

SACRED STORIES SHABBAT WITH **ESPN COMMENTATOR CHRIS BERMAN**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13 7:30PM



Leading sportscaster Chris Berman will share his wit and wisdom with our congregation at our upcoming Sacred Stories Shabbat. Having grown up here at Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester, Chris used to pass basketball scores to Rabbi Wolk when he was on the bimah. Chris will share his perspective on the state of professional athletics ethics during this Sacred Stories Shabbat service. With Chris's energy, congregant stories, our temple band, the Temple Tones, and the feeling of community, this will be an all-star night at Emanu-El.



CHANUKAH HAPPENINGS

Get out of your routines and celebrate the miracles in your life! Chanukah gives us the chance to see the light in the world around us, the things that bring us joy and warmth even in the midst of the winter's cold and darkness. As bright as the candles burn, there is nothing warmer than the feeling of our community coming together to sing and pray, eat and celebrate. Attend one of these wonderful celebrations – or several of them – and ignite a spark of gratitude in your own life.

YOUNG FAMILIES CHANUKAH CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 10:00AM

Latkes, games, crafts, and music! After a fun, musical service we'll light the Chanukah candles in anticipation of the coming festival. RSVP details on page 19.

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP CHANUKAH POT LUCK DINNER

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10 6:30PM

The women of the congregation join together to learn with our Religious Educator Marcie Aiuvalasit and Cantor Meredith Stone. We will give thanks, bask in the light, and enjoy a delicious meal. RSVP details on page 16.

CHANUKAH PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN **DROP-OFF PROGRAM**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13 9:30 - 11:45AM

The Chanukah celebration continues for your pre-k and kindergarten students at our drop-off religious school program. Students will learn the exciting story of Chanukah through age appropriate games, singing, and Chanukah fun. This program is free and open to non-members. Please let your friends know. RSVP details on page 22.

CHANUKAH SHABBAT DINNER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11 6:30PM

Delicious chicken and homemade latkes fill up the tables of our beautiful Susan Schweitzer Family Learning Center for our annual Chanukah dinner. Bring your family to celebrate Chanukah with your extended Emanu-El family! RSVP details on page 10.

CHANUKAH SHABBAT SERVICE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11 7:30PM

B.Y.O.M. (Bring Your Own Menorah) for our annual Shabbat celebration of Chanukah. We will get in the Chanukah spirit with our band and annual sing-a-long. We will also honor teachers and teaching assistants in recognition of all they do. Bring your menorah to help create a warm glow for all at this fun service. Following the service, we will have our annual "Spinagogue" dreidel spinning competition.









WHEN SOMEONE DIES... We're here for you. See page 5 to find out your first steps when a loved one passes away.

SNAPSHOT: NATURE WALK & TASHLICH

Over one hundred of us welcomed 5776 in the beauty of the Edith Read Sanctuary during our annual Rosh Hashanah Day II Nature Walk and Tashlich. From age 2 to age 90, we enjoyed the beauty of the woods and the sea, inspirational readings, music and of course, good company!

Missed it this year? Mark your calendars for Tuesday, October 4, 2016!





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ICON GUIDE

With myriad ways to engage at the synagogue, our icons make it easy to recognize those things that interest you.



REFLECT & ELEVATE

Find peace and inspiration from these worship, meditative, reflection-filled experiences that will elevate your mind and spirit.



MIX & MINGLE

Connect with others to find true joy. These social and cultural events create the space to gather together around fun, engaging and interesting topics and activities.



FAMILY TIME

Spend a few hours with the people you hold most dear. Our strongest link to Judaism is through our family. Refresh those bonds with your spouse, parents, children, and grandchildren to create memories that will endure for decades to come.



STEP-UP & GIVE BACK

Stand up for the values you espouse and give your time, energy and resources to the community. There is no better way to express gratitude for the blessings in our lives.



SEEK & DISCOVER

Expand your mind. Find new ways to think about our world rooted in innovative perspectives on our ancient tradition.

RABBI'S MESSAGE

I'm at a loss. I hear from friends in Israel and I read the newspapers and I listen to the radio. Teenagers and children are stabbing innocent Israelis on the street. With knives and meat cleavers, screw drivers and even a potato peeler, teens instigated



by both terrorist organizations and the official Palestinian leadership are spilling blood. When Israelis defend themselves from the deadly attacks with deadly force they're accused of extra-judicial executions, of disproportionate force. Seriously? What should Israelis do as someone tries to kill them? Jewish tradition, at least, is very clear on this point: "If a man comes to kill you, rise early and kill him first." (Talmud, Berachot 58a). This self defense is not carried out with joy or glee, it is done reluctantly and with great caution. But Israelis have the right – the responsibility – to defend themselves.

It feels, once again, that Jews are being unfairly singled out, told that we cannot defend ourselves, that we must take the attacks sitting down.

There is one area that is cited continually by the Palestinians as the reason for this current so-called "resistance". According to the propaganda, Jewish Israelis are supposedly trying to change the status quo in the area known to us as The Temple Mount, or Har Habayit, and to the Palestinians as the Noble Sanctuary, or Haram esh-Sharif. To understand this claim, a bit of context may prove helpful.

According the legend, God laid the cornerstone for the earth at that very spot. It is the place where, according to tradition, Abraham was willing to sacrifice Isaac before an angel came, stopped the sacrifice and thereby put an end to human sacrifice for the Abrahamic religions. According to the Bible, King Solomon built the first Israelite sacrificial Temple on that hill and we understood it to be God's dwelling place on earth for the next 500 years or so. Then, in 586 BCE, King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylonia conquered Jerusalem and destroyed the Temple. Seventy years later, after the Persians

conquered the Babylonians, King Cyrus of Persia invited the Israelites to return to Jerusalem and rebuild their Temple. In the first century BCE, King Herod reinforced the site with retaining walls and added on to the Temple structure. A small portion of that retaining wall is known today as the Western Wall or the Kotel. And finally, in the year 70 CE, the Romans conquered Jerusalem, exiling her residents and destroying our Temple.

The site lay in ruins until 638 CE when the Muslims came, declared it to be the site from which the Prophet Mohammed, accompanied by the Angel Gabriel, made the Night Journey to the Throne of God (The Koran, Sura Al-Isra' 17:1). They first built a small house of worship, followed by the grand Dome of the Rock and finally the Al-Aqsa mosque. All of this makes the site holy to Muslims as well as to Jews. Whose house of God was there first becomes a bit irrelevant when we realize that the site has been sacred to both peoples for well over a thousand years.

