazing activities the Bay Area has to offer, heal the world, or just hang in there, depending how you choose to live your life, you are left little time for contemplation, for connection with community, for renewal of the self, and to become aware of the miracles around you.

We have reached one conclusion – Emanu-El members need one day a week to rest, to connect, to turn off work, to contemplate, and to share the joy of a meal with loved ones. You need Shabbat! The Torah teaches us that even God had to take a break.

As your clergy team, we want to spend this year exploring what Shabbat can mean for you. We know that the meaning of Shabbat will be different for different people – a Shabbat meal together with family and friends, coming to synagogue for some, scheduling a Shabbat hike, turning off all email for others. What we want is help you explore how Shabbat can be impactful for the twenty-first century San Franciscan.

Our first step is to make sure that there is a Kabbalat Shabbat service that you can get to. Kabbalat in this form means receiving – bringing in Shabbat – so you can breathe deep and begin to renew your soul. We know services are not for everyone, but we are trying to have a one-hour service time that will speak to many of you. We have added a “late” One Shabbat on the first Friday of the month at 7:30 pm for those of you who work late. Like other One Shabbats, the service will be very musical with contemporary flair and contemplative melodies of the tradition, a dvar Torah, and oneg. We will also have a Classic Service on the same evening at 6:00 pm in the Main Sanctuary, which is beautiful, contemplative and moving, and still designed to get you out just after 7:00 pm so you can enjoy the city or relax at home.

Throughout the year, we will offer classes on how to make Shabbat dinner, introduction to prayer, an Emanu-El shares Shabbat dinner program, Shabbat retreats and hikes -- many different ways for you to connect to this most beautiful Jewish gift to the world. We would love some of you to be Shabbat Captains, inviting others to join you for one or two Shabbats a month.

Stay tuned for many Shabbat learning and engagement opportunities, but begin by noting in your Fall calendars – the one on your phone and the one you keep for your family – some way that you will set aside time for Shabbat. You and we will be the better for it!

Happy Early New Year,
Rabbi Jonathan Singer
Richard and Rhoda Goldman Senior Rabbi
Please see calendar on page 18 for all of our September events.

Sponsor an Oneg Shabbat

Sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat for Friday evening is a lovely way to honor or remember a loved one or to celebrate a simcha. When you sponsor an Oneg Shabbat, you help us welcome Shabbat with the warmth and community that are characteristic of our congregation. For more details please contact Svetlana Leykin at sleykin@emanuelsf.org or (415) 751-2541 x123.

Thank you to the following for recently sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat reception:

Kimberly and David Friedman in honor of their daughter Gabrielle Idina Friedman’s Baby Naming.

My Holy Bat Mitzvah

by Skye Zweben

This summer, I had the privilege of traveling to Israel with my family, along with many members of our congregation, to celebrate my Bat Mitzvah. I got to share this once in a lifetime experience with my friend, Audrey Scott, who also celebrated her Bat Mitzvah. Rabbi Jonathan Singer not only guided me through my Bat Mitzvah preparations this past year, but also guided our entire group on a truly magical trip throughout the Holyland.

While I enjoyed every site we visited in Israel from the south to the north, the most memorable part of this experience for me was becoming a Bat Mitzvah in the mystical artists’ colony known as Safed. As I read from Sh’lach L’cha in the Book of Numbers, I realized that, like the scouts mentioned in this portion, I had a responsibility to report back to the community about my experience in Israel.

From the moment we arrived to Safed, I felt a special connection to this city. The service was held at a place called The Khan of the White Donkey, which is about 700 years old and one of the three oldest buildings in Safed. This amazing space has been restored over the past few years and has beautiful barrel-vaulted ceilings. This venue now serves as a center for environmental education, community activities and musical performances. During the service, my dad and stepmother gave me a blessing where I also learned that Safed is the highest city in all of Israel.

This seems fitting because I truly felt like I was floating on air and could touch the sky while standing before everyone reading from the Torah. It was such a magical and spiritual moment for me. As an artist myself, I could not think of a more perfect setting for me to reach this milestone in my life.

After the service, we had a chance to explore the city and enjoy all of the art that surrounded us in this holy place.

I will never forget this trip and I am so thankful to my family and to the congregation for supporting me on this journey into Jewish adulthood.
CONGREGATION EMANU-EL WELCOMES YOU TO

HIGH HOLY DAYS 2016 - 5777

HIGH HOLY DAYS SUMMARY OF EVENTS

ROSH HASHANAH

EREV ROSH HASHANAH
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

5:00 pm - Family Service, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
6:00 pm - Classic Service, Main Sanctuary
8:30 pm - Contemporary Service, Main Sanctuary

ROSH HASHANAH DAY
MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

9:00 am - Classic Service, Main Sanctuary
10:00 am - Service for families with children under 5 years old, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
11:45 am - Contemporary Service, Main Sanctuary
2:30 pm - Service for families with children ages 5-10, Main Sanctuary
3:30 pm - Community Service led by our teens, Main Sanctuary

TASHLICH

5:00 pm - Tashlich, Baker Beach

Full Event Details on pages 6 - 9!

