

**NOVEMBER 2021
BULLETIN**

FRIDAY NIGHT

6:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICES

**AT THIS TIME ALL SERVICES
WILL BE IN-PERSON and
via ZOOM**

Nov 5 Shabbat Service
Nov 12 Shabbat Service
Nov 19 Shabbat Service
Nov 26 Shabbat Service

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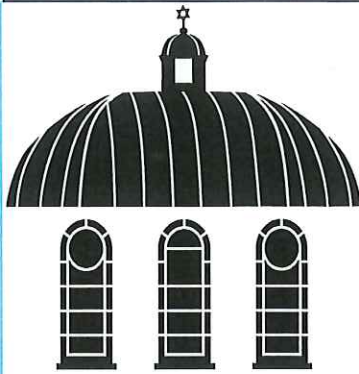
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Please slowly and clearly state the
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names of those attending, and
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TEMPLE EMANUEL

A sacred Jewish journey to enrich lives.

FROM OUR TEMPLE RABBI

On Thanksgiving Day, we might pause to ask ourselves how often we feel a genuine sense of gratitude. It is supremely significant that the ancient Biblical festival of Thanksgiving, the festival of Sukkot, which served as a model for the pilgrims, was born not in mighty prosperous Rome, nor in secure, amply endowed Greece. Thanksgiving had its origin in weak, insecure, tiny Judea.



If we think about Thanksgiving and research its history, we find that it has been largely misunderstood. We usually paint an idyllic picture of Pilgrims inviting Indians to festive tables piled high with sumptuous dishes. Yet of the 102 passengers who landed at Plymouth Rock, 51 died within the first six months. The survivors lived on the fringe of starvation in a hostile, uncharted world. They never knew what it was to have enough or to be secure.

The English settlers observed that first Thanksgiving after a year of cruel adversity. It was celebrated not in the Fall, but on July 30, 1623, after a bitterly cold winter, sickness, and a spring drought. That very drought finally broke on July 30, the day a ship arrived from England, bringing much needed supplies. It was on that day that the Pilgrims observed their Thanksgiving; not in a time of abundance, but in a time of want. And they did it by word and deed and by praising God.

It was not until 240 years later that Thanksgiving became a national holiday. Did it come in a period of plenty? No, it came in the darkest moments of the Civil War. In 1863, Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation appointing the last Thursday in November the day of observance. The proclamation began with the words,

"In the midst of a civil war of unequalled and severe magnitude . . ."

The opening sentence of this proclamation reminded me of one of the teachings of Rabbi Nachman of Bratslav who urged us to make music from whatever tiny modicum of ability we might possess. When we are at times, caught in low moments when no music seems to be found inside our souls, then we are urged to seek out at least one single note of goodness or blessing or truth. For it is precisely from this single note that we begin again.

We live in complicated times, where even that single note sometimes is hard to find. Hard to find, maybe, but not impossible. Several years ago, I had the pleasure of attending a Yitzchak Perlman concert at Lincoln Centre. At the beginning of the concert Perlman walked in in his so typical manner, sat down, slowly put his crutches on the floor, undid the clasps on his legs, tucked one foot back and extended the other forward. He then bent down, picked up the violin and proceeded to play. Just as he finished the first few bars, one of the strings on his violin broke, snapping with a loud shot like sound. Yet, rather than getting up and limp off stage to find another string or violin, Perlman waited a few moments, closed his eyes and then signaled the conductor to begin again. The orchestra began and Perlman played from where he had left off. You could see him modulating, changing and recomposing the piece in his head, to fit his three remaining strings. When he finished there was an awesome silence and then a thunderous applause. He smiled, raised his bow to quiet us and said: You know sometimes it is the artist's task to find out how much music you can still make with what you have left.

Who knows, perhaps that is the definition of life for all of us, not matter covid. Perhaps our task in this bewildering and complicated life is to make music, at first with all that we have, and then, when that is no longer possible, to have the courage to make music with what we have left. For all of us are just fiddlers on the fragile roof of life.

The true and most important lesson of Thanksgiving is that even in the midst of a pandemic, we can find reason to be thankful. Even when things look dark, we can find glimmerings of hope and light. If humanity has the capacity to do damage, then believe that humanity also has the gift to repair ourselves and the other. The most sublime music is the music played on three strings of a human heart, sometimes broken and scarred, human in that it can repair its shattered self by reaching out to others.

Each of us have their broken pieces, and our tears have the capacity to call forth a note of compassion, one solitary note with which to recompose this world's harmony. This Thanksgiving may we be blessed with family, each other and this community. May we be blessed with a belief in hope, light and each other despite everything, and the knowledge that we are all fiddlers on the shaky roof of life, part of a world symphony.

