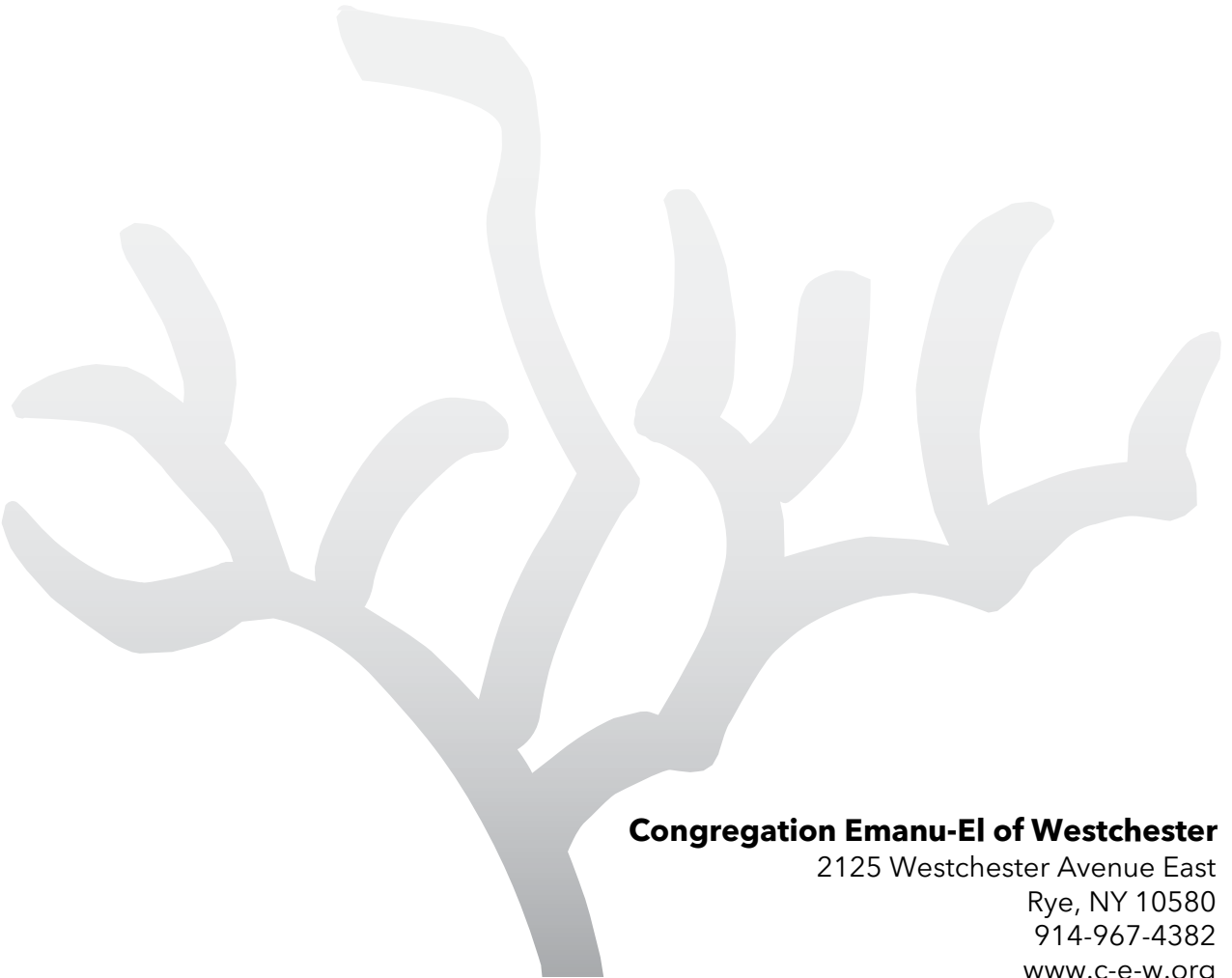




# 2022-23/5783

# JEWISH JOURNEYS

**A Catalog of Services, Programs & Events**



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# RABBI'S MESSAGE

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September 2022  
Elul 5782

Welcome to Jewish Journeys 5783! It is so exciting to present this year's services, programs, Religious School classes, Beit Midrash, lectures, art gallery openings, social action projects and special events. As you can see, we have a year chock-full of deeply engaging and meaningful ways to connect as a congregation.

Our theme this year is *Legacy*. Being Jewish means being a part of something greater than ourselves, being a part of a legacy that we inherit from those who came before us and pass on to future generations. I have always been fascinated by the idea that the Jewish people have been around for over 3,000 years. What are the secrets of the Jewish legacy that have sustained us for three millennia? This year we hope to scratch the surface of this question.

We'll consider legacy through a number of different lenses. Of course we will examine Jewish legacy: those traditions that we inherit and pass on, the great thinkers of the Jewish people, sacred texts and holidays. We will also look at personal legacy: how do we impact our loved ones, our community and our world. In addition to looking forward, we'll also look back to think about the personal legacies that we carry from those who came before us. Finally, we will think about our environmental legacy. Our grandchildren will judge us for the world we leave them, how can we make it cleaner, healthier, and cooler?

Beyond our theme, our programs, services, and education will delve into the fullness of Jewish life, history, and culture.

So, read on, take out your calendar, mark down some dates, and get ready for another great year at Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester!

L'Shalom,



Rabbi Howard J. Goldsmith

# WELCOME & DIRECTORY

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## A Community Dedicated to Celebrating Modern Jewish Life

This is a very special congregation. Congregants of all backgrounds feel connected and inspired by our services, our Religious School, and our myriad programs. Our clergy and staff dedicate themselves to creating a robust suite of engaging programs, stimulating classes, and uplifting prayer experiences so that all can express their Jewish identity in the most personally meaningful ways. Rather than seeking conformity, we build community by honoring the uniqueness of each individual. Each facet of our community adds a new shade of light and blessing to our congregation. With over 400 services, classes, programs, social action opportunities, youth events, speakers, and more, there is something for everyone. And, more important than any program and activity, there is the warm sense of community that defines our congregation.

As a congregation committed to meeting you where you are on your Jewish Journey, we are determined to make it easy for you to identify the points of connection that most appeal to you; this way you can bring holiness, community, and wisdom to your own life while adding strength to our congregation.

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We live in safety and security, with an abundance unimaginable for past generations. Donating our time and resources to worthy causes shows our gratitude for the plenty we enjoy. These acts of tikkun olam (repairing our world) allow us to express our Jewish identity in a fulfilling, important way.