In 1948, Jordan captured the city and forbid any Jew from entering the site. Then, in 1967, the Jews recaptured Jerusalem, uniting their capital. They made an arrangement with an Islamic Waqf, or religious council. The Waqf would administer the site and the Israelis would provide security. Anyone may visit the site but only Muslim prayer would be allowed. This arrangement has provided relative security and stability over the last 50 years or so. While some fringe Israeli groups seek to change the status quo – even by destroying the Muslim sites and building a Third Temple – no Israeli government has ever proposed changing the status quo. Let me repeat that. No Israeli government has ever proposed or taken any action to change the status quo which has been in place for nearly 50 years.

And so, the assertions that Netanyahu's government is plotting against the Islamic sites on the Temple Mount are simply lies, a conspiracy theory whose only purpose can be to provoke attacks and terror and discord. And it's working. Stabbings and shootings are proliferating. Hamas has called for a day of rage. Abbas has made false accusations of Israel executing 13 year olds when, in fact, the Palestinian 13 year old in question is recovering in an Israeli hospital after trying to kill a 13 year old Jewish Israeli.

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B'NEI MITZVAH MAZEL TOV!

We would like to honor the following students who are celebrating their B'nei Mitzvah ceremonies in November and December. It is a pleasure and a joy to welcome them as full members of our congregation.

CHARLIE CANELL
CHARLIE ROSENBLUM
VICTORIA ROSENSTOCK



RABBI'S MESSAGE (continued)

And, why does it seem that the only outcry is for the Palestinians? Why are more people not asking why Palestinians are allowing their teenagers to go and stab Jewish Israelis? It feels, once again, that Jews are being unfairly singled out, told that we cannot defend ourselves, that we must take the attacks sitting down. Well, we won't. We will stand against terror. And we will do it always with our hand outstretched in hopes of a partner for a durable peace. We will defend ourselves with more restraint than any other security force in the world would show. And we will do it always with a prayer for peace on our lips.

In Parashat Noach, which we read a few weeks ago, we learned that the great flood arrived because of the violence and corruption that filled the earth.

All was destroyed but a speck of hope and life kept alive on a rickety, man-made ark. Once the waters subsided, God put

a rainbow in the sky, a promise never to destroy the earth with a flood again. Noah's family used the hope of the ark to rebuild the world. Let us seek the rainbow that shines in the better parts of our nature. Let us then work with all peoples – Israelis, Palestinians, everyone – to transform the hope embodied by that rainbow into a world rebuilt on foundations of justice, co-existence and, God willing, peace.

A DEATH IN THE FAMILY

Our clergy are here for you when someone you love passes away.

If your loved one is terminally ill, please call Rabbi Goldsmith to let him know so that he may both offer his concern and prayers. He will also counsel you about steps you can take to prepare. When your loved one passes away, call Rabbi Goldsmith *on his cell phone* at 646-957-2692. Please *do not* just leave a message at the temple.

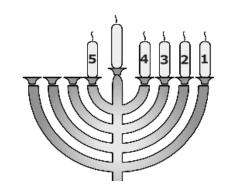
Rabbi Goldsmith will then advise you on the next steps, answer any questions you may have and set up a time to meet with you to prepare for the funeral.

Please feel free to reach out to him any time to discuss this sensitive and important topic.

RITUAL CORNER: CHANUKAH BLESSINGS DIRECTIONS

Place the candles in the Menorah from right to left, one for each day of the festival (i.e. on the third night, you should have 3 candles plus the shemesh candle used to light the others).

After reciting the blessings below, light the candles from left to right.



Lighting the Candles

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלֶם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשֶׁנוּ b'mitzvotav v'tsivanu l'hadlik ner shel Chanukah.

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, You hallow us with Your Commandments, and command us to kindle the Chanukah lights

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asah nisim laavoteinu bayamim haheim baz'man hazeh

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לאַבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בַּוְּמַן הַזֶּה.

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, You showed wonders to our ancestors in days of old and at this season.

First Night Only

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higianu laz'man hazeh.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלֶם, שָׁהֶחֱיֵנוּ וְקִיְמֵנוּ וְהִגִּיעֵנוּ לַזְּמַן הַזֶּה.

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.

Maoz Tzur - Rock of Ages (Sung after lighting the candles)

Maoz tzur y'shuati, l'cha na-ed l'shabei-ach tikon beit t'filati, v'sham מָעוֹז צוּר יְשׁוּעָתִי לְךְּ נָאֶה לְשַׁבְּחַ, תִּכּוֹן בֵּית וְּנִפְלְתִי todah n'zabei-ach l'eit tachin matbei-ach, mitzar ham'nabei-ach az egmor b'shir mizmor chanukat hamizbei-ach
אַז אָגִמֹר בָּשִׁיר מָזְמוֹר חֲנָכַּת הַמְזָבֵּחַ.

Rock of Ages let our song praise Your saving power. You amidst the raging foes were our sheltering tower. Furious they assailed us but Your arm availed us. And Your word broke their sword when our own strength failed us.

GARDEN OF GRATITUDE



Our new Garden of Gratitude next to the sanctuary now has beautiful plantings, a green lawn, restored sculptures and custom benches. Just to the left of the sanctuary, this restored space provides a place where congregants can sit and reflect, enjoy times with friends or simply take a break from the rush of our day-to-day lives. Please take some time to visit the Garden of Gratitude and enjoy the beauty of our congregation.

THE LIGHT OF ACCEPTANCE

My memories of high school, not surprisingly, are somewhat hazy. But it's funny the things we remember. It was a very different time; while girls took home economics and had to sew white bib aprons, I looked on enviously as the boys developed woodworking skills in shop class. I



successfully fulfilled the expectation that girls were bad at math. Everyone took a serious course of typing in high school, which apparently was not only so we could type our papers, but also so the girls could always find work as secretaries. Other options included teacher, nurse, and homemaker. There were few opportunities for girls to participate in team sports other than cheerleading, gymnastics and baton twirling.