B'shalom,



Rabbi Chava Koster

DON'T FORGET

Free public lecture on the
Art & Architecture of Beaumont's Temple Emanuel
by Dr. Laura Cochrane

Thursday, November 4th, 5:30pm—7:30pm

At

The McFaddin-Ward House Visitor Center
1906 Calder Avenue—Beaumont, Texas

Tours of Temple Emanuel's Sanctuary

Will be held on

Friday, November 5th, 11:00am—2:00pm



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II. ELIJAH

FROM OUR TEMPLE PRESIDENT



In Ongoing Pursuit Of: **Teshuvah**-Forgiveness and Acceptance,
Tefillah-Meaningful Worship, **Tzedakah**-Righteous Acts

LASHON HARA

Lashon Hara, can be variously defined as loose talk, evil speech, lying speech, gossip, speaking about another's indiscretion or about their shortcoming. Regardless of how defined, *Lashon Hara* is considered one of the most damaging sins one can commit in Jewish thought.

Consider the following story. A man went about the community saying negative gossip about his rabbi. Later, he realized the wrong he had done, and began to feel remorse. He went to the rabbi and begged his forgiveness, saying he would do anything he could to make amends. The rabbi asked the man to go home, take one of his feather pillows, and stand on a hill that overlooked the town. "Rip open the pillow," the rabbi commanded, "and shake the feathers out. Then come see me tomorrow."

The next day the man returned to the rabbi's office, and reported that he had indeed taken one of his feather pillows, stood on the hill, ripped it open, and shook out the feathers into the wind. "Good," said the rabbi, "now, I would like you to go and collect every one of the feathers, and put them back into the pillow."

"I can't do that!" the man replied, "surely the wind has taken some of them all across the town, and I will not be able to find them all!"

The rabbi stared at the man, saying, "So it is with *lashon hara*, with gossip and slander. Once you send these negative words into the community, there is no way to undo the damage, no way to reach all those who have heard it and spread it. It is because of this that gossip and slander are like murder.

Speech has been compared to an arrow: once the words are released, like an arrow, they cannot be recalled, the harm they do cannot be stopped, and the harm they do cannot always be predicted, for words like arrows often go astray.

Judaism is intensely aware of the power of speech and of the harm that can be done through speech. Of the 43 sins enumerated in the Al Cheit confession recited on Yom Kippur, 11 are sins committed through speech. The Talmud tells that the tongue is an instrument so dangerous that it must be kept hidden from view, behind two protective walls (the mouth and teeth) to prevent its misuse.

There are two mitzvot in the Torah that specifically address improper speech: Thou shalt not go up and down as a tale-bearer among thy people (Lev. 19:16), and ye shall not wrong one another (Lev. 25:17, which according to tradition refers to wronging a person with speech).

The gravest of these sins of tale-bearing is *lashon hara*, which involves discrediting a person or saying negative things about a person, even if those negative things are true. Indeed, true statements are even more damaging than false ones, because you can't defend yourself by disproving the negative statement if it's true!

From the Talmud: "The School of R. Ishmael taught: Whoever speaks slander increases his sins even up to [the degree of] the three [cardinal] sins: idolatry, incest, and the shedding of blood."

The mystics were no less stringent on the sin of *lashon hara*, as the Zohar states: "God will accept repentance for all sins except one: giving another person a bad name."

The person who listens to gossip is even worse than the person who tells it, because no harm could be done by gossip if no one listened to it. It has been said that *lashon hara* kills three: the person who speaks it, the person who hears it, and the person about whom it is told. (Talmud Arachin 15b).

Exerting self-control over our speech is admirable. Even greater is the ability to truly respect and love every person, thereby automatically eradicating the negative and losing the desire to share bad information about them.

The destructive power of negative speech is surpassed only by the beneficial power of positive speech. Praising and speaking positively about others benefits ourselves, the person being praised and all of society.

Kol tuv,

Wayne

Wayne Margolis, M.D.-Temple President

U P D A T E D

TEMPLE EMANUEL COVID-19 GUIDELINES

As of October 20, 2021

CONGREGATION TEMPLE EMANUEL—BEAUMONT, TEXAS

TITLE: Unrestricted Opening of Temple Buildings and Sanctuary

APPROVAL DATE:

COVID-19 TASK FORCE: JULY 5, 2021

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: JULY 21, 2021; OCTOBER 20, 2021

RECOMMENDATION FROM COVID-19 TASK FORCE: The COVID-19 Task Force met July 5, 2021 at 7:15 pm via Zoom. Members present: Wayne Margolis, M.D., Ken Parker, Bob Kramer, M.D., Cheryl Barenberg and Rabbi Chava Koster (via telephone). Members absent none. The following policy recommendations were approved by the Task Force and will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees for approval and implementation

Temple Emanuel Administrative Building, Sanctuary and Swerdlow-Roosth Social Hall will adhere to the following guidelines as outlined by CDC as of May 28, 2021 and Local/State Health Departments.