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The center of our congregation is our sense of community. We celebrate together, comfort each other, forge friendships, and make connections - that is what we can uniquely offer as a synagogue. Jewish study leads to vitality that keeps our minds sharp and our souls searching. Rather than relativism, Judaism confronts us with issues that help to clarify our place in history and our place in our world. Classes, lectures, text study, book clubs, Single Malt Torah, and the Women's Study Group; see what you can discover.

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Please check our website and Emanumail for updates and changes to our program scheduling. Unless otherwise noted, the link to livestream programs and services is [tinyurl.com/cewconnect](https://tinyurl.com/cewconnect). Worship services may also be viewed on our Facebook page and website.

# REFLECT & ELEVATE: WORSHIP & SERVICES

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## Friday Night Worship Services

"More than the Jews have kept Shabbat, Shabbat has kept the Jews." - *Ahad Ha'am*

Together we explore the many facets of Jewish worship by approaching our tradition from a variety of perspectives. Each one offers another way to understand the story of our people.

**Shabbat Service Key:** 🎵 Band    🖥️ Prayers Projected    😊 Family Friendly

September 9 🎵🖥️😊

6:00pm BBQ Shabbat Dinner  
& Gallery Opening

7:00pm Shabbat Service

September 16

7:00pm Gallery Opening Pre-Neg

7:30pm Shabbat Service

September 23

6:00pm Pre-Neg

6:30pm Early Shabbat Service

September 30

7:30pm Shabbat Shuva

October 7

6:00pm Early Zoom Shabbat Service

October 14 🎵🖥️😊

6:00pm Shabbat Dinner

8:00pm Simchat Torah Shabbat  
& Consecration

October 21

7:30pm Shabbat Service

October 28

7:30pm Shabbat Service

November 4

6:00pm Pre-Neg

6:30pm Early Shabbat Service

November 11 🎵🖥️

7:30pm Sacred Stories Shabbat Service

November 18 🎵🖥️😊

6:00pm Shabbat Dinner

7:00pm Family Learning Samba Shabbat

November 25

6:00pm Lay Led Zoom Shabbat Service

December 2

7:30pm Shabbat Service

December 9 🎵🖥️😊

7:00pm Gallery Opening

7:30pm Pop Shabbat Service

December 16 🎵🖥️😊

6:00pm Shabbat Dinner

7:00pm Chanukah Shabbat

December 23

6:00pm Lay Led Zoom Shabbat Service

December 30

6:00pm Lay Led Zoom Shabbat Service

January 6

7:30pm Shabbat Service

January 13 🎵🖥️

7:30pm Social Justice Shabbat

January 20

6:00pm Pre-Neg

6:30pm Early Shabbat Service

January 27

7:30pm Shabbat Service

# REFLECT & ELEVATE: WORSHIP & SERVICES

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## Friday Night Worship Services (cont.)

February 3 🎵📺😊

6:00pm Shabbat Dinner

7:00pm Family Learning Shabbat

February 10

7:30pm Union Prayer Book Shabbat Service

February 17

6:00pm Early Zoom Shabbat Service

February 24

6:00pm Lay Led Zoom Shabbat Service

March 3 🎵📺😊

7:15pm Purim Cocktails & Pre-Neg

7:30pm Purim Shabbat Service

March 10 🎵📺😊

7:30pm Shabbat Service Honoring  
Hineini Students and their Families

March 17 🎵📺

7:00pm Gallery Opening

7:30pm Sacred Stories Shabbat Service

March 24

6:00pm Pre-Neg

6:30pm Early Shabbat Service

March 31

6:00pm Lay Led Zoom Shabbat Service

April 7

6:00pm Lay Led Zoom Shabbat Service

April 14 🎵

7:30pm Mimouna Shabbat: A Moroccan  
Culinary Celebration

April 21 🎵📺😊

7:30pm Teen Shabbat Service Honoring  
our Graduating Seniors

April 28

6:00pm Yom Ha'Atzmaut Shabbat Service

May 5

7:30pm Friedman Lecture on Peace and  
Understanding

May 12 🎵📺😊

5:30pm Shabbat Pizza Truck Dinner  
& Social Action Projects

6:30pm Mitzvah Shabbat Service

May 19 🎵😊

7:30pm Confirmation Shabbat Service

May 26

6:00pm Lay Led Zoom Shabbat Service

June 2

6:00pm Outdoor Shabbat Service

June 9 🎵📺

6:00pm Congregant Intergenerational Art Show

6:30pm Annual Meeting

7:00pm Sacred Stories Shabbat

June 16

6:00pm Outdoor Shabbat Service

# REFLECT & ELEVATE: WORSHIP & SERVICES

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## Holiday Worship & Celebrations

“Lovingly, God, You have given us the gift of festivals for joy and holy days for happiness...”  
- *From the Festival Kiddush*

We join together to observe and celebrate the holy days and festivals that allow us to relive the story of our people. [Note: We celebrate many holidays on the nearest Friday evening.]

Saturday, September 17

7:00pm Community Selichot Service  
at Westchester Reform Temple

Sunday, September 25

7:30pm Erev Rosh Hashanah Service

Monday, September 26

10:00am Rosh Hashanah Morning Service  
12:00pm Rosh Hashanah Reception  
1:45pm Rosh Hashanah Youth Service  
3:00pm Rosh Hashanah Young Families Service  
& Celebration

Tuesday, September 27

10:15am Rosh Hashanah Nature Walk  
11:00am Tashlich

Friday, September 30

7:30pm Shabbat Shuva

Tuesday, October 4

6:00pm Kol Nidre Early Service  
8:30pm Kol Nidre Late Service

Wednesday, October 5

10:00am Yom Kippur Morning Service  
1:15pm Yom Kippur Youth Service  
2:15pm Yom Kippur Young Families Service  
3:00pm Yom Kippur Afternoon Service  
3:30pm Yom Kippur Healing Service  
of Music and Meditations  
4:00pm Yom Kippur Yizkor Service  
4:45pm Yom Kippur Concluding Service  
5:30pm Break Fast

Friday, October 14

7:00pm Simchat Torah & Consecration

Saturday, October 15

12:00pm Women's Study Group  
Sukkot Program & Lunch

Monday, October 17

7:30am Sh'mini Atzeret Yizkor Service

Thursday, November 17

7:30pm ICLC Thanksgiving Service

Friday, December 16

6:00pm Shabbat Dinner  
7:00pm Chanukah Shabbat Service

Sunday, December 18

10:45am Young Families  
Chanukah Celebration

Tuesday, December 20

7:30pm Women's Study Group  
Chanukah Gathering

Friday, March 3

7:30pm Purim Shabbat

Sunday, March 5

10:45am Young Families Purim Celebration  
11:30am Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 26

10:45am Young Families Passover Celebration

Tuesday, March 28

7:30pm Women's Study Group  
Passover Gathering

Thursday, April 6

9:00am Passover Morning Service

Wednesday, April 12

7:30am Passover Yizkor Service

Friday, May 26

7:30am Shavuot Yizkor Service



# REFLECT & ELEVATE: WORSHIP & SERVICES

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## Holiday Worship & Celebrations (cont.)