YOM KIPPUR

KOL NIDRE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

5:00 pm - Family Service, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
6:00 pm - Classic Service, Main Sanctuary
8:30 pm - Contemporary Service, Main Sanctuary

YOM KIPPUR DAY
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

9:00 am - Classic Service, Main Sanctuary
10:00 am - Service for families with children under 5 years old, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
10:00 am - Taste of Tauber* Study Session, Guild Hall

Tzedek Expo ongoing in between services, and ongoing throughout the afternoon
11:45 am - Contemporary Service, Main Sanctuary
1:15 pm - Wise Aging Panel Discussion, Rinder Chapel
2:30 pm - Afternoon Service, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
3:30 pm - Community Service led by our teens, Main Sanctuary
4:00 pm - Guided Meditation, Guild Hall
4:00 pm - Healing Service, Reuben Rinder Chapel

YIZKOR AND NEILAH CONCLUDING WORSHIP

5:30 pm - Classic Yizkor and Neilah Services, Main Sanctuary
5:30 pm - Contemporary Yizkor and Neilah Services, Martin Meyer Sanctuary

Havdalah and Break the Fast following Neilah in the Courtyard.

*Taste of Tauber is a program of the Madeleine Haas Russell Institute of Jewish Learning.
ROSH HASHANAH
Passes or tickets required unless otherwise indicated.

EREV ROSH HASHANAH
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

5:00 pm - Family Service, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
One hour worship, led in a participative, educational style by Senior Rabbi Beth Singer and musician Jonathan Bayer. Limited to member families and appropriate for children under age 5.

6:00 pm - Classic Service, Main Sanctuary
Led by Rabbis Carla Fenves and Jason Rodich.
Sermon by Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer.
Music: Cantor Arik Luck, the Emanu-El Choir, and organist.

8:30 pm - Contemporary Service, Main Sanctuary
Led by Rabbis Ryan Bauer and Sydney Mintz.
Sermon by Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer.
Music: Cantor Marsha Attie and her accompanists.

ROSH HASHANAH DAY
MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

9:00 am - Classic Service, Main Sanctuary
Led by Senior Rabbi Beth Singer and Rabbi Jason Rodich.
Sermon by Rabbi Sydney Mintz.
Music: Cantor Arik Luck, the Emanu-El Choir, and organist.

10:00 am - Service for families with children under 5 years old, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
Led by Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer and Rabbis Ryan Bauer and Carla Fenves.
Music: Cantor Marsha Attie and her accompanists.
No One Pass or ticket required.

11:45 am - Contemporary Service, Main Sanctuary
Led by Senior Rabbis Beth and Jonathan Singer.
Sermon by Rabbi Jason Rodich.
Music: Cantor Marsha Attie and her accompanists.

2:30 pm - Service for families with children ages 5-10, Main Sanctuary
Led by Emanu-El clergy with Cantor Arik Luck and musician Jonathan Ferris.
No One Pass or ticket required.

3:30 pm - Community Service led by our teens, Main Sanctuary
Come and be inspired by the music, communal singing, Torah readings and commentaries created and led by our teens with Cantor Marsha Attie and accompanist.
No One Pass or ticket required.

Please note: All passes for High Holy Day services are non-transferable.

TASHLICH

5:00 pm - Tashlich, 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.
No One Pass or ticket required.

YOM KIPPPUR
Passes or tickets required unless otherwise indicated.

KOL NIDRE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

5:00 pm - Family Service, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
One hour worship, led in a participative, educational style by Senior Rabbis Beth and Jonathan Singer, Rabbis Carla Fenves, Sydney Mintz and Jason Rodich and musician Jonathan Bayer. Limited to member families and appropriate for children under age 5.

6:00 pm - Classic Service, Main Sanctuary
Music: Cantor Arik Luck, the Emanu-El Choir, and organist.

8:30 pm - Contemporary Service, Main Sanctuary
Led by Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer and Rabbi Jason Rodich.
Sermon by Rabbi Carla Fenves.
Music: Cantor Marsha Attie and her accompanists.

YOM KIPPPUR DAY
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

9:00 am - Classic Service, Main Sanctuary
Led by Rabbis Carla Fenves and Ryan Bauer.
Sermon by Senior Rabbi Beth Singer.
Music: Cantor Arik Luck, the Emanu-El Choir, and organist.

10:00 am - Service for families with children under 5 years old, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
Led by Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer and Rabbis Sydney Mintz and Jason Rodich.
Music: Cantor Marsha Attie and her accompanists.
No One Pass or ticket required.
10:00 am - Taste of Tauber* Study Session, Guild Hall
High Holy Day Learning with Emanu-El Scholar Rabbi Lawrence Kushner
No One Pass or ticket required.

11:45 am - Contemporary Service, Main Sanctuary
Led by Rabbis Ryan Bauer and Sydney Mintz.
Sermon by Senior Rabbi Beth Singer.
Music: Cantor Marsha Attie and her accompanists.

Noon - Taste of Tauber* Study Session, Guild Hall
High Holy Day Learning with Senior Rabbi Emeritus Stephen Pearce
No One Pass or ticket required.

1:15 pm - Panel Discussion, Rinder Chapel
Wise Aging: Living with Joy, Resilience and Spirit
Join together as we explore the social, emotional and spiritual aspects of growing older.
No One Pass or ticket required.

2:30 pm - Afternoon Service, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
No One Pass or ticket required.

3:30 pm - Community Service led by our teens, Main Sanctuary
Come and be inspired by the music, communal singing, Torah readings and commentaries created and led by our teens with Cantor Marsha Attie and accompanist.
No One Pass or ticket required.

4:00 pm - Guided Meditation, Guild Hall
Led by Rabbi Ryan Bauer
No One Pass or ticket required.

4:00 pm - Healing Service, Reuben Rinder Chapel
Led by Senior Rabbi Beth Singer.
No One Pass or ticket required.