Fully vaccinated congregants, Rabbi, employees, visitors and vendors may resume pre-pandemic activities offered by/at Temple Emanuel. You will not need to wear a mask or socially distance yourself from others. You are considered fully vaccinated if you meet one of the following conditions:

2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or

2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine

NOTE: individuals will not be required to show proof of vaccination. Individuals will only be asked if fully vaccinated. If they reply yes individuals will be taken at their word. If they reply no, those individuals will be strongly encouraged to follow guidelines outlined below.

Congregants, Rabbi, employees, visitors, and vendors who don't meet these requirements, regardless of age are not considered fully vaccinated. Congregation Temple Emanuel recommends that these individuals continue taking all precautions including but not limited to:

Wearing a mask

If you are not fully vaccinated and aged 2 or older, you should wear a mask while indoors at Congregation Temple Emanuel buildings.

In general, you do not need to wear a mask in outdoor settings while attending a Congregation Temple Emanuel function outdoors. However, in areas with higher COVID-19 cases, you may consider wearing a mask in crowded outdoor settings and for activities with close contact with others who are not fully vaccinated.

If you are fully vaccinated and have a condition or are taking medications that can weaken your immune system, you may need to keep taking steps to protect yourself. Those precautions may include but are not limited to:

Social Distancing-staying 6 feet away from others-Continue to social distancing measures and allow 6 feet between you and other individuals.

Handwashing-Frequently wash your hands to reduce exposure to COVID-19 Virus and emerging variants.

Coughing/Sneezing-Cough/Sneeze into handkerchief or elbow of arm.

Avoid crowds and poorly ventilated spaces

Get vaccinated

However, if the incidence of COVID-19 unexpectedly rises or variants of concern emerge, as determined by the World Health Organization, Center for Disease Control or Local/State Health Department guidelines, Congregation Temple Emanuel may recommend that congregants, Rabbi, employees, visitors and vendors return to previously adhered to mitigations guidelines.

Additional Measures:

Motzi and Kiddush: Motzi will be recited in the Swerdlow-Roosth Social Hall immediately following Shabbat Services. Individual slices of pre-packaged challah will be available for those individuals who want to participate in the reciting of the blessing.

Kiddush will be recited following Motzi. Small individual glasses of kosher wine will be available for those individuals who want to participate in the reciting of the Kiddush blessing.

These guidelines defined above pertaining to Motzi and Kiddush may be changed at any point with approval of the Board of Trustees.

Please dispose of your individual package wrappers and individual Kiddush cups in appropriate trash receptacle.

At this point in time Congregation Temple Emanuel will not be having any buffet meals following Shabbat services. The standard Oneg, described above, will follow services and consist of blessings over challah and wine. This however may change with approval from the Board of Trustees.

POSTPONED (for the time being)

**HOMELESS PROJECT—Brenda's Blessing Bags
SOCIAL JUSTICE SHABBAT & BLESSING OF OUR SACRED SAGES**

Once rescheduled we will let the congregation know.

SISTERHOOD SCHMOOZE—NOVEMBER 2021

Temple Emanuel has been busy during the month of October doing everything Cheesecake. I would like to thank the following Sisterhood members who have volunteered to do various tasks:

- Finances Extraordinaire—Allison Nathan Getz
- Everything Crust Related—Fern Roos, Esterlyn Dugan, Lois Rutman, Kathy Johnson and Janet Shackelford
- Precise Ingredient Measurer—Sherry Horwitz
- Marvelous Mixer Mavens—Beverly Hickman-Hay, Marilyn Mason-Hayes and Lori Alter
- Wonderful Cheesecake Wrappers—Arlette Hoffer and Lois Rutman

These dedicated Sisterhood members have made the cheesecake making process much easier and it has been a delight to work with all of them. *Today Robah* for a job well done.

VOLUNTERS ARE NEEDED for Cheesecake Pickup Day (Wednesday, November 17th from 11-1 and 4-6). Please call the Temple Office or myself.

As life at Temple Emanuel is ever evolving, stay safe, wash your hands often, socially (physically) distance and please wear a mask when appropriate.

Kol tuv,

Cheryl

**Cheryl Barenberg, President, Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
President, WRJ Southwest District**

As stated elsewhere in the bulletin, please join us for a presentation on Beaumont's Temple Emanuel by Dr. Laura Cochrane. Laura Cochrane is an associate Professor of Art History in the Department of Art and Design at Middle Tennessee State University. She has graduate degrees in Art History from the University of Texas at Austin and the University of Delaware. Her main area of expertise is the art of the Middle Ages.

She grew up in San Diego, California, but her mother, **Lois Diamond Cochrane** was born and raised in Port Arthur, Texas and was, along with her family, a member of **Temple Rodef Shalom**. Laura often visited Texas growing up, staying with her grandparents, **Robert and Pearl Diamond**, and her aunts and uncles, **Esterlyn and Alan Dugan** and **Fern and Stephen (z"l) Roos**.