### Family Learning Shabbat

Experience the magic of Shabbat with your family! Join us for a vibrant service filled with music and learning as we unwind from the busy week and welcome Shabbat. Our family learning experiences are a core component of Jewish education at Congregation Emanu-El, and will take place on Friday evenings to bring together all our students have learned as we celebrate Shabbat with family and friends.

Family Learning Samba Shabbat & Dinner  
Friday, November 18  
6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Service

Mitzvah Shabbat & Pizza Truck Dinner  
Friday, May 12, 5:30pm

Family Learning Shabbat & Dinner  
Friday, February 3  
6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Service

### Young Families Holiday Celebrations

*"From generation to generation..." - From the morning liturgy*

We are committed to helping young families begin their Jewish journeys! Bring your little ones - children, nieces, nephews, grandchildren - to discover the joy of Jewish life through holiday celebrations throughout the year. Our Young Families events are overflowing with food, song, movement, crafts, stories, community, and fun! All Young Families Committee events are free and open to the community and are appropriate for ages 6 months through 2nd grade. Many of these celebrations are preceded by our drop-off Kindergarten and Pre-K program, see page 18. To learn more, contact Director of Education, Jackie Kurland.

Rosh Hashanah Service & Celebration  
Monday, September 26, 3:00pm

Purim Celebration  
Sunday, March 5, 10:45am

Shabbat Celebration  
Sunday, November 20, 10:45am

Passover Celebration  
Sunday, March 26, 10:45am

Chanukah Celebration  
Sunday, December 18, 10:45am

Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebration  
Sunday, April 23, 10:45am

Tu Bishvat Celebration  
Sunday, February 5, 10:45am

# REFLECT & ELEVATE: WORSHIP & SERVICES

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## Holiday Worship & Celebrations (cont.)

### B'nei Mitzvah

The b'nei mitzvah ceremony marks the beginning of a child's journey to adulthood with prayer, Torah, and celebration. We honor the young people in our congregation who will become b'nei mitzvah this year.

Zachary Schwartz  
Saturday, September 10

Natalie Modica  
Saturday, December 17

Ruby Deutsch  
Saturday, May 6

David Rukin  
Saturday, September 17

Brooke Levine  
Saturday, January 28

Madison Frankel  
Saturday, May 13

Lexi Goldstein  
Saturday, September 24

Dylan Gold & Chase Kraut  
Saturday, February 4

Jake Nachman  
Thursday, May 25

Blake Goldstein  
Saturday, October 1

Emma Balik-Klein  
Saturday, February 11

Bodin Geller  
Thursday, May 25

Olivia Hodes  
Saturday, October 15

Nathan Koslow  
Saturday, April 15

Lacey Esterow  
Saturday, June 3

Ryan Brown  
Saturday, October 22

Emma Ashley  
Saturday, April 22

Olivia Ifrah  
Saturday, June 10

Carly & Emme Hodes  
Saturday, December 3

### Yizkor Memorial Service

"May God remember forever my loved ones who have gone to their eternal rest."  
- *From the Prayer of Remembrance*

Four times a year, we come together as a community to remember our loved ones who have passed away. They live on through our memories bringing blessing to us all. [Note: the Sukkot/ Sh'mini Atzeret, Passover, and Shavuot Yizkor services last half an hour.]

Yom Kippur Yizkor Service  
Wednesday, October 5, 4:00pm

Sh'mini Atzeret Yizkor Service  
Monday, October 17, 7:30am

Passover Yizkor Service  
Wednesday, April 12, 7:30am

Shavuot Yizkor Service  
Friday, May 26, 7:30am

# STEP-UP & GIVE-BACK: SOCIAL ACTION & SOCIAL JUSTICE

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## Social Action Drives

We are committed to tikkun olam, repairing our world. Help make our community a better place and participate in the important drives scheduled throughout the year. For more information, contact Abbie Levitt at [alevitt@c-e-w.org](mailto:alevitt@c-e-w.org) or Hedy Cardozo at [hedozo@aol.com](mailto:hedoza@aol.com).

September	Food Drive for Feeding Westchester
October	Coat Drive for Children's Hope Chest
November	Have A Heart Gift Drive for WJCS
December	Afya Collection
January	914Cares Collection
February	Art Supply Drive for Pleasantville Cottage School
March	Pasta Collection for Local Food Pantry
April	Midnight Run/Brunch Run Collection
May	Pajama & Book Collection for 914Cares
June	Gently Used Backpack Drive for Midnight Run

## Committees in Community: A Series of Evenings to Move Emanu-El Forward

A whole book of the Torah is dedicated to the work of the Levites, the people who managed the details, logistics, set-up, and finances of the ancient Temple in Jerusalem. That so much of our most sacred book is about the Levites shows that it is, in fact, holiness that is "in the details". Those volunteers who serve as committee members and chairs are the Levites of today. And just as the Levitical work was holy in ancient time, so too is the work of Emanu-El's dedicated volunteers. To help make our committees as effective as possible and to help build an even stronger sense of community and purpose, committees will meet on the same nights over the course of the coming year. We call these evenings Committees in Community.

Get Involved! We have a number of committees that would welcome your participation, input, and support. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Abbie Levitt at [alevitt@c-e-w.org](mailto:alevitt@c-e-w.org) or 914-967-4382 x1018.

Thursday, October 20, 6:30pm  
Tuesday, December 1, 6:30pm

Thursday, February 9, 6:30pm  
Thursday, April 20, 6:30pm

# **STEP-UP & GIVE-BACK: SOCIAL ACTION & SOCIAL JUSTICE**

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## **Social Action Volunteering Opportunities**

*"If I am for myself alone, what am I?" - Hillel*

The story of the Jewish people is the story of tikkun olam, our ageless efforts to repair our world. Help make our community a better place. Our award-winning Social Action Committee runs projects throughout the year that further this mission. One day or every week...anything you do makes a big difference!