YIZKOR AND NEILAH CONCLUDING WORSHIP
A memorial service called Yizkor (Remembrance) is recited near the conclusion of Yom Kippur. It is said by every person who has lost a parent or other loved ones.
Neilah (the full name of this service is Ne’illat She’arim (Closing of the Gates), referring to the daily closing of the Temple gates in Jerusalem) follows Yizkor. On Yom Kippur, this literal closing is symbolically associated with the closing of the heavenly gates that remained open to prayer until sunset. If you wish to wait until the Yizkor service concludes, you may enter the sanctuary at the beginning of Neilah.

5:30 pm - Classic Yizkor and Neilah Services, Main Sanctuary
Led by Rabbis Carla Fenves and Sydney Mintz.
Sermon by Senior Rabbi Jonathan Singer.
Music: Cantor Arik Luck, the Emanu-El Choir, and organist.

5:30 pm - Contemporary Yizkor and Neilah Services, Martin Meyer Sanctuary
Led by Senior Rabbi Beth Singer and Rabbi Jason Rodich.
Sermon by Rabbi Ryan Bauer.
Music: Cantor Marsha Attie and her accompanists.

Havdalah and Break the Fast following Neilah in the Courtyard.

YOM KIPPUR FOOD DRIVE TO SUPPORT THE SAN FRANCISCO FOOD BANK

When you are asked in the world to come, “What was your work?”
And you answer, “I fed the hungry,”
You will be told, “This is the gate to the Lord, enter into it, you who have fed the hungry.”
(Midrash Psalms 118:17)

Congregation Emanu-El is the single largest donor of non-perishable food to the San Francisco Food Bank in the Bay Area but we can’t continue this mitzvah without your help!

Remember to bring non-perishable food donations (no glass please) to the temple during High Holy Day services. Protein items, such as tuna and peanut butter, are greatly appreciated.

Major collection day is Yom Kippur -- Wednesday, October 12. A truck and Food Bank staff will be at the temple from 8:15 am until noon to directly load food brought at this time.

In addition, barrels are available at the temple all year for drop-off.
We will also collect food for JFCS during the High Holy Days.

*Taste of Tauber is a program of the Madeleine Haas Russell Institute of Jewish Learning.
SELICHOT
Saturday, September 24 • 8:30 PM
Forgiveness in the Dark - A night of stories of teshuvah (forgiveness). Prepare for the High Holy Days with a candlelit Selichot service
8:30 pm Refreshments
9:00 pm Havdalah, Selichot service and storytelling
No One Pass or ticket required.

SUHKOT
Sunday, October 16 - Sunday, October 23
Celebrate Sukkot at the temple with a festive outdoor service at 5:00 pm on Sunday, October 16, followed by dinner in Guild Hall. Please log in to the MyEmanu-El portal at the top right of our website to register. Throughout Sukkot, bring a lunch or dinner, come sit in the sukkah and shake the lulav.

Monday, October 17
Breakfast at 8:30 am, Sukkot service at 9:15 am.

Saturday, October 22
2:00 - 4:00 pm Sukkot Open House
Open house at the home of Senior Rabbis Beth and Jonathan Singer. Please log in to the MyEmanu-El portal at the top right of our website to register and learn the address.

YIZKOR SERVICE
Sunday, October 23 • 9:30 am

SIMCHAT TORAH
Sunday, October 23 • 5:00 pm
Join us as we mark the conclusion of the annual cycle of public Torah readings, and the beginning of a new cycle! This joyful and festive occasion includes a light dinner and dancing and singing with the Torah, and is a perfect celebration for the whole family. Please log in to the MyEmanu-El portal at the top right of our website to register so we know how much food to order.

HIGH HOLY DAYS - LOGISTICS OVERVIEW

ONE PASS
With your One Pass, you may attend any service. You will need to show your One Pass at all services except those that indicate “No One Pass or ticket required” or “Open to the Community.” Students are welcome to come showing their school IDs; no passes needed.

Please note: All passes for High Holy Day services are non-transferable.

SECURITY
For the protection of everyone, security personnel reserve the right to inspect all purses and packages and check identification. In the interest of time, please bring only what you will need during the service. Allow extra time to pass through the security lines.

PARKING - CHANGES THIS YEAR
Offsite parking will still be located in the Presidio, however the Presidio rules have changed and we are unable to reserve a lot or pre-pay for parking. The charge before 6:00 pm is $1.50/hour with a $8/day maximum and no time limit. There is no charge for parking after 6:00 pm. There should be ample parking available, and the parking machines accept credit cards.

We are still able to provide shuttles to bring you to the temple. To board the shuttles, please look for our security officer and the large light fixture we have rented to illuminate evening parking, which is located in the Main Post lot at Arguello and Sheridan streets. Please allow at least 45 minutes for transportation and the security check at the temple entrance.

SHUTTLE SCHEDULE:

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If you would like to look for street parking around the temple, we have obtained waivers of time limits and street cleaning for both sides of the following streets:
- Lake from Arguello to 4th Ave.
- 2nd Ave., 3rd Ave. and 4th Ave. from Lake to California
- Arguello from Jackson to California
- Sacramento, Clay, Washington and Jackson from Arguello to Spruce
- Cherry, Maple and Spruce from Jackson to Sacramento
CHILD CARE
Child care is provided during the early evening services, morning services and during Yizkor and Neilah. There is no childcare for the late (Contemporary) evening services. Child care is for children 2 - 10 years old. Please log in to the MyEmanu-El portal at the top right of our website to find the form for child care.