While on a visit to Beaumont some years ago, she became intrigued by the style and subject matter of the stained glass windows of Temple Emanuel and wondered about their relationship to medieval stained glass. This has led her down an exciting research path that is revealing how the architecture and decoration of Beaumont's synagogue is connected to national and international debates about the role of art and architecture for Jewish religious practice and about the understanding of Jewish identity in the early twentieth century.

ART & ARCHITECTURE OF TEMPLE EMANUEL

Thursday, November 4th—5:30pm—7:30pm

McFaddin-Ward House Visitor Center

TOURS OF TEMPLE EMANUEL'S SANCTUARY

Friday, November 5th—11:00am—2:00pm

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DECEMBER 2021 YAHRZEITS

Week Ending 12/4 to be Read 12/3

Eli Engle
 Rose Greenberg
 Marvin H. Rosinger
 Richard Bennett
 Hymen Spector
 Jacob Sharfstein
 Justina Goldstein
 Tillie W. Kaufman
 Herta Mendelson
 Selma Zuber Rosenthal
 Morris Schnitzer
 Seame Feinberg Katz
 David Lefkovits
 Eva B. Segal
 Mollie Weintraub
 Braine Sharfstein

Week Ending 12/25 to be Read 12/24

Rose Richker Friedman
 Gerald Sampson
 Jane Anne Williams
 Hilda Gordon
 Karl David Schwartz
 Coye Williams
 Meyer Kaplan
 Sidney Golob
 Louis W. Kariel
 Joseph Miller
 Anna Dugan
 Rabbi Lothar Goldstein
 Bruce Greenberg
 Jerome F. Bemel
 Samuel Levine
 Helene Levy
 Charles Weinbaum, Sr.

Week Ending 12/11 to be Read 12/10

Benjamin Bernard Brauer
 Anna May Goldberg
 Richard D. Jackson
 Theodore Danziger
 Harry Galewsky, Jr.
 Mike Gerstner
 Stanley Kariel
 Yochanan Bruckner
 Rabbi Aaron Levy
 Hyman Asher Perlstein
 Horace J. Reddoch
 Emil Szafir
 Isadore K. Frenkel
 Lawrence D. Gale
 Vera Donde Hodes
 Isadore Shanefield
 Marianne Hodes Todd
 Renee Horwitz Bennett
 Samuel Irving Goldfine
 Sam Swerdlow
 Jake Horwitz
 Dr. Nate J. Rogers
 Ruth Rubin

Week Ending 1/1 to be Read 12/31

Annie Brookner
 Woodrow L. Melasky
 Mamie Gordon Perlstein
 Gertrude Petrova
 Goldie Saltzman
 Ann Lita Kramer
 A. H. Waldman
 Tillie Krauss Danziger
 Regina Bluestein Kaufman
 Dr. Bernard D. Koshkin
 Sam Liebman
 Sam Roosth
 Mose Sampson
 Judith Simons
 Larry Travitsky
 Gusta Brookner
 Abraham Goldberg
 Anna Belle Spector
 Lillie Jacobus Weinbaum
 George Braun

Week Ending 12/18 to be Read 12/17

Lena Lefkowitz
 Rebecca Miller
 Esther Toby Diamond
 Joseph Y. Horwitz
 Blanche Feinberg Levine
 Louis Mayer
 Anna Sampson
 Julia H. Bohrer
 Adele Schwarz Gordon
 Jake Levin
 Joseph G. Perl
 Ben J. Rogers
 Leon Cohen
 David Feinberg
 Ida Schwartz
 S. H. Sontag
 Madeleine Liebmann Wolf
 Kalman Kaplan
 Bernard "Ben" Kassoff
 Bernard Y. Rogers
 Eva Swerdlow
 Ben Adler
 Charles O. Fogal
 Harry Goldstein
 Sophie Esther Koshkin
 Joe Liebling
 Wanda Robertson
 Harry M. Rosen
 John Whipkey
 Jay Doblin
 Herman "Harry" Louis Goldstein











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 Max Silverberg
 John Anthony Berger
 Sophie Bernstein
 Hyman Lipson
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<p>19</p> <p>15 tevet</p>	<p>20</p> <p>16 tevet</p>	<p>21</p> <p>17 tevet</p> <p>FAST OF 10TH OF TEVET</p>	<p>22</p> <p>18 tevet</p> <p>6:30pm BOARD Meeting</p>	<p>23</p> <p>19 tevet</p>	<p>24</p> <p>20 tevet</p> <p> 6:00pm Shabbat Services (IN-person & ZOOM)</p>	<p>25</p> <p>21 tevet</p> <p> 9:00am Torah Study (IN-person & ZOOM)</p> <p>CHRISTMAS DAY <i>Shemot</i></p>
<p>26</p> <p>22 tevet</p>	<p>27</p> <p>23 tevet</p>	<p>28</p> <p>24 tevet</p> <p>TEMPLE OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>29</p> <p>25 tevet</p> <p>TEMPLE OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>30</p> <p>26 tevet</p> <p>TEMPLE OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>31</p> <p>27 tevet</p> <p> 6:00pm Shabbat Services (IN-person & ZOOM)</p> <p>TEMPLE OFFICE CLOSED</p>	