### **Afya Foundation**

The Afya Foundation collects unused medical supplies and equipment from throughout the New York metro area and distributes items to under resourced health systems all over the globe to improve access to healthcare and the quality of care delivered. For more information, contact Jane Dubro at [jdubro@c-e-w.org](mailto:jdubro@c-e-w.org).

### **914Cares**

We continue our partnership with 914Cares in their effort to ensure Westchester residents in need are cared for by collaborating, supporting and providing resources to local organizations, educating the community about poverty and encouraging generosity through programs that provide clothing, items for families with newborns, personal care items, and literacy support. For more information, contact Hedy Cardozo at [hedozo@aol.com](mailto:hedozo@aol.com).

### **Kosher Food Pantry in New Rochelle**

HOPE Community Services is looking for volunteers to help pack, hand out or deliver Kosher food. These volunteer opportunities are one-time only so there is no long-term commitment. For more information, contact Hedy Cardozo at [hedozo@aol.com](mailto:hedozo@aol.com).

### **Teach English as a Second Language**

With all the opportunities to learn, we also take time to teach at the Don Bosco Community Center in Port Chester. Volunteers from our congregation teach English as a Second Language to the immigrant community. For more information or to volunteer contact Jaime Morris at [jaime-morris@hotmail.com](mailto:jaime-morris@hotmail.com).

## **Intergenerational Social Action Opportunities**

We live in turbulent times. Rather than sit and worry, we can go out in our community and counter the turbulence with acts of tikkun olam, acts that make our world a better place. When taken together with similar acts from people across the nation, we know we are doing our part to make the whole country a better, more welcoming, more compassionate place. As opportunities to participate in intergenerational programs are made available, we will share them with the congregation in Emanumail and the bulletin.

# PROGRAMMING: LEARNING & COMING TOGETHER

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## Beit Midrash

Every time we study as Jews, we consider the question of Jewish legacy. Torah, of course, is our greatest legacy of all. Looking at its plain meaning fills us with inspiration. But Jews have always gone deeper, asked broader questions, and delved into the details for answers. This year in Beit Midrash we will consider the legacies of the scholars, commentators, interpreters, and great rabbis who have shaped our understanding of sacred texts and, in so doing, have left their marks on Jewish life to this day. From Rashi to Isaac Mayer Wise and King David to Maimonides, we'll consider how great thinkers draw us closer to our tradition and closer to God. Come every session or just drop in - all are welcome!

Saturday, September 17, 9:00am

Saturday, October 22, 9:00am

Sunday, October 30, 10:30am

Saturday, November 12, 9:00am

Saturday, December 3, 9:00am

Sunday, December 11, 10:30am

Sunday, January 8, 9:30am

Saturday, January 28, 9:00am

Saturday, February 11, 9:00am

Saturday, March 4, 9:00am

Sunday, March 12, 10:30am

Sunday, March 26, 10:15am

Saturday, April 15, 9:00am

Saturday, May 13, 9:00am

Saturday, June 10, 9:00am

## Reflections Workshop with Cantor Stone

In this workshop, we will find out how our daily life experiences, observations, and anecdotes can illuminate and give deeper meaning to our prayers. Through writing on various topics, learning about the themes of prayers, and sharing as a group, we will see prayer in a new light and strengthen connections to one another and our tradition.

Monday, October 24, 12:00pm

Monday, May 8, 12:00pm

Monday, February 6, 12:00pm

## Single Malt Torah

"When people learn together God's presence dwells among them." - The Talmud

Men of the congregation join together for fine scotch and Torah learning with Rabbi Goldsmith. Topics range from contemporary questions of Jewish society to issues in Israel to exploration of our sacred texts. Whatever the topic, we enjoy time together with other men of the congregation.

Thursday, September 8, 8:00pm

Thursday, March 9, 8:00pm

Thursday, November 3, 8:00pm

Thursday, March 30, 8:00pm

Thursday, January 19, 8:00pm

Thursday, May 18, 8:00pm

# **PROGRAMMING: LEARNING & COMING TOGETHER**

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## **Women's Study Group**

"Then Miriam the prophetess, Aaron's sister, took a timbrel in her hand, and all the women went out after her in dance with timbrels." - *Exodus 15:20*

The women of our congregation add to Miriam's spirit of joy and a deep commitment to Torah learning, creating an important space for learning, community, and prayer.

Sukkot Program and Lunch  
Saturday, October 15, 12:00pm

Annual Retreat  
Friday, January 20 - Saturday, January 21

Chanukah Gathering  
Tuesday, December 20, 7:30pm

Passover Gathering  
Tuesday, March 28, 7:30pm

## **Book Club and Books & Bites**

We are the people of the book because we love the written word, stories, and all that we can learn. Book titles and Books & Bites dates to be released in the fall.

Thursday, September 15, 11:30am

Thursday, February 16, 11:30am

Thursday, October 20, 11:30am

Thursday, March 16, 11:30am

Thursday, November 10, 11:30am

Thursday, April 20, 11:30am

Thursday, December 15, 11:30am

Thursday, May 18, 11:30am

Thursday, January 19, 11:30am

Thursday, June 15, 11:30am

## **Jewish Mindfulness – The Way of Mussar: Mind, Body and Spirit**

### **Sleep Series**

Congregant Jane Meryll will lead a three part series on Zoom where we will practice mindfulness, mindful breathing, visualization, and body scans to promote restful sleep.

Wednesday, November 2, Time TBD

Wednesday, November 16, Time TBD

Wednesday, November 9, Time TBD

### **Mindful Movement for Health and Relaxation: The Physical Embodiment of Midot**

This is a gentle class combining exercises from yoga, qigong, mindfulness, vocal breathing, the Alexander Technique, and more, led by congregant Jane Meryll.

Monday, December 5, 11:00am

# **PROGRAMMING: LEARNING & COMING TOGETHER**

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## **Jaunts with Jane**

People from all over the world visit the New York area for its vital Jewish culture and history. We will take advantage of these treasures on day-trips with our Director of Programming and Engagement, Jane Dubro. Get ready to immerse in the legacy of Jewish New York and to consider our Jewish present.