If you choose to bring a young child to the Classic or Contemporary services, please be sure that your child is able to sit through the entire service (approximately two hours) so as not to disturb other worshippers. Otherwise, please register for child care when offered, or make other arrangements.

VISITORS
You may include your friends or relatives who would like to attend in one of the following ways:

- Please log in to the MyEmanu-El portal at the top right of our website to request tickets.
- If your visitors belong to a Reform or Liberal congregation, please ask them to request tickets by having their synagogue send us a URJ Courtesy Request form. Your guests should ask their synagogue to indicate on the Courtesy Request form that they are attending with you.
- We have a limited number of tickets available for visitors and they can only be purchased by members of the synagogue. It is important to emphasize that Congregation Emanu-El members are our first priority with respect to space at High Holy Day services.

TRAVEL
If you will be traveling within the United States and/or abroad during the High Holy Days, we can request courtesy seats for you at other Reform and Liberal congregations. Please log in to the MyEmanu-El portal at the top right of our website to find the form to request reciprocity.

HIGH HOLY DAY USHERS
Every year for the High Holy Day services, we need temple ushers who extend a warm welcome, hand out prayer books, help congregants with seating, and answer general questions. Enrich your High Holy Day experience and help make the experiences of fellow members a positive and spiritual one. Please log in to the MyEmanu-El portal at the top right of our website to volunteer to usher.

Requirement: You must arrive 45 minutes prior to the start of the service to be at your post and ready to greet when the doors open. For more information, please contact Director of Membership Services, Terry Kraus, membership@emanuelsf.org or (415) 750-7552.

TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE FOR SENIORS IN SAN FRANCISCO ON HIGH HOLY DAYS
In partnership with the Jewish Community Federation, Congregation Emanu-El is again offering to subsidize half of the cost of transportation for elderly and disabled San Francisco resident members. We are offering transportation for the 6:00 pm Classic Erev Rosh Hashanah service on Sunday, October 2, the 6:00 pm Classic Kol Nidre service on Tuesday, October 11 and the 5:30 pm Yizkor service on Wednesday, October 12. All services will be in the Main Sanctuary. Our transportation provider is SilverRide, a company that specializes in transportation for older adults.

Reservations for the subsidized SilverRide service can be made through the temple, and the firm deadline is Monday, September 12. The cost is $25 per person for each round trip.

Please log in to the MyEmanu-El portal at the top right of our website to find the form to request transportation, or contact Director of Membership Services Terry Kraus, membership@emanuelsf.org or (415) 750-7552.

QUESTIONS
If you have any questions about the High Holy Days, please contact our High Holy Days office at (415) 751-2541 x138 or email hhd@emanuelsf.org.

HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY
NO ONE PASS OR TICKET REQUIRED

On RO什 HASHANAH
Tashlich, Monday, October 3 - 5:00 pm at Baker Beach

On YOM KIPPUR
Afternoon Service, Wednesday, October 12 - 2:30 pm
Guided Meditation, Wednesday, October 12 - 4:00 pm
Healing Service, Wednesday, October 12 - 4:00 pm

STUDY SESSIONS, TASTE OF TAUBER*
Yom Kippur, Wednesday, October 12 - 10:00 am & Noon

FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND TEENS
Young children (under age 5), Martin Meyer Sanctuary Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Days - 10:00 am

Older children (ages 5 - 10), Main Sanctuary Rosh Hashanah - 2:30 pm
Community Service led by our teens, Main Sanctuary Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Days - 3:30 pm

*Taste of Tauber is a program of the Madeleine Haas Russell Institute of Jewish Learning.

Wondering how you can get involved with Social Justice?
Curious about what Congregation Emanu-El is doing in the Social Justice arena?

Join your fellow congregants as they host a Tzedek Expo on Yom Kippur day.
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

EMANU-EL IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Emanu-El in the Neighborhood offers home-hosted, potluck gatherings, ranging from clergy-led Havdalahs, to Shabbat dinners, break-the-fast and more. These gatherings provide an opportunity for congregants to meet their neighbors in intimate settings and get to know one another outside of the synagogue walls.

For latest updates on neighborhood gatherings and to meet your Neighborhood Liaisons, visit www.emanuelsf.org/EIN.

Interested in getting involved in your neighborhood? Many neighborhoods are seeking volunteers to host, reach out to congregants in need and welcome new congregants.

Questions? Contact Rachel Schonwetter at rschonwetter@emanuelsf.org or (415) 751-2541 x171.

THE TRIBE FOR WOMEN

Sushi and Social Media
Thursday, September 15, 7:00 – 9:00 pm
Location: Private Home
Price: $20 members
Join us for a night of delectable eats while we “roll” through the implications of social media in regard to the family and home. Come to share your thoughts, ideas, and kick back for a night in with your peers—chopsticks included!
Register at www.emanuelsf.org/register.

THE TRIBE FOR WOMEN AND WOMEN’S GROUP

Elul Mikvah and Breakfast
Sunday, September 25, 9:30 – 11:30 am
Location: Ocean Beach
Join Rabbi Mintz, Rabbi Fenves and women from Emanu-El’s The Tribe for Women and Women’s Group for a morning of spiritual exploration and preparation for the High Holy Days at Ocean Beach. Bringing your bathing suit and taking a dip is optional! Keep the morning going by heading out with your peers for an optional, no-host brunch or snack.