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 26 cheshvan	2 27 cheshvan	3 28 cheshvan 9:30am - Cheesecake Baking 11:30am - TES Schmooze 12:00N - TES Board Mtg	4 29 cheshvan 5:30pm - Art & Architecture of Temple Emanuel by Dr. Laura Cochrane at The McFaddin-Ward Home Visitor Center SIGD	5 1 Kisleiv 11-2 pm Tours of Temple 6:00pm Shabbat Services w/Birthday Blessings (IN-person & ZOOM) ROSH CHODESH	6 2 Kisleiv 9:00am Torah Study (IN-person & ZOOM) Toldot
7 3 Kisleiv	8 4 Kisleiv	9 5 Kisleiv	10 6 Kisleiv 9:30am - Cheesecake Baking (TBD)	11 7 Kisleiv 9:00am - TES Mah Jongg Day of Fun (tentative) CANADIAN REMEMBRANCE DAY VETERANS DAY	12 8 Kisleiv 6:00pm Shabbat Services (IN-person & ZOOM)	13 9 Kisleiv 9:00am Torah Study (IN-person & ZOOM) Vayetzai
14 10 Kisleiv	15 11 Kisleiv	16 12 Kisleiv	17 13 Kisleiv CHEESECAKE PICK-UP DAY 11:00am-1:00pm 4:00pm-6:00pm 6:30pm BOT Meeting	18 14 Kisleiv 4:00pm Lamar Interfaith Panel (Rabbi Koster is participating)	19 15 Kisleiv 6:00pm Shabbat Services (IN-person & ZOOM)	20 16 Kisleiv 9:00am Torah Study (IN-person & ZOOM) Vayshlach
21 17 Kisleiv	22 18 Kisleiv	23 19 Kisleiv	24 20 Kisleiv	25 21 Kisleiv HAPPY THANKSGIVING THANKSGIVING	26 22 Kisleiv 6:00pm Shabbat Services (IN-person & ZOOM)	27 23 Kisleiv 9:00am Torah Study (IN-person & ZOOM) Vayeshev
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NOVEMBER 2021 YAHRZEITS

Week Ending 11/6 to be Read 11/5

Abraham Franklin
 Eddie Gordon
 Magnus Jankelson
 Virginia Katz
 Herman Frank
 Rosalind Eldridge Horwitz
 Rabbi Samuel Rosinger
 Edwin E. Schwartz
 Winnie Toplitz
 Max Fleckman
 Belle Schultz
 Bernard Rowes
 Larry Schultz
 Elbertene (Tina) V. Schwartz
 Jennie Teitelbaum
 Rose Waldman
 Merritt Fruhman
 Aaron H. Hyman Levy
 Ruth Sandman Brookner
 Hilda R. Michaels
 Rebecca Hirsch

Week Ending 11/13 to be Read 11/12

David Faro
 Ludwig Baer
 Nathan Goldstein
 Molly Vaxler
 Mabel Goodman Cramer
 Evan Roscoe Hawes
 David Shapiro
 Samuel Sosno
 Bella Mayer Bluestein
 Louis Brookner
 Jimmie Goodman Williams
 Meyer Krasnow
 Sadye Williams Schlapik

Week Ending 11/20 to be Read 11/19

Betty Bogan
 Clara Davis
 Alexander Feigelson
 Meyar Goodman
 Leah Greenberg
 Nathan Hyman
 Mariam Bogan Rogers
 Kalman Walker
 Lena K. Loewenstein
 Benjamin Bender
 Morris Davis
 Harris Zeve
 Ralph Israel Brookner
 Celia Jankelson

Week Ending 11/27 to be Read 11/26

Richard Harold Klein
 Mae Abelman
 Leon Kassoff
 William A. Oshman
 Jennie Davis
 Ruth Frank
 William Klugman
 Fred Simon
 William Blieden
 Yetta Eisen
 Meyer Mellinger
 Lottie Rozner
 Evelyn N. Schackman
 Dr. Herbert Goldstein
 R.C. Harris
 Clara Miller
 Rose Greenberg Moskowitz
 Lizabell Williams Baer
 Sadie S. Green
 John Stuart Katz
 Marvin Peltz
 Salka Plettman
 Grace Saxon
 Minnie Spector



Floral Fund

Please consider honoring the memory of your loved ones by sponsoring the Pulpit flowers for our Friday evening Shabbat Service. Temple Emanuel observes the Yahrzeits of approximately 1,100 people during the course of the year. Your contribution to the Floral Fund will help beautify our sanctuary, our worship and add blessing to the memories of all of our loved ones and members who have died in years past.