Recently I went back to Boston where I grew up, to attend the funeral of my dad's 87 year old cousin Phyllis. Our suburb had been mostly Irish Catholic, very white and conservative, about ten miles south of Boston, not very far from the raging busing wars, the failed attempt at racial integration. I stayed overnight with Phyllis' son, one of my few cousins and my favorite. On the many occasions when my grandmother suggested that one day we should marry, I somehow knew, even at a young age, that it could not and would not ever happen, and not only because he was my cousin! He never spoke with me about being gay until we were in our 50's.

At the shiva at his house, I met a woman who, along with her seven siblings, had attended the same high school as I had. As we connected with the past, I asked her about a certain teacher, whom she told me was known as "Dirty Dave". She told me he used to call a cheerleader to the front of the class, then throw down pencils for her to pick up as he and the hockey players gawked. My own recollection of him was the daily taunts - about camels and pyramids - that he would direct at the one Egyptian student in the school. Another teacher once told the class she met a man whose skin was so black she would be afraid to meet him in a dark alley. The things we remember! When I was younger, the neighborhood kids came around to tell me their parents wouldn't let them play with me because I killed their Lord. My sister still cringes when she recalls being forced to sit in a corner facing the wall for a month after talking out of turn. I was never very comfortable growing up where I did; my family, being

Jewish, was always "different". God knows what else people said and did that kids never told anyone about. Even if they had, it's likely the behavior would not have stopped.

Thankfully, offenses such as these are no longer considered acceptable. My children have been raised in the very diverse environment of the New York City public schools. On our multiple tours of the various elementary, middle and high schools, I reflected on the fact that because of where I grew up I've never had a black friend. In homogeneous environments it's no wonder people often fear and mistrust those who are "different". Even at the liberal northeast university I attended, it's surprising to look back and realize how relatively few minority students there were; they had their own orientation and pretty much kept to themselves.

While the melting pot of my kids' experience has not necessarily been ideally integrated – their close friends are mostly similar to them – it is a far cry from, and a vast improvement upon, the bigoted, xenophobic culture of my youth. Not only have my children grown up alongside people of many races, cultures and ethnicities; they are also comfortable with an expanded spectrum of gender identity. While some of us are still adjusting to concepts like gender binarism, transgender, and transitioning, look how far our society, which so often doesn't learn from history, has come! A black president and gay marriage were simply unimaginable in the past.

The Reform Jewish movement acknowledges the importance of opening our doors and embracing those who enter. Here at Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester we work hard to make sure that all feel welcome. Our annual Pride Shabbat, coming up on December 4th, is now in its third year. The blessing of appreciation we offered on Yom Kippur for our non-Jewish members sent the message that we value every person in our community – everyone contributes to the blessings that we share with one another.

As our days grow shorter and we descend into winter, may we continue to banish the darkness of intolerance and narrow-mindedness that once pervaded our society, and may each of us work to open up to the light of acceptance and diversity both at the congregation and in all parts of our lives.

Meredith

BOARD BUZZ & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Congregants,

Below is a summary of my Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur bimah messages. I welcome your comments, questions and opinions. The best way to reach me is at susan.amkraut@gmail.com.

One year ago, I stood before you newly elected as President of the Congregation. I have taken this appointment very seriously and have cherished every day. I continue to be humbled by this honor.

The support I have felt from the clergy, staff and board and the entire congregation has been overwhelming. I am truly grateful. I have worked hard at learning...and listening.

Here at Congregation Emanu-El we truly are a house of prayer for ALL PEOPLE.

We continue to be a vibrant and growing community. Our path is clear and we are thriving. Our membership is growing, our programming is ever changing and our worship is evolving.

Ten years ago we decided, with a congregational vote, to transform our facilities with the Susan Schweitzer Family Learning Center, the renovated library, gallery and the Kaye Family Room. If you have attended an art opening in the Gallery, our spring benefit, Mitzvah Day or any other program in these beautiful rooms you know how much real value they have added for the congregants, visitors and greater community.

With the recent mortgage refinancing, the office staff restructuring, insurance savings and re-negotiated service contracts we have reduced our operating deficit by over \$100,000 for this fiscal year, savings that will continue into the future.

There are two important giving opportunities which are both critical to fulfilling the mission of our congregation.

The **Annual Fund** supports our operating budget, helping to close our deficit each year. Our annual dues simply do not cover all the expenses of our programming, education and religious services. We can make donations when we pay our dues in June, at the High Holy Days in the fall, during the End of Year Appeal in December and at the Spring Benefit.

In the coming months we will be officially launching the **L'Dor V'Dor Capital Campaign** with the goal of raising \$1.5 million to support our aging infrastructure need. It is urgent we now focus on the sanctuary building roof and air conditioning system replacement.

We have 100% board participation, and additional generous congregant donations and pledges totaling over \$800,000. Between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur one congregant made a contribution of over \$100,000.

Let us continue to be a congregation moving forward together.

As congregants we can all choose to become more engaged to enhance both the life of the congregation and our own lives.

We can participate in a new temple activity. We can reach out to a congregant in need. We can offer a Mazel Tov to a B'nai Mitzvah family. It can be as simple as offering a Shabbat Shalom to someone whose name you do not know.

Let us continue to be an example for the greater Jewish community.

Susan Amkraut

NEUBERGER MUSEUM OF ART HONORING MARCY KAHN



Beloved congregant Marcy Kahn will be honored for her many years of philanthropy by the Neuberger Museum of Art in Purchase on Saturday, November 7.

WELCOME ESME JAMES HECHT!



Mazel tov to Susan and Dick Hecht on the birth of their granddaughter!

Esme James Hecht was born October 10 to proud parents Liz Thorpe & David Hecht.

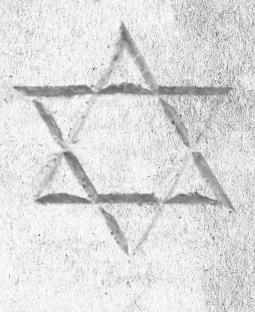


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SUNDAY, NOV. 1 AT 4PM CONGREGATION EMANU-EL, RYE, NY

MUSIC DIRECTION BY EUGENE SIROTKINE

TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR THIS EVENT: WWW.CONSERVATORYEVENTS.ORG



INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE WITH THE ICLC AT THE JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER IN HARRISON

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19 7:30PM

Join the Interfaith Congregational Laymen's Committee, Rabbi Goldsmith, Cantor Stone and other Harrison clergy to celebrate Thanksgiving together.