Sukkot Dinner
Wednesday, October 19, 7:00 – 9:00 pm
Location: Congregation Emanu-El
Gather in our temporary dwelling and rejoice with our annual festive dinner in the Temple Emanu-El sukkah. This celebration is exclusively for Tribe for Women and Women’s Group.

THE TRIBE

The Tribe: In the Ocean at Dawn!
Sunday, September 25, 5:00 am, Baker Beach
The High Holy Days are a time where we open ourselves up, looking deep inside our souls, to examine who we have been and who we want to be. Have we accomplished all we can, have we done all that we should? Have we treated others respectfully; were we kind and good? Join Rabbi Ryan Bauer for this morning of spiritual exploration and preparation. Bring warm clothes and a towel! Questions? Contact Rebecca Reiner, reiner@emanuelsf.org or (415) 751-2541 x170.

ISRAEL ACTION COMMITTEE

Israel and the American Jewish Community: Working Together to Fulfill the Dream
Tuesday, September 20
Check-in and Security, 6:30 pm
Program, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Co-sponsored by AIPAC and Congregation Emanu-El
Featuring Yossi Klein Halevi, author and Senior Fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem

To register go to: www.aipac.org/EmanuelYKHL
Advance registration is required. No onsite registration.

For questions, please contact the San Francisco AIPAC Office at (415) 989-4140 or NorthernCaliforniaEvents_Office@aipac.org.

Yossi Klein Halevi is author of Like Dreamers: The Story of the Israeli Paratroopers Who Reunited Jerusalem and Divided a Nation, published by Harper Collins in 2013. Like Dreamers won the Jewish Book Council’s Best Jewish Book of the Year. He is also a contributing editor at the New Republic and writes for The Times of Israel and the op-ed pages of leading American newspapers.

TZEDEK COUNCIL

San Francisco Community Education Forum
Wednesday, September 7, Congregation Emanu-El
Doors open at 6:30 pm, forum begins no later than 6:45 pm

Join the Jewish Community Relations Council, Congregation Emanu-El and the Raoul Wallenberg Jewish Democratic Club for a forum about education with candidates running for the San Francisco Board of Education.

There are numerous issues facing the San Francisco Unified School District and we invite both Jewish and non-Jewish members of the community, as well as all San Francisco voters, to join us for this important dialogue. Please register today!

ECONOMIC JUSTICE

Raphael House Corporate and Community Monthly Chef Nights
Monday, September 26, 3:30 - 7:00 pm

The mission of Raphael House is to help at-risk families achieve stable housing and financial independence while strengthening family bonds and personal dignity. We will be preparing and serving dinner to the residents at Raphael House, working with their chef. Space is limited to 6 volunteers per evening.
Register at www.emanuelsf.org/register.

SAVE THE DATE!

Jewnatics: Spotlight on Jewish Genetics, Breast Cancer, BRCA and Beyond
Sunday, October 30, 9:30 am to noon
A Morning of Learning with Dr. Laura Esserman, Dena Goldberg and Justine Shapiro

Dr. Laura Esserman
Volunteer Opportunities
Cooking for Congregants:
An Easy Way to Give Back to the Emanu-El Community

First and Second Thursdays of the month,
9:00 -11:00 am in the Emanu-El kitchen
Thursday, September 1
Thursday, September 8
Register at www.emanuelsf.org/register.

Participate in this mitzvah led by congregant and former restaurant owner, Gail Laghi. Gail leads a two-hour cooking session with up to ten congregant volunteers to make meals for congregants in need, due to a recent illness, death, or birth. All congregants are welcome to join. Menu, ingredients and storage containers are provided.
Questions? Contact Rebecca Reiner at (415) 751-2541 x170 or rreiner@emanuelsf.org.

Back to School Supply Drive
Help all children get a fresh start in school! Now through September 30, you can drop off donations of school supplies in the Temple foyer. All supplies will be distributed to our partner Back on Track at the Third Baptist Church.
New supplies requested:
- Gender-neutral backpacks
- Wide-ruled filler paper
- Washable markers
- Pens
- Zippered pencil pouches
- Highlighters
- #2 pencils
- Colored pencils
- Glue sticks

Small Group
The Stories of Your Life:
A Guided Autobiography and Life Review Writing Group

Occurring monthly on Mondays from 10:00 am – noon
September 12 and October 10
Join our ongoing group of adult peers to explore, share and preserve your unique life in writing. Get to know yourself and others better. The stories are more important than the writing, so don’t worry about skill level. Past topics have included Turning Points, Your Relationship with Money, Pleasant Surprises, and more. The writing is done at home and shared in class in a safe and structured way. Our friendly group welcomes newcomers. Facilitated by fellow congregant, Nancy Alpert, LCSW.
For more information and to register, contact Valerie Bishop at vbishop@emanuelsf.org or (415) 751-2541 x177. New participants are always welcome!

Interfaith Family Picnic
Sunday, September 18, 10:00 am – noon
Location: Julius Kahn Park
Do you identify as interfaith? Are you interested in meeting other Emanu-El congregants and families who also identify as interfaith? Then join fellow interfaith members of Congregation Emanu-El for a family-friendly picnic in the park.

Temple Emanu-El Preschool
*New* January Two’s Program!
Accepting Applications Now

Join us in our thoughtful and nurturing Jewish community this winter! We invite families with children turning two-years-old between September 2016 and January 2017 to get a jump start on preschool without waiting until next fall. Featuring small class sizes and our innovative approach to early childhood education children will learn and grow with caring teachers as they explore developmentally appropriate curriculum.