The suggested minimum contribution to the Floral Fund is \$25.00.

Please make checks payable to:

Temple Emanuel Sisterhood

TEMPLE EMANUEL GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGES THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS:**Memorial & Tribute Fund**

In honor of
Temple Emanuel
by: Jeri Kirkendall

In honor of
Temple Emanuel
by: Alton Victores

In honor of
Temple Emanuel
By: The Assunto Family

Wishing a Speedy Recovery to
Michael Wolf
by: Mindy & Jay Eisen

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In loving memory of
Bette Ann Curry
by: Cheryl & Dr. Andrew
Barenberg, Sarah, Erika &
Dr. Ben Barenberg

In loving memory of
Becky & Edwin Gale
by: Temple Emanuel Sisterhood

In loving memory of our fathers
Irving Mayer Eisen
Seymour Teitelbaum
by: Cara & Dan Eisen

In loving memory of
Sadie & Irving Nathan
by: Iris & Jerry Nathan

In loving memory of
Gloria Weinbaum
by: Charlie Weinbaum

In loving memory of
Nanette Night
Donnie Night
by: Judy Night & Family

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In honor of
Rabbi Koster
by: Rita & Barry Davis

In honor of High Holy Day
Services by
Rabbi Koster
by: Lisa Loren

In loving memory of
Hirsh Zviben Moshe haCohen
by: Regina Rogers

Social Justice

Wishing a Speedy Recovery and
A Return to Health to
Michael Wolf
by: Susan & Russ Schultz

Social Justice—Disaster Relief

by: Arlette & Bruce Hoffer
by: Rita & Barry Davis
by: Richard Drapeau, Ph.D.

Social Justice—SETX Food Bank

by: Anonymous
by: Rita & Barry Davis
by: Wendie Nordgen
by: Mike Spector

Social Justice—Salvation Army

by: Judy Granger

Social Justice
Beaumont Pets Alive

In loving memory of
Jean Dickey
(Margaret Whipkey's Sister)
by: Miriam & Viraf Cooper

Cemetery Fund

In loving memory of
Minnie Spector
by: Mike Spector

Donation for cemetery
maintenance of the
Weinbaum/Perlstein
Mausoleums
by: Charlie Weinbaum

TEMPLE EMANUEL SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATE (NOVEMBER 2021 & BEYOND)

- **High Holy Days Fund Drive for Southeast Texas Food Bank, a tradition of Temple Emanuel:** THANK YOU to ALL who contributed to make this project a success! A full report will be in the TESJ Annual Report.
- **Disaster Relief, a tradition of Temple Emanuel:** THANK YOU to ALL who contributed to make this project on behalf of **Jewish Family Service of New Orleans** a success! A full report will be in the TESJ Annual Report.

TESJ Projects funded by *Tzedakah* to Social Justice Fund:

- Beaumont Pets Alive, a No-Kill Animal Shelter
- Disaster Relief
- Family Services of Southeast Texas for *Women & Children's Shelter*
- Homeless Project called *Brenda's Blessing Bags*
- Israel
- MAZON
- Salvation Army for *Homeless Shelter*
- Some Other Place
- Southeast Texas Food Bank
- Stable-Spirit
- Temple Emanuel for *The Orchard*
- Undesignated donations to Social Justice Fund

Other TESJ Projects – Intergenerational:

- *Christmas Day at Some Other Place*
- *Pickin' & Packin' Blueberries* for Nutrition & Services for Seniors
- *Packin' Shelf-Stable Meals* for Nutrition & Services for Seniors
- *Social Justice Shabbat & The Blessing of the Sacred Sages* and *fulfilling Brenda's Blessing Bags*

Dear Congregational Family and Friends of Temple Emanuel,

As you know, one of the pillars of President Wayne's focus during his term is the giving of *Tzedakah* as an important part of Temple Emanuel's *Love Thy Neighbor* Initiative.

PLEASE designate what you want your *tikkun olam mitzvah* dollars to support from the various *Tzedakah* opportunities in this article.

Here's how to support what speaks to your heart:

1. Please write a check to Temple Emanuel with Memo Note for Social Justice/the name of the TESJ project or projects that you wish to support and how much for each.
2. Or please send your check(s) to Temple Emanuel but payable to the specific non-profit(s). Your check(s) will be included with the letter(s) written to the non-profit(s).

3. Or please call Jane Kaulfus in the Temple Office at 409.832.6131 to charge your *Tzedakah* donation.
4. Or please visit www.emanuelbeaumont.org and click on the DONATE button.

THANK YOU for joining together to make a *tikkun olam* difference; may you and your loved ones continue to enjoy HAPPY and HEALTHY 5782!