## **Garment Center Walking Tour**

**Thursday, November 17, 10:00am**

New York City tour guide Mike Kaback gives an overview of the city's garment district - during the two hour long walking tour. The Garment Center Walk covers the Fashion District, from its beginnings in the sweatshops of the Lower East Side to its evolution and survival in the modern world of electronics. Hear about Calvin Klein and Ralph Lifshitz on the Fashion Walk of Fame, visit neighborhood works of art, a factory and showroom, and a stop at Mood Fabrics.

## **New York Historical Society: "I'll Have What She's Having" - The Jewish Deli!**

**Thursday, December 8, 11:00am**

More than a place to get a meal, the Jewish deli is a community forged in food. This exhibit explores how Jewish immigrants, mostly from Central and Eastern Europe, imported and adapted traditions to create a uniquely American restaurant. Get a taste of deli history through neon signs, menus, advertisements, uniforms, photographs, and film and TV clips.

## **Untermeyer Gardens Conservancy in Yonkers**

**Monday, May 15, 12:00pm**

The tour highlights the history of the estate from its origin in 1862, through each of its three owners, emphasizing its world famous heyday in the Untermeyer years, its dramatic decline after 1940, and the remarkable restoration efforts that have been ongoing from 2010 to the present day. There will be an emphasis on Samuel Untermeyer, one of the most prominent members of the German-Jewish elite, his wife, and their place in early 20th century history as well as discussion of the remarkable architecture of the gardens. We have a special connection with these gardens as Samuel Untermeyer is the great grandfather of Ann Carmel, wife of our Rabbi Emeritus, Dan Wolk.

# PROGRAMMING: LEARNING & COMING TOGETHER

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## Next Step

This group of men meet to discuss personal issues that they face in retirement. The bonds of friendship and a deep sense of trust have allowed them to continue for many years. Sessions are led by congregant Paul Spindel.

Sunday, September 18, 11:00am

Sunday, February 12, 11:00am

Sunday, October 2, 11:00am

Sunday, March 12, 11:00am

Sunday, November 6, 11:00am

Sunday, April 16, 11:00am

Sunday, December 11, 11:00am

Sunday, May 7, 11:00am

Sunday, January 8, 11:00am

## Jared Dubro Legacy Fund Bingo & Game Nights

Filled with games and amazing prizes, these fun nights support the Jared Dubro Legacy Fund which was established by the Dubro family to fund programs, initiatives, and experiences that bring the light of Jared's spirit into our world.

Bingo

Thursday, September 22, 7:00pm

Game Night

Monday, May 22, 7:00pm

Bingo

Thursday, March 23, 7:00pm

## Damson Family Gallery Openings

"The artist must penetrate into the world, feel the fate of human beings, of peoples, with real love. There is no art for art's sake. One must be interested in the entire realm of life."

- *Marc Chagall*

The walls of our synagogue are graced by art that adds beauty and vitality to our spiritual home. We enjoy the beginning of each exhibit with a gallery opening for our congregants and the community.

Friday, September 16, 7:00pm

Paula Blumenfeld

Friday, March 17, 7:00pm

Terry Kessler Schwarz

Friday, December 9, 7:00pm

Diane Cherr

Friday, June 9, 6:00pm

Congregant Intergenerational Art Show



# **PROGRAMMING: LEARNING & COMING TOGETHER**

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## **Writing an Ethical Will**

Everyone knows the importance of preparing a last will and testament, a document outlining how one's assets are to be divided upon death. But what about nonmaterial assets? How can the next generation inherit values, beliefs, life lessons, hopes, dreams, love, and forgiveness? For more than 3,000 years Jews have written ethical wills, documents that convey the nonmaterial to the next generation. Join Rabbi Goldsmith as we learn about this fascinating literary genre and work to create our own ethical wills. There may be no greater gift you can give to your children than your written legacy of values, hopes, and dreams.

Thursday, October 13, 10:30am

Thursday, December 1, 10:30am

Thursday, October 27, 10:30am

Thursday, December 15, 10:30am

Thursday, November 3, 10:30am

## **End of Life Decisions Panel**

Too often families face impossible end of life decisions without guidance from their loved ones. During this panel presentation we learn about important decisions that may face us or our loved ones. We will also discuss the vital ways to communicate our wishes to our loved ones. Facing these difficult conversations now will make life - and the end of life - easier in the future. We will be joined by Sara E. Meyers, Elder Law Attorney; Heidi Weiss, WJCS Licensed Social Worker and Healthcare Specialist; and Timothy P. Barr, Executive Vice President of the Calvary Fund, Inc.

Sunday, March 19, 10:30am

## **Comforting the Mourner, Supporting the Bereaved**

We often do not know what to say to someone who has lost a loved one. Too often this leads us to say nothing at all. Yet, our tradition teaches that we have an obligation to comfort the bereaved. Rabbi Goldsmith and Jane Dubro will lead this important discussion to offer both a framework and specific guidance on what to say to friends and family in the face of loss.

Sunday, April 16, 10:30am

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## Thursday Film Series

This diverse selection includes dramatic features and riveting documentaries and films that explore the Jewish experience.

### ***Schmatta: Rags to Riches to Rags***

**Thursday, October 13, 7:00pm**



A cautionary story of labor and greed, the film follows the decline of the US apparel manufacturing industry while illustrating the industry's relationship with unions and government. *Schmatta* offers firsthand accounts of generations of Americans who escaped poverty and entered the middle class thanks to the garment industry. The film also takes a look at the decline of clothing manufacturing in the US - in 1965, 95% of American clothing was made in the US; by 2009, only 5% is manufactured domestically.

### ***Shared Legacies***

**Thursday, January 12, 7:00pm**



This documentary looks at the modern-day alliance between African Americans and Jewish Americans. It begins with the founding of the NAACP in 1909 and showcases the bigotry and segregation that both groups have faced. There are narrations and testimonies from Holocaust survivors, leaders, advocates, including members of the King family, and many others. This is a fascinating story of faith and courage that is well structured and told in a compelling manner using archival footage with first-hand accounts from people who lived it.

### ***Mary and Max***

**Thursday, February 9, 7:00pm**



Mary and Max is a stop-motion adult-animated comedy/drama film. The voice cast includes the late Philip Seymour Hoffman, Toni Collette, Eric Bana and Bethany Whitmore, with narration provided by Barry Humphries. The film follows the lives and friendship of two unlikely pen-pals; Mary, a lonely Australian girl, and Max, a morbidly obese American man with Asperger's syndrome. The film is inspired by the director's twenty year relationship with his pen-pal in New York.