For more information, please contact Nika Greenberg, Early Childhood Programs manager at ngreenberg@emanuelsf.org.

Temple Emanu-El Preschool
Spots Still Available for the 2016-17 School Year

We have limited spaces for children currently available in our fall two- and three-year-old programs.
To request additional information or to apply, please contact Stephanie Owen, Administrative Coordinator at sowen@emanuelsf.org.
Fred and Nancy are sponsors of the Yom Kippur prayer books that will be used for the first time at upcoming Yom Kippur services.

Fred Levin and Nancy Livingston

How far back do you trace your Jewish roots?

Fred: I’m a fourth generation San Franciscan and my family were members of the congregation since the late 1940s. My Bar Mitzvah was here in 1957 and I was confirmed two years later. My great-grandfather, Aaron Shenson, came to San Francisco in the late 1800s and opened up one of the first kosher butcher shops. He also co-founded Keneseth Israel on Webster Street, one of the oldest Orthodox synagogues in the city. He was the second president of the Hebrew Free Loan Association of San Francisco. My grandparents belonged to a Conservative congregation and the following generation joined Congregation Emanu-El.

Nancy: I hail from Cleveland. My family belonged to the Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple and were very active in the Jewish community. My father worked tirelessly for the Jewish Federation and my mother was regional vice president for the National Council of Jewish Women. My grandmother grew up in Sherin, Pennsylvania and started the town’s first Reform Sunday school.

How did you two meet? Was it love at first sight?

Fred: We met through work. I was in the manufacturing business and Nancy worked for an advertising firm. My company hired her company.

Nancy: It took time. Our relationship grew. We’ve been together since 1978. We both had a sense of each other’s Jewishness. It was a very good connection and made working with each other very pleasant.

When did you both begin coming to Emanu-El?

Fred: We lived in Mill Valley for many years and were active members of Rodef Sholom; in fact, I am a past president. By 2000, we started attending Emanu-El more with our family. We moved back to San Francisco five years ago.

Nancy: Fred has great memories of Rabbis Alvin Fine and Mike Heller from the 1950s. Rabbi Stephen Pearce and Cantor Roz Barak were very close friends of the Shenson and Levin families. We are now enjoying getting to know our new clergy as we deepen our connection with Emanu-El.

You dedicated these new prayer books to the Levin and Shenson families. Share with us a bit about them.

Fred: My cousins, Ben and Jess Shenson, were very involved in the congregation. They previously funded the restoration of the temple organ and also sponsored many annual concerts at the synagogue. My mother, Irma Shenson Levin, was on the committee that arranged the flowers in the Main Sanctuary. We wanted to continue our family tradition and felt that honoring them by sponsoring the new prayer book was something they would have done.

Nancy: Rabbi Beth Singer introduced us to the Yom Kippur prayer book after which Fred and I discussed the possibility of sponsoring it as a gift to the congregation. We called Lani Zinn (Emanu-El’s Director of Development) to discuss it. Sponsoring a prayer book leaves a very compelling legacy and is a meaningful way to honor our family. We strongly encourage others to do the same.

Have You Remembered the Temple in Your Estate Plan?

We invite you to become a member of the Emanu-El Legacy Circle. If you have included Congregation Emanu-El in your estate planning through a bequest, or as a beneficiary of an insurance or retirement plan, you already qualify as a member of our Legacy Circle. Just let us know that you have done so.

As a member of this esteemed circle of supporters, you will join others in proclaiming your commitment to the life and mission of Congregation Emanu-El.

If you have made a provision for Congregation Emanu-El in your will, or would like to speak with someone at the Temple about the Emanu-El Legacy Circle, please contact the Development Office at (415) 750-7557.

Please visit www.emanuelsf.org/bookplates.
JEWISH EUROPEAN HISTORY & CULTURE
Welcome to a year of study about the rich Jewish experience including history, culture and the arts in a place that we left and yet stays with us as we shape the Jewish future.

Fall: Eastern European Jewish History
Join the fabulous Professor Fred Astren of SF State as he lays the intellectual foundations for our study.
7:00 - 8:30 pm
Oct. 25; Nov. 1, 29; Dec. 6, 13
Emanu-El Member cost: $54, Cost: $75

Contemporary European Antisemitism – Contemporary Trend or Long-Term Reawakening?
Led by Counsel Generals and facilitated by Gunda Trepp
Sunday, December 4, 10:30 am

The Creation and Impact of the Polin Museum on Polish Jews
Lecture by Tad Taube
Join us for this exclusive opportunity to hear from this visionary founder and supporter of this award winning museum on the site of the former Warsaw Ghetto.
Tuesday, March 7, 2017, 7:00 pm

A Tour of Jewish Eastern Europe with Rabbi Jonathan Singer and Rabbi Larry Kushner
We are announcing a trip this coming year to a part of the world where both Jewish Yiddish secular culture and Hassidism flourished. Join us as we learn about the past and engage with Jews who are building, much to everyone’s amazement, a Jewish future there too.
May 1-12 2017
Cost $4470, land only