This year's theme is "Different Faiths' Traditions... Praying for Unity". This year, the JCCH in Harrison will be welcoming the synagogues and churches of Harrison as we join together in the spirit of Thanksgiving. JCCH is located at 130 Union Ave, Harrison.



Please bring canned or dry goods to be donated to the Harrison Food Pantry.

THE TEMPLE TONES: BE A PART OF OUR ADULT SINGING GROUP

We want YOU to participate in our enthusiastic adult singing group. The Temple Tones share a love of music and prayer as they help lead the singing at our three Sacred Stories Shabbat services.

SHABBAT & REHEARSALS DATES:

Rehearsals take place on Sundays prior to each service from 11:45AM-12:30PM in the Cantor's office.

SACRED STORIES SHABBAT FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13 Rehearsals on Sunday, October 25 and November 1

SACRED STORIES SHABBAT FRIDAY, MARCH 4 Rehearsals on Sunday, February 7 and 28

SACRED STORIES SHABBAT FRIDAY, JUNE 17 Rehearsals to be announced.

Please contact Cantor Stone for more information at mstone@congregationemanuel.org or 914-967-4382 x19.

CHANUKAH SHABBAT DINNER & SERVICE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11 DINNER 6:30PM SERVICE 7:30PM

B.Y.O.M. (BRING YOUR OWN MENORAH)
FOR OUR ANNUAL CHANUKAH CELEBRATION!

Our teachers, madrichim (teaching assistants) and office assistants will be honored.

Dinner: \$15 per child \$20 per adult

\$60 family maximum

RSVP for dinner to Jen at 914-967-4382 x12 or jberman@congregationemanuel.org.

All congregants are welcome!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

AYEAR OF SOCIAL ACTION 2015-16

Mitzvah Moment

November 15

Have A Heart Toy Drive

November 15 - December 1

Christmas Celebration at HOPE House

December 25

UJA Families Feeding Families

January 10 - February 7

DOROT Passover Package Delivery

April 10

Mitzvah Day

April 10

Brunch Run

May I

Interested in participating in any of these great efforts? Contact Leslie Mook at mook1@optonline.net.

HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE: A BIG THANK YOU!



We asked, you donated, and we delivered. 897lbs. of food was collected during our High Holy Day Food Drive to benefit the Food Bank For Westchester!

The Food Bank For Westchester provides a majority of the food that 230 active hunger-relief programs, including food pantries and soup kitchens, give to hungry people throughout Westchester.

HAVE A HEART TOY DRIVE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 -TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1



Help us bring a smile to the faces of children, teens and seniors in our area!

The Have a Heart Toy Drive, sponsored by Westchester Jewish Community Services, distributes gifts to those in need during the holiday season.

We will be collecting new, unwrapped gifts from November 15 - December 1. Should you prefer to make a monetary donation, please make your check payable to Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester and note "Social Action" in the memo line.

For more information, contact Leslie Mook at mook1@optonline.net or 914-441-7561.

MONTHLY MITZVAH OPPORTUNITIES

In the spirit of *tikkun olam*, the Social Action Committee will be offering monthly mitzvah opportunities for all of our congregants. Our goal is to help all congregants make meaningful connections with an organization or group, thereby allowing us to repair our world. Please come out to make our community a better place. For more information on these events, contact Social Action Chair Leslie Mook at mook1@optonline.net or 914-441-7561.





NOVEMBER

COMMUNITY DINNER AT ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN MAMARONECK

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14 5:00PM

Help prepare and serve a delicious community dinner at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Mamaroneck. All ages are welcome to participate.

St. Thomas Episcopal Church is located at 168 West Boston Post Road in Mamaroneck.

RSVP to Leslie at mook1@optonline.net or 914-441-7561.

DECEMBER

FOOD AND CLOTHING SORT AT NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR IN GREENWICH

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5 8:30AM - 12:30PM

Bring your family, bring your friends – let's sort! All ages are welcome to participate.

Neighbor to Neighbor is a nonprofit organization serving residents in need throughout the area. They improve lives by providing the exchange of food, clothing and basic living essentials in an atmosphere of kindness and respect.

Neighbor to Neighbor is located at 248 East Putnam Ave, Greenwich (http://www.ntngreenwich.org).

RSVP to Leslie at mook1@optonline.net or 914-441-7561.





KNITZVAH CORPS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12 & DECEMBER 17 5:30PM

Our Knitzvah Corps meets monthly to knit baby clothing, blankets, and chemo caps to donate to those in need. We enjoy an evening of knitting and



schmoozing in our cozy Berger Family Library while performing a lovely mitzvah. This is a group activity that enables us to experience a true sense of social action. All are welcome.

RSVP to Jane at 914-967-4382 x21 or jdubro@congregationemanuel.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ESL PROGRAM

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, AND WEDNESDAYS 9:30 - 11:00AM

Volunteers are needed to teach English as a Second Language to a very eager-to-learn immigrant community. No knowledge of Spanish or any other foreign language is necessary and you do not need a teaching background! Come one morning to observe other volunteers and see what a rewarding experience it is for both tutors and students.

You may volunteer any or all three mornings.

Classes are held at the Don Bosco Community Center, 22 Don Bosco Place, Port Chester, NY (near Costco).

For more information or to volunteer, email: Doreen Kushel at dkushel@icloud.com or Emily Cohen at emilydcohen@gmail.com.

DOROT WESTCHESTER VISITING OPPORTUNITY

There are lonely seniors waiting in neighboring towns for a friendly visitor. Can you visit them? Volunteers are matched with seniors for weekly home visits for a minimum of one year. DOROT social workers maintain a supportive presence for the duration of your relationship. To sign up contact Emily Cohen at 914-381-1260 or email emilydcohen@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEER AT THE ST. THOMAS CHURCH THRIFT SHOP

MONDAYS 10:30AM

Volunteers are needed to help with Thrift Shop sorting and set-up on an ongoing basis. The shop serves the local community with affordable clothing for men, women and children.

For more information, please contact Social Action Chair Leslie Mook at mook1@optonline.net or 914-441-7561. St. Thomas Church is located at 168 W. Boston Post Road, Mamaroneck.

BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CONGREGATION'S CARING COMMUNITY

There are so many ways to become involved at our temple, and the Caring Community is one way to offer your time, without worrying that you may over-commit. Our goal is to offer a meal of comfort in times of loss, recuperation or in celebration of a new family member. These dinners come from one congregant to another. We maintain an e-mail list of those who might be available when a need arises, and we reach out to those who have volunteered to be on the list. If you are not available, you don't reply; if you are, that is excellent.

We have no budget – you would make or purchase whatever you feel comfortable providing. We may come from many different towns, but we have a special community that you are an integral part of. If you are not already an active participant in the Caring Community, please consider joining our efforts to be there for our fellow members in a meaningful, tangible way.

You can read more about us on the Congregation Emanu-El website and we look forward to hearing from you if you would like to become more involved, or if you know of someone who needs our services.

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YOUTH AND PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

KOL BO: SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

"There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle."

- Albert Einstein



The word Chanukah comes from the root "chanuch" meaning "dedication".

On Chanukah we rededicate ourselves to the sacred partnership we each share with God. We celebrate Chanukah to remember and thank God for all of the "nissim" *miracles* that God did for our ancestors. Chanukah is a holiday about miracles. Whether it's the traditional tale of finding a flask of oil in the destroyed Temple, igniting it into a flame that lasts for not one, but eight nights or whether it's the story of the miraculous Maccabee fighting spirit, either way it's miraculous.

We see *miracles every* day and may not always recognize them as such. We witness a beautiful sunrise, the birth of a baby, and so many more.

The Chanukah miracle gives us the opportunity to open our hearts to help others.

This is a chance to take action and to help bring about miracles in your own life, for your loved ones and for the Jewish people. Our social action committee and youth group offer many opportunities to fulfill these mitzvot. This holiday reminds us of our sacred task to dedicate ourselves to helping others. What actions can we each take to help bring about miracles for others?

I hope this *Chanukah* will be a time that we each bring light to those in need.

Shalom,



HOST YOUR NEXT EVENT AT EMANU-EL



Has a loved one recently gotten engaged? Are you planning for a graduation? Does this year mark a special anniversary or birthday? Is there a new addition to your family?

With the Berger Family Library, the Kaye Family Room, and the Susan Schweitzer Family Learning

Center, we have beautiful and unique rooms to host an intimate party or grand affair.

Let Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester be a part of your special day!

For more information, contact Events Manager Christina Rosenfeld at 914-967-4382 x25 or crosenfeld@congregationemanuel.org.

ANYTHING EXCITING HAPPENING IN YOUR NECK OF THE WOODS?

We'd love to share your news in the bulletin!

If you have any exciting announcements from your life that you would like to appear in the bulletin, contact Abbie at 914-967-4382 x18 or alevitt@congregationemanuel.org.





FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES TO BIBLICAL TIMES WITH RABBI EMERITUS DANIEL S. WOLK

THURSDAYS, NOVEMBER 5, NOVEMBER 12, DECEMBER 3 12:00PM



Are times really that different? We will share thoughts on well-known biblical stories from a modern perspective. Sex in the City {Jerusalem}. Desperate Housewives {Sarah}. Trump and Moses. What makes a leader? Moses speaks with God. Jewish, Christian and Muslim Fundamentalists. JDate. Did Adam have a choice? The feminist voice. The art of negotiation. A nuclear Iran and Solomon's baby. And many more...

Fee per session (includes lunch): \$10 members/ \$15-non members. Please RSVP to Jane at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or 914-967-4382 x21.

WALK WITH THE RABBI

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20 & MONDAY, DECEMBER 14 9:00AM

What better way is there to discuss a Torah portion than walking at Playland with our community of energetic congregants and our fearless walker, Rabbi Goldsmith?

Meet at the Oakland Beach Lot, 94 Dearborn Avenue, Rye.



NEXT STEP

SUNDAYS, NOVEMBER 22 & DECEMBER 20 I I:00AM

A group of men is their 60's and 70's meeting to talk about anything but sports, politics and the market!

Next Step started with a concern about the transition from work to retired life and has developed into conversations about personal issues in our lives. The group is facilitated by congregant Paul Spindel (retired executive). Join us!



MAH JONGG

MONDAYS 7:00PM

Drop in for a game of Mah Jongg! Bring your foursome or come alone and join a pick-up game.

Refreshments served and friends are welcome. Contact Jane for a schedule of Mah Jongg games at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or 914-967-4382 x21.



WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP CHANUKAH POT LUCK DINNER

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10 6:30PM

Let us know what dish you would like to share with the group!

RSVP to Marcie Aiuvalasit at 914-967-4382 x15 or maiuvalasit@congregationemanuel.org.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

PERFORMANCE OF THE OFF-BROADWAY HIT A MODEST SUGGESTION

SATURDAY JANUARY 9 7:00PM



Special Presentation of the Off -Broadway hit just for us!

Four businessmen meet in an anonymous conference room over a pad of paper and a box of donuts to discuss the next item on their agenda: whether the world is a better place with or without the Jews. Comedy ensues. As the four yes-men weigh the pros and cons (and interview a couple of mensches along the way), *A Modest*

Suggestion brings up some pretty tough questions: Why do racism and anti-Semitism exist? What does it mean to be Jewish? How does racism turn into violence? And do Jews eat bacon?

Cost: Free for students and \$20/adults. Refreshments served.

RSVP to Jane at 967-4382 x 21 or jdubro@congregationemanuel.org

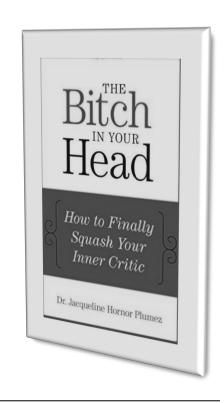
THE BITCH IN YOUR HEAD: HOW TO FINALLY SQUASH YOUR INNER CRITIC WITH PSYCHOLOGIST JACQUELINE HORNER PLUMEZ

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15 - 7:00PM

Dr. Plumez can help you banish the bitch. It identifies the different types of "bitches"—work, marriage, parenting, and so on—and provides effective tools and techniques to combat the forms of self-destruction described.

Do you ever find yourself thinking, how could you be so stupid, you look fat, or you're a horrible mother? Are you afraid people will find out you've fooled them into thinking you're competent? If you're guilty of expressing these types of discouraging messages, then you have a bitch in your head. This self-critical behavior can wreak havoc with your life—it can keep you from getting the love you want, the raise you deserve, or even a good night's sleep.