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## Thursday Film Series (cont.)

### ***93 Queen***

**Thursday, March 9, 7:00pm**



This is the inspirational story of Rachel "Ruchie" Freier, a Hasidic lawyer and mother of six who is determined to shake up the boy's club in her community by creating Ezras Nashim, the first all-female volunteer ambulance corps in New York City. In the Hasidic enclave of Borough Park, Brooklyn, EMS corps have long been the province of men. Though the neighborhood is home to the largest volunteer ambulance corps in the world, that organization has steadfastly banned women from its ranks. Now Ruchie and a group of tenacious Hasidic women are risking their reputations and the futures of their children to provide dignified emergency medical care to the Hasidic women and girls of Borough Park.

### ***Who Will Write Our History* viewing followed by a discussion with Steve Goldberg, Director of Education at the Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center**

**Thursday, April 27, 7:00pm**



This screening is in honor of Yom Hashoah - Holocaust Remembrance Day. In November 1940, days after the Nazis sealed 450,000 Jews in the Warsaw Ghetto, a secret band of journalists, scholars, and community leaders decided to fight back. Led by historian Emanuel Ringelblum and known by the code name Oyneg Shabes, this clandestine group vowed to defeat Nazi lies and propaganda not with guns or fists but with the ultimate weapon: the truth.

## FEATURED SPEAKERS & PROGRAMS

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### **Sukkot Open House at the Goldsmiths'**

**Sunday, October 16, 4:00pm**

Each year Rabbis Howard and Jennifer Goldsmith and their children, Lev and Talia, welcome the congregation to their backyard sukkah to celebrate Sukkot, the festival the rabbis called "z'man simchateinu" the time of our rejoicing. We'll shake the lulav, eat some treats, and rejoice in grand style.

### **Kristallnacht Program: Polish Jewish Women Who Fought the Nazis presented by Artist Paula Blumenfeld**

**Thursday, November 10, 7:00pm**

Paula's painting brings to life some of the courageous women who fought the Nazis during World War II, saving the lives of many -- often at the expense of their own. For a starting point, she used the few available existing black and white photos of these subjects from the Nazi era. For each portrait, she chose to use symbols that illustrate and relate to the particular acts of heroism by the woman depicted.

### **Social Justice Shabbat**

**Friday, January 13, 7:30pm**

One of the most important legacies we leave is our impact on the environment. At our Social Justice Shabbat this year we will honor the social justice achievements of the past while considering the future of our planet. With a special guest speaker we'll consider how we can make a difference for global warming and what it will look like when we succeed at this most vital task. Always a highlight of the year, our Social Justice Shabbat brings us together to imagine a better future.

### **Earl Rogers Tribute Event: *The Mischlinge Exposé* by Carolyn Enger**

**Thursday, January 26, 7:00pm**

The Mischlinge Exposé is a many-layered multimedia performance centering around Carolyn Enger's family's history and personal experience with Judaism. The works contextualize video and audio testimony of her father, Horace J. Enger, and her godmother, Rosemarie Steinfeld's, experiences in Germany after the Nuremberg Laws were passed and both were labeled "Mischling, Grade A," by the Nazis. Readings of text by Rahel Varnhagen and Heinrich Heine, both converts to Christianity who felt deeply conflicted after their conversion, show the turmoil that may have made its way into the music. Through the lens of historical context and the artistic and poetic testimony of prominent converts, the performance traces Enger's family story of conversion from Judaism to Christianity and back to Judaism.

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### **Mimouna Shabbat: A Moroccan Culinary Celebration**

**Friday, April 14, 7:30pm**

Mimouna is a traditional end-of-Passover feast celebrated by the Jews of North Africa. It marks the return to eating bread and other chametz following the week of Matzah. At this Shabbat we'll enjoy North African Jewish desserts and pastries and celebrate the Jewish culture of this part of the world. It is estimated that in Israel last year, over 2 million people celebrated Mimouna. This year Emanu-El joins that celebration!

### **Community Yom HaShoah Service**

**Monday, April 17, 7:15pm**

"Never forget." It is our obligation to remember. We remember the lives lost. We remember grand acts of heroism. We remember the quiet heroism of living one more day. We remember the rich heritage of communities that were destroyed. And then we vow to live our lives for those who perished. We join together with Jewish Community Center of Harrison, Community Synagogue of Rye, and Congregation KTI as we fulfill this sacred obligation.

### **The Samuel L. and Jane L. Friedman Lecture on Peace & Understanding**

**Friday, May 5, 7:30pm**

This lecture brings scholars, activists, politicians, and artists to our congregation to help us explore the intersection of Judaism and the ways that we can bring more peace and understanding to our world. Former congregational president William Friedman left this bequest in memory of his parents allowing us to explore the most pressing issues of our day.

Watch the bulletin and Emanumail for the announcement of this year's guest.

# Programming: Learning & Coming Together

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## Other Community Events

Whether a High Holy Day celebration, an opportunity for young professionals to meet with the clergy or the Annual Meeting, there are wonderful reasons to come together throughout the year.

### **Sukkot Open House at the Goldsmiths'**

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### **Current & Former Board Member Dinner**

**Friday, March 3, 6:00pm**

Each year current and former board members join together to reconnect, get updates on board business, and celebrate the congregation. The dinner is followed by our joyful Purim Shabbat!

### **Purim Shabbat & Celebration**

**Friday, March 3, 7:30pm**

No matter the theme, you can rest assured that Purim will be a raucous, joyous, ridiculous celebration of our laughter-filled holiday. Will Rabbi Goldsmith sing? Who will wear the most outlandish costume? Who will Margie McCabe play? Mark the date in your calendar so we can celebrate together! Come early for a Purim Cocktail at 7:15pm.

### **Annual Spring Benefit**

**Saturday, May 6, 7:30pm**

This is the perfect way to support the congregation's Annual Fund while having a fun evening... not to be missed! This year we will be honoring Rabbi Goldsmith for his 13 years of service to our congregation - his "bar mitzvah" year! Watch Emanumail and the bulletin for more information.

### **Drinks with the Clergy**

**Thursday, June 1, 6:30pm**

With so many children of the congregation living and working in New York City, this is the perfect opportunity for them to spend time with Rabbi Goldsmith and Cantor Stone in a more informal setting. It will also give them the chance to reconnect with friends from their religious school days.