Tuesday Night Class: Struggling with Spirituality, God Ideas and Religious Meaning
In this class Rabbi Jonathan will create a safe place for those who question God’s existence, have wondered about the possibility of spirituality with or without God. Using both traditional and radical texts from Rabbi Nachman of Bratzlavs narrow bridge, to Buber’s eclipse of God, we will explore different Jewish pathways about technology and God’s presence, what does it mean to pray or mediate in 21st century context, and consider the value of ritual, and spiritual objects in contemporary life.
7:00 - 8:30 pm
Oct. 25; Nov. 1, 29; Dec. 6, 13
Emanu-El Member cost: $54, Non-member cost $75

JEWISH LIVING
Anshei Mitzvah is Back! (adult bar/bat mitzvah program)
Congregation Emanu-El is thrilled to announce the return of Anshei Mitzvah, our adult bar/bat mitzvah training program. Content will include practical Torah/Haftarah chanting skills, as well as continued academic study and enrichment with our cantors and rabbis. As a prerequisite for the class, interested participants must be able to read basic Hebrew (letter and vowel recognition as well as basic decoding). The Anshei Mitzvah Ceremony will take place in May 2017.
Sunday mornings from 9:30 – 11:00am
Starting in Fall 2016. (only open to Congregation Emanu-El members)
Emanu-El Member cost: $360

Introduction to Judaism 2016-2017
Join with Emanu-El clergy to learn about the breadth and wonder of Jewish tradition. This class is a pathway for the adult learner who wishes to discover or deepen Jewish knowledge, non-Jews who are marrying a Jewish partner, and those who are considering conversion to Judaism.
Tuesday evening from 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Starting in Fall 2016.
Emanu-El Member cost: $54, Non-member cost $75

TAUBER JEWISH STUDIES PROGRAMS
2016 - 2017 Tauber Yesod Year Two: The World of the Rabbis Certificate in Jewish Knowledge Two-Year Course
Open to new and continuing students this in-depth learning opportunity leads to a certificate in Jewish Knowledge. Taught by award winning teachers, this class is helps one to build Jewish Community and creates a strong foundation of Jewish knowledge.

Tuesday Nights from 7:00 – 9:00 pm beginning in October through May 2017. (Yesod has a rolling enrollment and students can register for any trimester at any time!)

Fall: Rabbinic Period
Oct. 25; Nov. 1, 8, 15, 29; Dec. 6, 13
Themes: Debate, interpretation, authority, community
Readings: Mishnah, Tosefta, Midrash Halacha, Midrash Aggadah, Jerusalem Talmud, Babylonian Talmud

Winter: Medieval Period
Jan. 17, 24, 31; Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28
Themes: Biblical exegesis, Ashkenaz and Sephard, eschatology, rationalism, spirituality.
Readings: Rashi, Maimonides, Nachmanides, Ibn Ezra, Judah Halevi, Joseph Karo
Emanu-El Member cost: $240, Non-member Cost: $360

The Tauber Jewish Studies Program is made possible by The Laszlo N. Tauber Family Foundation, reflecting the dynamic, generous, and enduring spirit of Dr. Laszlo N. Tauber.

Tauber Beit Midrash
In Hebrew, “Beit” means house and the word “Midrash” comes from the root “to seek” or “to investigate.” A Beit Midrash is a house of study. The Tauber Beit Midrash here at Emanu-El offers unique access to the rich tradition of Jewish textual interpretation in a welcoming and intellectual environment. Our house is open to those who have studied before and those who have never looked at a daf (a page of rabbinic literature).

Free and open to the community, whenever school is in session.

Sundays, 9:30 – 10:30 am in the Main Sanctuary Foyer
Led by Rabbis Lawrence Kushner, Jane Litman and Jonathan Singer.
Oct. 9, 16, 23, 30; Nov. 13, 20; Dec. 4, 11
Jan. 8, 22, 29; Feb. 5, 12, 26; Mar. 5, 19, 26; Apr. 2, 9, 23

MONTHLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
At the Rabbi’s Table – Downtown
Take a break at lunch and join a monthly pop-up learning opportunity for Young Adults at various locations.
First Date, September 14 at Noon!
Location for 9/14: 55 2nd Street

First Wednesdays of the Month
Join Emanu-El clergy on one Wednesday a month for an hour of learning and engagement ranging from a rabbinic/Talmudic issue that speaks to today’s events to a cultural or spiritual discussion.
First Date: Learning and Limonata, September 7, 4:00 pm
Location: Book Passage, Corte Madera

New Brown Bag First Wednesdays at Emanu-El
Join Emanu-El clergy for engaging spiritual and cultural discussions.
First Date: September 7 at Noon
Location: Congregation Emanu-El Library
SEPTEMBER 2016 B’NEI MITZVAH

Adam Moss
Bar Mitzvah: September 10
Martin Meyer Sanctuary
Parents: Brion Moss & Tia Winn
Torah Portion: Shof’tim

Paul Friedman
Bar Mitzvah: September 17
Chapel
Parent: Ellen Friedman
Torah Portion: Ki Tetze

Isabella Ballon
Bat Mitzvah: September 24
Main Sanctuary
Parents: Jonathan & Sabra Ballon
Torah Portion: Ki Tavo

Alexander Gamshad
Bar Mitzvah: September 24
Martin Meyer Sanctuary
Parents: Mohsen & Lisa Gamshad
Torah Portion: Ki Tavo

Celebrating a Shehecheyanu Moment?
Congregation Emanu-El is an ever-present partner in the transitional moments of our members’ lives. Be it a baby naming or brit milah, bar or bat mitzvah, conversion or wedding ceremony or a recovery from illness, the temple clergy and staff strive to ensure that each sacred ‘Shehecheyanu Moment’ is deeply fulfilling and personal. A donation to the Emanu-El Life-Cycle Fund is a lovely way to mark a personal life-cycle experience, to honor friends or family celebrating a happy milestone or in gratitude for the services the clergy provide during these profound moments. Please donate online at www.emanuelsf.org or call the Development office at (415) 750-7554.