Temple Emanuel Social Justice Committee

Beaumont Jewish Federation
4305 Sterling Lane
Beaumont, TX 77706

February 22, 2021

Dear Friends of the Southeast Texas Jewish Community,

Over the years, the Beaumont Jewish Federation has lived its legacy of providing financial help in the following ways:

- Financial assistance to local Jewish families in need
- Scholarships for Temple Emanuel teenagers to experience Israel
- Grants for adults to UJA-Federation Young Leadership Missions in Israel
- Financial assistance to Hillel organizations of Texas A&M University, University of Houston, and University of Texas
- Various campaigns to help Israel during crises
- Special campaign to bring Ethiopian Jewry to freedom in Israel
- Special campaign to bring Jews of the Former Soviet Union to freedom in the United States...specifically two families to Beaumont

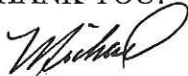
What BJF has supported over the years has been significant!

We don't come to the Jewish community for an annual gift; rather, we approach the Jewish community when funds are needed. And now is such a time!

As BJF continues providing financial assistance to those in need, we ask for your financial support of Beaumont Jewish Federation by sending your check as follows:

Beaumont Jewish Federation
4305 Sterling Lane
Beaumont, TX 77706

THANK YOU!



Michael Wolf, President



BIRTHDAY LIST - NOVEMBER

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 2 ~ Miriam Cooper (75) | 14 ~ Sam Rutman |
| 3 ~ Cara Eisen | 16 ~ Mindy Eisen |
| 7 ~ Laura Thomas (70) | 18 ~ Rita Davis (75) |
| 8 ~ Karen Chapman | 19 ~ Kathy Johnson |
| 8 ~ Marilyn Manson-Hayes | 20 ~ Susan Margolis (65) |
| 9 ~ Stephen Diamond | 23 ~ Charlie Weinbaum, Jr. (95) |
| 11 ~ Arline Meyers | 25 ~ Dr. Barry Davis |

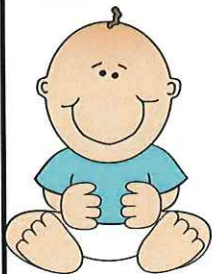


Anniversary List - November

- 2 ~ Robin & John Goebel
- 5 ~ Sharon & Scott Parker
- 19 ~ Lindsay & William Spector
- 22 ~ Allison & Mike Getz
- 23 ~ Brenda & Neil Fogal

November Shabbat Hostesses and Greeters

- November 5 - Marleen Swerdlow
Cynthia & Michael Wolf
- November 12 - Sarah & Kenny Mann
Laura & Gene Thomas
- November 19 - Stephen Eisen
Emily & Jeff Wheeler
- November 26 - Judy Granger
Joy Parker
Ken Parker



Mazel Tov

On the birth of
Lucas Seline
October 6, 2021
8 lbs. 15 ozs

PARENTS: Becca & Blake Seline

GRANDPARENTS: Dorothy & Gary Seline

GREAT GRANDPARENTS:
Fern & Stephen (z"l) Roos

**Thanksgiving Holiday
For Temple Office**

Thursday, November 25th
thru
Monday, November 29th



Remember Your Loved Ones....

FUND (please check)

Contribution (Ten-\$10.00) dollars per name minimum)

Memorial & Tribute

In honor of _____

Kol Israel Chapel

In memory of _____

Becky & Edwin Gale *Love Thy Neighbor*

For Speedy Recovery of _____

Community Fund

From: _____

Cemetery

Address: _____

Floral (\$25 minimum) (Checks payable to Sisterhood)

City/State/Zip: _____

Rabbi's Discretionary (Checks payable to
Rabbi's Discretionary Fund)

Send Card to Name: _____

High Holiday Music

Address: _____

Social Justice

City/State/Zip: _____

TEMPLE EMANUEL CEMETERY REPORT

Thank you to those who have donated to caring for and cleaning markers, stones and mausoleums in Hebrew Rest and Kol Israel Cemeteries. Their mitzvahs are appreciated. Most recently **Arlette and Bruce Hoffer, Mike Spector and Vincent Luperello** have cleared substantial underbrush and debris from a portion of the unimproved wooded area of Hebrew Rest. There is more to do, but **Arlette, Bruce, Mike and Vincent** have contributed significant "Sweat Equity"!! We would also like to acknowledge a big thank you to a local citizen who placed remembrance flags at the graves of military combat service veterans on national holidays.

Alan Sampson—Cemetery Chairman

This is Not Goodbye - it is "I will see you later."

I wanted each of you to know that it has been an honor to work in the Temple Office for 7 years. I have enjoyed the conversations and meeting those who have come into the office for one reason or another. I have developed some lasting friendships and I will treasure those always. Although I will not be in the office every day, I will continue to work behind the scenes to keep Temple running as smooth as possible. My daily role with Temple may be changing but I am just a phone call, text message or email away.