### **Annual Meeting**

**Friday, June 9, 6:30pm**

Welcome new board members, bid departing board members a fond farewell and receive updates about the state of the congregation from Rabbi Goldsmith and our president, Larry Cohen. We follow this gathering with our Annual Congregant Intergenerational Art Show.

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## Young Families Events

"From generation to generation..." - *From the morning liturgy*

We are committed to helping young families begin their Jewish journeys! Bring your little ones - children, nieces, nephews, grandchildren - to Emanu-El to discover the joy of Jewish life through holiday celebrations throughout the year. Our Young Families events are overflowing with food, song, movement, crafts, stories, community, and fun!

All Young Families events are free and open to the community and are appropriate for ages 6 months through 2nd grade.

Rosh Hashanah Young Families Service  
& Celebration

Monday, September 26, 3:00pm

Yom Kippur Young Families Service

Wednesday, October 5, 2:15pm

Sukkot Celebration

Sunday, October 16, 10:45am

Celebration of Shabbat

Sunday, November 20, 10:45am

Chanukah Celebration

Sunday, December 18, 10:45am

Tu Bishvat Celebration

Sunday, February 5, 10:45am

Purim Celebration

Sunday, March 5, 10:45am

Passover Celebration

Sunday, March 26, 10:45am

Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebration

Sunday, April 23, 10:45am

Mitzvah Shabbat & Pizza Truck Dinner

Friday, May 12, 5:30pm

## The Bauman-Greene Pre-K & Kindergarten Program

"Torah tastes as sweet as honey to me." - *Ezekiel 3:3*

Our pre-k and kindergarten program gives your little ones a taste of Religious School! Each session highlights the unique rituals and celebrations of each Jewish holiday through a variety of artistic explorations. All pre-k and kindergarten programs are followed by Young Family Celebrations at the temple (above) - fun for the whole family. Free and open to the community. All classes meet from 9:30 - 10:45am on Sundays. *This program is funded by the generosity of congregant Dr. Caroline Bauman.*

Sukkot

Sunday, October 16, 9:30am

Chanukah

Sunday, December 18, 9:30am

Tu Bishvat

Sunday, February 5, 9:30am

Purim

Sunday, March 5, 9:30am

Passover

Sunday, March 26, 9:30am

Yom Ha'atzmaut

Sunday, April 23, 9:30am

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## Family Learning Shabbat

Experience the magic of Shabbat with your family! Join us for a vibrant service filled with music and learning as we unwind from the busy week and welcome Shabbat. Our family learning experiences are a core component of Jewish education at Congregation Emanu-El, and will take place on Friday evenings to bring together all our students have learned as we celebrate Shabbat with family and friends.

Family Learning Samba Shabbat & Dinner  
Friday, November 18  
6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Service

Mitzvah Shabbat & Pizza Truck Dinner  
Friday, May 12, 5:30pm

Family Learning Shabbat & Dinner  
Friday, February 3  
6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Service

## Family Friendly Shabbat Services

While all our services are open children, these Shabbat services are especially family friendly! Filled with music, holiday celebrations, and fun, welcome Shabbat arm-in-arm with your children and the whole community.

Simchat Torah Shabbat Service & Dinner  
Friday, October 14  
6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Service

Teen Shabbat Service Honoring  
our Graduating Seniors  
Friday, April 21  
7:30pm Service

Pop Shabbat Service  
Friday, December 9  
7:30pm Service

Mitzvah Shabbat & Pizza Truck Dinner  
Friday, May 12  
5:30pm Pizza & Projects  
6:30pm Service

Chanukah Shabbat & Dinner  
Friday, December 16  
6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Service

Confirmation Shabbat Service  
Friday, May 19  
7:30pm Service

Purim Shabbat Service  
Friday, March 3  
7:30pm Service

Shabbat Service Honoring  
Hineini Students & Families  
Friday, March 10  
7:30pm Service



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## Special Religious & Hebrew School Events

"The more Torah the more life." - *Hillel*

The Religious School connects families to the rich traditions and values of Judaism. Through a values-based curriculum and a robust Hebrew program, we equip our learners with the tools to connect with and explore their Jewish identity.

### First Session of Religious School

Sunday, September 11, 9:30am

### First Session of Academy & Confirmation

Monday, September 12, 7:15pm

### First Session of Tuesday Hebrew Tutoring

Tuesday, September 13, 3:30pm-6:30pm

### First Session of Boot Camp

Tuesday, September 13, 4:00pm

### First Session of Thursday Hebrew Tutoring

Thursday, September 15, 3:30pm-6:30pm

### Simchat Torah Shabbat & Consecration

Friday, October 14

6:00pm Shabbat Dinner, 7:00pm Service

### Chanukah Shabbat

Friday, December 16

7:00pm Shabbat Dinner, 8:00pm Service

### Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 5, 11:30am

### Final Session of Academy

Monday, April 24, 7:15pm

### No Religious School

Sunday, September 25

Sunday, October 9

Sunday, November 27

Sunday, December 25

Sundays, January 1 & 15

Sundays, February 19 & 26

Sundays, April 2 & 9

Sunday, May 14

### 6th Grade Retreat

Friday, April 28, 7:00pm

- Saturday, April 29, 11:30am

### Religious School Open House

Sunday, April 30, 9:30am

### Mitzvah Shabbat & Pizza Truck Dinner

Friday May 12, 5:30pm

### Confirmation Rehearsal

Monday, May 15, 7:15pm

### Last Session of Tuesday Hebrew Tutoring

Tuesday, May 16, 3:30pm

### Last Session of Thursday Hebrew Tutoring

Thursday, May 18, 3:30pm

### Last Session of Religious School/Hineini

Sunday, May 21, 9:30am

### Last Session of Boot Camp

Tuesday, June 13, 4:00pm

### No Hebrew Tutoring

Tuesdays, September 27

Thursday, September 29

Tuesday, October 4

Thursday, October 6

Tuesday, November 22

Thursday, November 24

Tuesday, December 27

Thursday, December 29

Tuesday, February 21

Thursday, February 23

Tuesday, April 4

Thursday, April 6

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## The Farah Family Hineini Program

"We will do and we will understand." - *Exodus 24*

Our 7th grade Farah Family Hineini Program students go out into our community and put the Jewish values they have learned into action making our world a better place and writing the next chapter of our Jewish story. This service-learning model has transformed Sunday mornings for our students and their families. A full schedule of activities and start times will be distributed to families directly. Dates for these activities are listed below. *This program is funded by the generosity of The Farah Family.*