MAZEL TOV TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED JOY
Elizabeth Matthews and Allen Mathis on adopting their son, Isaac Sterling Mathis
Meghan and Daniel Gavigan on the birth of their daughter, Abigail Sophie Gavigan
Denise and Alex Zusman on the birth of their son, Felix Rafael Zusman

CONDOLENCES TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE SUFFERED RECENT LOSSES
Michelle Schulz and Barbara Schulz on the death of their aunt, Betty Guy
Joelle Benioff on the death of her mother, and Marc Benioff (Lynne) and Julie Young (Adam) on the death of their grandmother, Frederica Lewis
Friends and family of longtime member, Fae Asher (wife of the late Rabbi Joseph Asher who served our congregation from 1968 to 1985
Mollie Goodman (Andrew O’Brien) on the death of her father, and Audrey O’Brien on the death of her grandfather, William Goodman

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS ON THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS
Susan Lowenberg on being named the new President of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Community Center of San Francisco
Betty Schafer on her election to the board of the Jewish Community Center of San Francisco

NEW MEMBERS - Welcome!

REJOINED MEMBERS - Welcome Back!
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Memory of Leland Spiegelman
Memory of Estelle Weintraub
Yahrzeit of Milton H. Tick
Yahrzeit of Sylvia J. Roeder
Memory of K. Broitman

Honor of Rabbi Beth Singer for 2015
Women's Tour leadership

Honor of Rabbis Jonathan and Beth Singer

Yahrzeit of David Manning White
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**OCTOBER:**
Friday, October 7

**New First Friday Shabbat Services!**
5:30 pm, First Friday Under Five (MMS)
6:00 pm, Classic Shabbat Service (Main)
6:15 pm, Simchat Shabbat Dinner (Guild Hall)
7:30 pm, Late One Shabbat Service (MMS)

View school calendars at www.emanuelsf.org/school-calendars

For more information, please call us at (415) 751-2535 or visit www.emanuelsf.org. All events take place at Temple Emanu-El unless marked Not at Temple (NAT).

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In introduction 1b of the Zohar it says, “What balances and stabilizes the world? The voices of children in study!” That is certainly what we feel at Emanu-El as the students of the Youth and Family Education program start coming through our gates again five days a week to engage in Judaics and Hebrew. This year you will see some changes in the program as we find new ways to integrate the feedback we have received from families.

The first thing you may notice is our community building efforts within YFE. Our faculty is implementing practices from the Responsive Classroom philosophy while parent volunteers are working together to create community between families in each Havurah, or grade level. Be on the lookout for emails from fellow parents inviting you to join them at Shabbat services or for a Sunday picnic lunch after YFE.

Our 6th grade program will also incorporate parents at one of the three retreats at Camp Newman. We are looking forward to learning together as the B’nei Mitzvah training starts to ramp up for these students. Additionally, the students and their adults will be joining Saturday morning worship on a monthly basis to become more familiar and comfortable with the service as the big day approaches for their family. This also fits nicely with our Year of Shabbat at Emanu-El. Even our Armadillo mascot will be getting in on the fun every week as he explores our weekly day of rest with the students.

It’s going to be a great year, and we look forward to sharing more of the exciting things happening in YFE with you.

Now it is my turn to leave a gift to the synagogue in gratitude for all that my family and I have received. It won’t be enough to stand out like Torah scrolls or stained glass windows, but that’s not the point. The point is that my gift - along with many others, I hope, will ensure that future generations will benefit from Congregation Emanu-El and all it offers to the San Francisco Jewish community.

- Rita Semel
Yom Kippur Food Drive To Support the San Francisco Food Bank and Jewish Family and Children’s Services

When you are asked in the world to come, 
“What was your work?”
And you answer, 
“I fed the hungry,”
You will be told, 
“This is the gate to the Lord, enter into it, you who have fed the hungry.”
(Midrash Psalms 118:17)
Congregation Emanu-El is the single largest donor of non-perishable food to the San Francisco Food Bank, but we can’t continue this mitzvah without your help!
Remember to bring non-perishable food donations (no glass, please) to Congregation Emanu-El during High Holy Day services.

Here’s what is really needed:

- Canned beans (low sodium)
- Beef stew/chili and soups (low sodium)
- Canned meats…chicken (low sodium)
- Canned seafood…salmon, tuna, sardines… (low sodium)
- Nut Butters
- Jellies (all fruit)
- Pasta
- Rice
- Dried beans
- Canned fruits (low sugar)
- Canned veggies…tomatoes, yams, green beans, corn, peas, mushrooms (low sodium)
- Soup stocks
- Cooking oil
- Herbs…basil, oregano, thyme, chili powder, pepper, five-spice, cumin and curry
- Cereals (multigrain and low sugar)
- Oatmeal
- Soy Milk (shelf stable)
- 100% fruit juice in single servings

Major collection day is Yom Kippur, Wednesday, October 12. Food Bank staff with a truck will be at the Temple from 8:15 am until noon to directly load food brought at this time. In addition, Food Bank barrels are in the Temple courtyard all year for drop-off. Barrels for Jewish Family and Children’s Services will be here from September 22 - October 19.