SEE YOU LATER

Jane Kaulfus

Hanukkah Vocabulary

Key words and phrases for the Jewish Festival of Lights.

FROM MY JEWISH LEARNING [<http://www.myjewishlearning.org>]

Al Hanisim — Literally “on the miracles,” the prayer added to the Amidah prayer and Birkat Hamazon (blessing said after meals) during Hanukkah.

The four Hebrew letters on the dreidel, with the names transliterated above.



Dreidel (also commonly spelled dreydel) — A spinning top with four sides, each marked with a different Hebrew letter and each indicating a different play in this game.

Gelt — Yiddish for money, which was traditionally given on Hanukkah. Today, it is more often used to identify foil-covered chocolate coins, which are included in many Hanukkah celebrations.



Chocolate gelt

Hanukkah (also commonly spelled Chanukah) — Literally “rededication,” an eight-day holiday commemorating the Maccabees recapturing the Temple from the Greeks.

Hanukkiyah — Literally “Hanukkah lamp,” it is more commonly referred to as a menorah (see below). It contains nine candle-holders, one for each night of Hanukkah and one to hold the Shamash (see below).

Latkes — Pancakes, usually potato ones, fried in oil and eaten on Hanukkah.

Maccabees — The family of religious zealots who triumphed over the Syrian Greeks and liberated the Temple.

Menorah — Literally “lamp,” it originally was used only to describe the seven-branched candelabrum that was used in the ancient Temple in Jerusalem. However, the hanukkiyah used on Hanukkah is commonly referred to as a menorah.

Nes Gadol Hayah Sham — Literally “a great miracle happened there,” the letters on the dreidel (nun, gimmel, hey, shin) represent these words. In Israel, the shin is replaced with a peh, so the letters spell out Nes Gadol Hayah Po, or “a great miracle happened *here*.”



A Hanukkiyah, or Hanukkah menorah. The shamash is the candle in the center.

Sevimon — The Hebrew word for dreidel.

Shamash — Literally “the helper,” the candle on the Hanukkiyah that is used to light the other candles.

Sufganiyot — Doughnuts, usually jelly-filled ones, fried in oil and eaten on Hanukkah

Kindling the Chanukah Lights

The Candles are placed in the Chanukah Menorah from right to left, and kindled from left to right.

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו, וצונו להדליק נר (של) חנוכה.
Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu l'hadlik neir (shel) chanukah.

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

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, שעשה נסים לאבותינו בימים ההם בזמן הזה.
Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam, she-asah nisim la-avoteinu bayamim haheim baz'man hazeh.
We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe: You showed wonders to our fathers/mothers in days of old at this season.

The blessing of 'shehecheyanu' is added on the first night only:

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, שהחיינו וקיימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה.
Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam, shehecheyanu v'kivy'manu v'higi-anu laz'man hazeh.
We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.

The following Prayer is read or sung after the candles are lit:

הנרות הללו אנחנו מדליקים על הנסים ועל הנפלאות ועל התשועות ועל המלחמות, שעשית לאבותינו בימים ההם בזמן הזה, על ידי כהגידה הקדושים. וכל שמונת ימי חנוכה הנרות הללו קדש הם, ואין לנו רשות להשתמש בהם, אלא לראותם בלבד, כדי להודות ולהלל לשמך הגדול, על נסידך ועל נפלאותיך ועל ישועתך.

Haneirot halalu anachnu madlikim al hanisim v'al hanifla-ot v'al hat'shuot v'al hamilchamot, she-asita la-avoteinu bayamim haheim baz'man hazeh, al y'dei kohanecha hak'doshim. V'chol sh'monat y'mei chanukah haneirot halalu kodesh heim, v'ein lanu r'shut l'hishtameish bahem, ela lirotam bilvad, k'dei l'hodot ul'haleil l'shimcha hagadol, al nisecha v'al nifl'otecha v'al y'shuatecha.

We kind these lights in remembrance of the wondrous deliverance You inspired our ancestors to struggle for and to attain. During the eight days of Chanukah these lights are sacred; we gaze upon them, so that their glow may rouse us to give thanks for Your wondrous saving power.

Chanukah Song: Rock of Ages

מעוז צור ישועתי לך נאה לשבתי,
תכון בית תפילתי ושם תודה נגבתי,
לעת תכין מטבתי מצר המנבתי,
אז אגמור בשיר מזמור חנוכה המזבתי.

Ma-oz tzur y'shuati l'cha na-eh l'shabei-ach, tikon beit t'filati v'sham todah n'zabei-ach, l'eit tachin matbei-ach mitzar hamnabei-ach, az egmor b'shir mizmor chanukat hamizbei-ach.

Rock of ages, let our song praise Your saving power;
You, amid 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.) 2X