Sunday, September 11, 9:45am	Sunday, January 29, 10:00am	<b>No Hineini</b>
Sunday, September 18, 10:00am	Sunday, February 5, 9:30am	Sunday, October 9
Sunday, October 2, TBD	Sunday, February 12, 10:30am	Sunday, November 27
Sunday, October 16, 8:30am	Sunday, March 5, 10:30am	Sunday, December 25
Sunday, October 23, 9:30am	Friday, March 10, 7:30pm	Sunday, January 1
Sunday, October 30, 9:30am	Sunday, March 12, 10:00am	Sunday, January 15
Sunday, November 6, 9:30am	Sunday, March 19, 9:30am	Sunday, January 22
Sunday, November 13, 8:45am	Monday, March 27, 7:00pm	Sunday, February 19
Sunday, November 20, 7:45am	Sunday, April 16, 9:30am	Sunday, February 26
Sunday, December 4, 9:30am	Sunday, April 23, 10:00am	Sunday, March 26
Sunday, December 11, 10:30am	Sunday, April 30, 7:45am	Sunday, April 2
Sunday, December 18, 9:30am	Sunday, May 7, 10:00am	Sunday, April 9
Sunday, January 8, 9:30am	Friday, May 12, 5:30pm	Sunday, May 14
Monday, January 23, 7:00pm	Sunday, May 21, 9:30am	

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## Academy

"The more study the more wisdom." - *Hillel*

Our 8th and 9th grade students will spend this year learning how to be Jewish leaders in the world today. Through a series of guest speakers, service-learning projects, and hands on experiences, students will leave each session with a tangible leadership skill that they will be able to implement immediately. By looking at different values, our students will become passionate leaders who understand how and why to make change in their communities. Sessions are Mondays at 7:15pm unless otherwise noted.

Monday, September 12

Monday, September 19

Monday, October 3

Monday, October 17

Monday, October 24

Monday, November 7

Monday, November 14

Monday, November 21

Monday, November 28

Monday, December 5

Monday, December 12

Monday, December 19

Monday, January 9

Monday, January 23

Monday, January 30

Monday, February 6

Monday, February 13

Monday, February 27

Monday, March 6

Monday, March 13

Monday, March 20

Monday, March 27, 7:00pm

Monday, April 10

Monday, April 17, 7:30pm

Monday, April 24

## No Academy

Monday, September 26

Monday, October 10

Monday, October 31

Monday, December 26

Monday, January 2

Monday, January 16

Monday, February 20

Monday, April 3

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## Confirmation

"The world stands on three things, on Torah, on worship and on acts of loving kindness."

- *Pirket Avot*

Our 10th graders spend a year studying with Rabbi Goldsmith exploring many facets of Jewish identity, theology and meaning. The teens finish the year knowing where they fit in the story of the Jewish people. Sessions are Mondays at 7:15pm unless otherwise noted.

Monday, September 12	Monday, February 13	<b>No Confirmation</b>
Monday, September 19	Monday, February 27	Monday, September 26
Monday, October 17	Monday, March 6	Monday, October 3
Monday, October 24	Monday, March 13	Monday, October 10
Monday, November 7	Monday, March 20	Monday, October 31
Monday, November 14	Monday, March 27	Monday, December 26
Monday, November 21	Monday, April 10	Monday, January 2
Monday, November 28	Monday, April 17	Monday, January 16
Monday, December 5	Monday, April 24	Monday, February 20
Monday, December 12	Monday, May 1	Monday, April 3
Monday, December 19	Monday, May 8	
Monday, January 9	Monday, May 15	
Monday, January 23	Friday, May 19 7:30pm	
Monday, January 30	Confirmation Shabbat	
Monday, February 6	Service	

## Madrichim Fellowship

The mission of the Madrichim Fellowship is to create a growing and evolving community in which Emanu-El teens have a strong sense of personal ownership, community connections, and Jewish identity. The fellowship is a rewarding and meaningful experience that allows our teens to make connections with children, support our Religious School teachers, and even gives them a chance to lead classroom activities of their own!

## Youth Group

"And the youth shall see visions." - *Joel 2:28*

Emanu-El has joined forces with KTI, JCCH, and Community Synagogue of Rye to launch a new BBYO chapter called Simcha. BBYO offers teens opportunities for leadership, friendship, developing Jewish identity, connection to something bigger than themselves, and much more.

One of the great features of BBYO is that the programming is completely teen-driven! Watch the Emanumail for events and updates.

### **Civil Rights Journey with Rabbi Goldsmith and Jane Dubro For Teens and Their Families**

**Thursday, January 19 - Sunday, January 22**

Judaism calls to our conscience: "Love your neighbor as yourself!"

In the footsteps of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, we will answer this call together.

On this powerful tour of the south, we will learn about the struggles of African Americans to gain equality in the 1950s & 60s. Montgomery, The Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, and the historic Ebenezer Baptist Church are just some of the sites that will help bring this vital part of American history to life - and motivate us to continue the important work of racial justice. Indeed, we will learn about the important role that Jews played in the Civil Rights Movement and consider how we can be effective allies and advocates today.

## **AND SO MUCH MORE...**

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Watch our weekly Emanumail and bulletin for new programs that we add throughout the year!

### **Emanumail**

To sign up for Emanumail, our weekly email blast, please send your email address to Dan O'Connor at doconnor@c-e-w.org.

### **Get Involved**

We welcome your involvement in the congregation. Beyond all the wonderful programs, we have a number of committees that would welcome your participation, input, and support. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Abbie Levitt at 914-967-4382 x1018.

### **"From Strength to Strength": Donate to the Annual Fund**

The Annual Fund provides the necessary resources to ensure that we can welcome anyone who wishes to be a member of Emanu-El, regardless of income level or financial hardship. This enables us to continue enriching our congregation through the diversity of our membership. The Annual Fund also helps fill the gap in our operating budget not met by regular dues, tuition, and fees.

It is your support that helps make us the wonderful community we are today as we move forward "From Strength to Strength".

For more information, contact Maj Wickstrom at majleew@gmail.com.

Please check our website and Emanumail for updates and changes to our program scheduling. Unless otherwise noted, the link for regular programs and services is [tinyurl.com/cewconnect](http://tinyurl.com/cewconnect). Worship services may also be viewed on our Facebook page and website.