RSVP to Jane at 914-967-4382 x 21 or jdubro@congregationemanuel.org. Free and open to the public. Light refreshments served.





A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES:

CONGREGATION EMANU-EL OF WESTCHESTER'S

SUNDAY FILM SERIES

The series showcases films exploring the Jewish experience. This diverse selection of films includes dramatic features, riveting documentaries, and entertaining comedies.

THE ATTACK NOVEMBER 22 7:00PM

The Attack is a film about a man who wants to prove his wife's innocence. An award-winning Palestinian surgeon (Ali Suliman) is shocked to discover that his wife was the terrorist responsible for a suicide bombing that killed 17 people. Directed by Ziad Doueiri. Rated R.



FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED



FEBRUARY 7, 4:00PM THE BEST OF MEN

The inspiring story of Dr. Ludwig Guttmann, the man who founded the Paralympics. *Directed by Tim Whitby*. Rated PG.



APRIL 17, 4:00PM THE YEAR MY PARENTS WENT ON VACATION

A boy is left alone in a Jewish neighborhood in 1970, when both world cup soccor and dictatorship happen in Brazil. *Directed by Cao Hamburger. Subtitles. Rated PG*.



JUNE 5, 7:00PM THE OTHER SON

Complex repercussions face two families - one Israeli, one Palestinian -- after learning that their sons were accidentally switched at birth. *Directed by Lorraine Levy. Subtitles.* Rated PG13.



ENGAGING AGING PANEL DISCUSSION: HOW TO LET YOUR LOVED ONES KNOW YOUR "THIRD THIRD OF LIFE" HEALTH CARE WISHES

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER I 10:00AM

Have you discussed your health care or end of life choices with your spouse or children? Have you talked to your parents about their wishes? Do you find it challenging to begin these conversations?

Our panelists will include: Robin Freiman - Eldercare Attorney Miriam Zucker - Geriatric Care Manager Heidi Weiss - Licensed Social Worker and Professor at Sarah Lawrence College specializing in Health Advocacy.





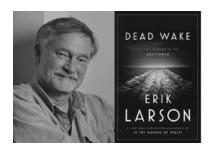


Please RSVP to Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15.

TEMPLE BOOK CLUB:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19 10:30AM

Dead Wake by Erik Larson



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17 10:30AM

Book to be announced



Rabbi Emeritus Daniel Wolk will be our guest facilitator in December.

Interested in speaking to someone about the Book Club? Contact Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15.

SINGLE MALT TORAH

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3 8:00PM



Men of the congregation gather in Rabbi Goldsmith's study for some Torah learning and refreshments.

Explore the wisdom of our tradition and enjoy some fine scotch. Bring a friend!

TORAH STUDY

Saturday morning. A time of rest. A time of study. A time for conversation. A time to discuss the Torah with Rabbi Goldsmith and other congregants. Our sessions include a brief worship service with an opportunity to recite Kaddish and celebrate the Sabbath. No need to sign up - just drop by!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 9:00AM TOL'DOT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 9:00AM VAYESHEV

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 9:00AM VAYIAGASH



CONGREGATION EMANU-EL OF WESTCHESTER

YOUNG FAMILIES COMMITTEE

CELEBRATE JEWISH LIFE WITH YOUR LITTLE ONES AT THESE 2015-16 HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS

Chanukah Celebration

Sunday, December 6, 10:00AM

Cuddle Up Shabbat

Friday, January 29, 5:30PM

Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 13, 11:30AM

Purim Celebration

Saturday, March 19, 9:30AM

...and see the Pre-K & K program schedule on page 22.

Mitzvah Day

Sunday, April 10, 9:30AM

Passover Celebration

Friday, April 15, 5:30PM

School's Out Carnival

Sunday, May 22, II:00AM

YOUNG FAMILIES CHANUKAH CELEBRATION LITTLE ONES, LATKES AND LIGHTS!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 10:00AM

Latkes, games, crafts, and music! After a fun, musical service we'll light the Chanukah candles in anticipation of the coming festival.

This parent and child program is free and open to the public. Children 6 months - 2nd grade, older siblings are welcome.

RSVP to Jane at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or call 914-967-4382 x21.

Please bring one unwrapped toy for the UJA Annual Gift Drive.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATOR'S MESSAGE

In the last week I have had two fascinating experiences to begin my Jewish New Year, 5776. I spent four hours buying a new cell phone. I will not go into the details but between my generational insecurities and the "competency" of Verizon employees it was an incredibly



frustrating process that made me question the benefits of "improving" technology. On a more positive note, on September 27th teens and parents participating in our opening Monday Night Program discussed "What Keeps You Up at Night" and the number one issue was the challenges of social media.

If Abraham had constantly been texting his friends, he might never have heard God's call...

Teens responded to the questions; What Makes Me Worry, Angry/Frustrated and What Uses Too Much of My Time, with: WIFI not working, doing well in school, relationships, time on Facebook, playing video games, time on Snap Chat and texting. When parents were asked about priorities for MNP programming that will address teen challenges their top choices were: detaching from devices, texting pressures, managing the social media that they control and their teens' inability to be alone without a device for even a few minutes.

What "messages" are we getting from our teens and their parents? My mother's constant refrain as I was growing up was "Everything in Moderation". I upgraded my cell phone, am on Facebook and check my email numerous times a day. I, like many

others in my Baby Boomer generation, have seen the benefits of finding old friends, communicating quickly via e-mail and being able to call 911 or anyone else immediately when necessary. Certainly access to information on the web and creating documents such as this message on Microsoft Word instead of a word processor or my old electric typewriter are marvelous advances and time savers. But how do we balance the benefits with the challenges?

A Jewish perspective: If Abraham had constantly been texting his friends, he might never have heard God's call and we all might be polytheists living outside of Bagdad (not far from his ancestral home of Ur)! Or if Moses had his cell phone with him, he could have let Aaron know what was taking so long on Mt. Sinai and maybe our people would not have needed to make the golden calf. We all have important needs and priorities that go beyond what social media can provide. We need to be able to detach, be alone with ourselves and spend quality time with those who are important to us. And we need the efficiencies, exposure to the world and immediate connections that social media provide.

My apology – I have no answers. I bought my new phone, had patience with the salesperson and with the help of temple friends am completely connected again! For the next two sessions our students in the MNP class will explore the choices, benefits and dilemmas that come with social media in the hopes of finding their own "moderation".

Meanwhile, if you want to discuss this further, you can reach me at maiuvalasit@congregationemanuel.org, marciena33@gmail.com, 914-967-4382 ext.15, or on my cell at 201-248-0247.

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FAMILY SHABBAT MUSIC IS ONLINE

Learn the music, sing along, and share with your family and friends!

The music from our Family Shabbat Services featuring Cantor Stone and our band is now available for you to listen to and even download on the temple's website at www.congregationemanuel.org/band.

SNAPSHOT: SHABBAT & RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

FAMILY SIMCHAT TORAH BBQ

On Friday, October 2 our hungry Simchat Torah dinner crowd was well fed by our brave chefs who barbequed even with a storm upon us!



SUKKAH MANIA

A fun morning during which we built community, decorated our Sukkah and enjoyed celebrating the holiday together.



JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF

Our young chefs in Junior Youth Group prepared a three course meal--appetizer, lunch, and dessert-- and had an amazing time as we kicked off our Junior Youth Group year under the kitchen guidance of Rabbinic Intern Foster.



Introduce your kindergarten & pre-school aged children to their Jewish heritage with Congregation Emanu-El.

Our Pre-K and Kindergarten classes are a wonderful introduction to the Religious School experience. Each class focuses on a Jewish holiday with a fun-filled program including cooking, music, storytelling and arts and crafts. Classes meet on Sunday mornings, and are open to the public. Bring friends!

2015-16 CLASS SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER I

SHABBAT

DECEMBER 13

CHANUKAH

JANUARY 24

TU B'SHEVAT

FEBRUARY 7

TZEDAKAH



MARCH 13

PURIM

APRIL 3

PASSOVER

MAY I

YOM HA'ATZMAUT/ ISRAEL

For more information about this program or to enroll your child, please contact Religious Educator Marcie Aiuvalasit at maiuvalasit@congregationemanuel.org or 914-967-4382 x15.

NOW IS THE TIME TO RSVP FOR THE NOVEMBER & DECEMBER PROGRAMS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

PRE-K & K PROGRAM: SHABBAT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 9:30 - 11:45AM

PRE-K & K PROGRAM: CELEBRATE CHANUKAH!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13 9:30 - 11:45AM

TEMPLE BOOK FAIR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER I 9:30AM - 12:00PM (KIDS) 10:00 - 10:30AM (ADULTS)

A great place to do your Chanukah shopping!

Jewish Braille Institute.

Proceeds from the book fair will be donated to the



11:00 - 11:45AM

HEROES BRUNCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

5th graders and their parents will share stories about family heroes at a special brunch.

L'DOR V'DOR 5TH GRADE

RSVP to Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 or maiuvalasit@congregationemanuel.org for information.



HARRY HISTORY'S **HISTORICAL ADVENTURES: FAMILY MITZVAH MOMENT** & FAMILY EDUCATION **MORNING**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Families spend the morning together worshipping, learning and performing mitzvot. Choose an adventure and register with Harry's assistant Marcie at maiuvalasit@congregationemanuel.org.

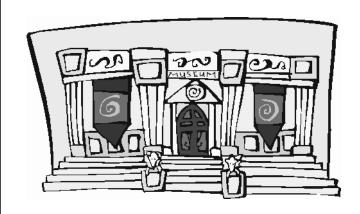




MARK YOUR CALENDAR: 3RD & 4TH GRADE GENESIS MUSEUM FAMILY EDUCATION MORNING

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10 9:30 - 11:45AM

Tour the 3rd and 4th grade Genesis Museum and experience what our Biblical ancestors taught us.



MNP SPECIAL EVENT: BUDDIES NOT BULLIES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16 7:00 - 8:45PM

MNP and Hineini students will participate in a 90-minute interactive anti-bullying workshop lead by J-teen Leadership high school students who have been specially trained by Center Lane of WJCS.



ester Jewish Community Services





This program is a result of a collaborative effort of four Westchester Jewish community organizations: J-teen Leadership, Center Lane of WJCS, Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS) and Mosaic of Westchester.

RSVP to Jane at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or 914-967-4382 x21.

2015-16 HINEINI SCHEDULE

November 1:	Kristallnacht Walk	February 7:	Kid's Kloset
November 8:	Tikkun Middot/Being an Upstander*	February 14/21:	No Class
November 15:	No Class	February 28:	Preparation for Human Rights
November 16:	MNP		Discussion with Dr. Avital
November 22:	Family Trees*	March 6:	Dr. Avital/Human Rights*
November 29:	No Class	March 13:	Purim Carnival*
December 6:	Lower East Side Trip	March 20/27:	No Class
December 13:	Maccabea Games*	April 3:	No Class
December 20:	Preparation for a Modest Suggestion	April 4:	MNP/Afya
December 27:	No Class	April 10:	Mitzvah Day/DOROT
January 3:	No Class	April 17:	Brunch Run Preparation &
January 9:	A Modest Suggestion		Interfaith Council on Homelessness and Housing
January 10:	Tzedakah and Islam/Judaism*	April 24:	No Class
January 17:	No Class	May 1:	Brunch Run
January 24:	Friendship Circle Tu B'Shevat Party*	May 8:	Car Wash*
January 31:	No Class	May 13:	Hineini Family Service*
February 1:	Monday Night Program	May 15:	Soup Bowl
		May 22:	School's Out Carnival *

^{*} These events will take place at the temple.

HINEINI FAMILY TRIP TO THE LOWER EAST SIDE



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 8:30AM - I:00PM



Hineini families enjoy a tour of the Tenement Museum and a walking tour led by Jane Dubro, culminating in a lunch at Katz's Deli.

Cost: \$20 per family.

RSVP to Marcie at 914-967-4382 x15 or maiuvalasit@congregationemanuel.org.



YOUTH GROUP ICE SKATING AT PLAYLAND



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19 7:00PM

Let's Skate! Friends welcome.

The rink is located at 100 Playland Parkway, Rye Cost: \$15 per person, bring extra money for snacks.

RSVP to Jane at jdubro@congregationemanuel.org or 914-967-4382 x 21.



BIRTHRIGHT ISRAEL: TRAVEL TO ISRAEL WITH URJ KESHER







Open to Jewish young adults, ages 18-26 who have never been to Israel on a peer program, this program offers an exceptional opportunity to experience Israel's land, culture, and people on a more intimate and meaningful level. The 10-day trip includes round-trip airfare plus ten days of touring in Israel, all site entrance fees, transportation, local health insurance, accommodations, and two meals a day.

The URJ Kesher experience embraces the values of Reform Judaism. Learn more at www.gokesher.org and contact Rabbi Goldsmith for priority status at hgoldsmith@congregationemanuel.org or 914-967-4382 x13.

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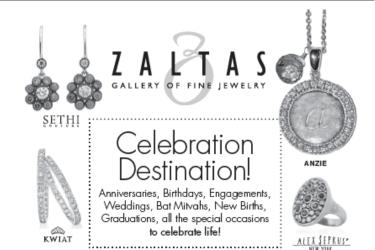
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March 6, 4:00pm American String Quartet

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CALENDAR: **NOVEMBER 2015**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:30 - 11:45AM Religious School 9:30 - 11:45AM Pre-K & K Shabbat 9:30 - 11:45AM Temple Book Fair 10:00AM Engaging Aging Panel 10:45AM Chai Mitzvah	2 7:15 - 8:45PM Monday Night Program No Confirmation	3 No Hebrew School	4	5 12:00PM NY Times to Biblical Times with Rabbi Wolk	6:30PM Lay Led Early Shabbat Service	7
8 9:30 - 11:45AM Religious School	9 7:15 - 8:45PM Monday Night Program 7:15 - 8:45PM Confirmation	I 0 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School 7:30PM Board Meeting	11	I 2 I 2:00PM NY Times to Biblical Times with Rabbi Wolk 5:30PM Knitzvah Corps	7:30PM Sacred Stories Shabbat with Chris Berman	9:00AM Torah Study: Tol'dot 5:00PM Monthly Mitzvah Event: Community Dinner at St. Thomas Episcopal Church 5:00PM Charlie Canell's Bar Mitzvah Ceremony
9:30 - 11:45AM Religious School Family Education & Mitzvah Moment 4:00PM Westchester Chamber Music Society Have A Heart Toy Drive Begins	16 7:15 - 8:45PM Monday Night Program (with Hineini) 7:15 - 8:45PM Confirmation	17 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School	18	I 9 10:30AM Temple Book Club 7:30PM ICLC Thanksgiving Service @JCCH	9:00AM Walk with the Rabbi 8:00PM Shabbat Service	2 I 5:00PM Victoria Rosenstock's Bat Mitzvah Ceremony
9:30 - 11:45AM Religious School 10:45 Chai Mitzvah 11:00AM L'Dor V'Dor 5th Grade Heroes Brunch 11:00AM Next Step 7:00PM Sunday Film Series: The Attack	No Confirmation 7:15 - 8:45PM Monday Night Program	24 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School	25	26 Office Closed for Thanksgiving	27 Office Closed for Thanksgiving 6:30PM Lay Led Early Shabbat Service	28
29	30 7:15 - 8:45PM Monday Night Program 7:15 - 8:45PM Confirmation					

CALENDAR: **DECEMBER 2015**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Have A Heart Toy Drive Ends 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School	2	3 I2:00PM NY Times to Biblical Times with Rabbi Wolk 8:00PM Single Malt Torah	4 L'Taken Social Justice Seminar for 9th Graders 7:30PM Pride Shabbat Service	L'Taken Social Justice Seminar for 9th Graders 8:30AM - 12:30PM Monthly Mitzvah Event: Neighbor To Neighbor Food and Clothing Sort 9:00AM Torah Study: Vayeishev 5:00PM Charlie Rosenblum's Bar Mitzvah Ceremony
6 L'Taken Social Justice Seminar for 9th Graders 9:30 - 11:45AM Religious School 10:00AM YFC Chanukah Celebration 10:45AM Chai Mitzvah Chanukah: First Candle	7 7:15 - 8:45PM Monday Night Program 7:15 - 8:45PM Confirmation	8 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School	9	10 6:30PM Women's Study Group Chanukah Dinner	6:30PM Shabbat Dinner 7:30PM Chanukah Shabbat Service	12
9:30 - 11:45AM Religious School & Pre-K & Kindergarten: Chanukah Program 4:00PM Westchester Chamber Music Society Chanukah: Last Candle	9:00AM 9:00AM Walk with the Rabbi 7:15 - 8:45PM Monday Night Program 7:15 - 8:45PM Confirmation	I 5 3:50 - 5:45PM Hebrew School 7:00PM Author Jacqueline Horner Plumez 7:30PM Board Meeting	16	I 7 10:30AM Temple Book Club 5:30PM Knitzvah Corps	I 8 6:00PM Pre-Neg 6:30PM Early Shabbat Service	9:00AM Torah Study: Vayiagash 7:00PM Youth Group: Ice Skating
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27 No Religious School	28 No Monday Night Program No Confirmation	29 No Hebrew School	30	3 I Office Closed		



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NOVEMBER - DECEMBER SHABBAT SERVICES

November 6 Lay Led Early Shabbat Service

> 6:30 **Service**

November 13 Sacred Stories Shabbat

with ESPN Commentator

Chris Berman

7:30 Service 🎝 🌅



November 20 Shabbat Service

8:00 **Service**

November 27 Lay Led Early Service

6:30 **Service**

December 4 **Pride Shabbat Welcoming**

the LGBTQ Community

7:30 Service 🎝 💹

December 11 Family Service: Chanukah 1

> **Dinner** 6:30

7:30 **Service**

December 18 Early Service

6:00 Pre-Neg

6:30 **Service**

December 25 Lay Led Early Service

6:30 **Service**

🎜 Band



Handsfree/Prayers projected



PRIDE SHABBAT WELCOMING THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4 7:30PM SFRVICE

We are excited to partner with Mosaic of Westchester for this music-filled Shabbat service. Members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) community, their families, friends and allies are especially invited to join with our congregation in prayer, song, and learning.

As we live out our commitment to creating an open, welcoming space for all, including LGBTQ Jews of all ages and backgrounds, we will fulfill Isaiah's prophecy:

"My house shall be a house of prayer for all peoples."

