The Newsletter of Temple Emanuel Kensington, Maryland



## Join us for Shabbat Services with special guest speakers:



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 6:30PM Madison DeMarco, a member of Temple Emanuel, traveled over the summer to Israel, from Haifa to the Negev

and everywhere in between. She learned more about our people, and became more connected to Judaism. Madison is looking forward to sharing her adventures with th Temple Emanuel community.



FRIDAY. NOVEMBER 10. 7:30PM Lilly Maier, author of Arthur and Lilly. Lilly's personal story of growing up in the same apartment in Vienna

as a Holocaust survivor. The book is a biography of Arthur, and of the friendship between Arthur and Lilly.



#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 6:30PM - WORLD AIDS DAY

Dr. Lynne Mofenson, who was awarded the 2012 Federal Employee of the Year Samuel J. Heyman Service

to America Medal, is a pediatric infectious disease specialist who directed research on pediatric and maternal HIV infection at the **Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of** Child Health and Human Development for 26 years. She currently serves as Senior HIV Technical Advisor for the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation Research Program and consultant to WHO/UNAIDS/UNICEF. Dr. Mofenson and her husband Bruce Katz and daughter Jessica Katz have been members of Temple Emanuel since 1989.



## from the Rabbi

#### **RABBI'S REMARKS:**

By the time you open this exciting Kol Kore, you may be a bit weary of the synagogue. In rabbinic circles, we call the day after Yom Kippur (or for those of us in the know, the day after Simchat Torah) Yom Kaput, because we are DONE. But what is amazing to remember after the holidays is that the year is not done in fact, it has just begun. And that is a blessing. Because now that we have celebrated the new year, repented, and reaped in the beauty and bounty of the harvest and restarted our incredible cycle of Torah, it is time for us to continue on our journey of learning, growth, and building even deeper relationships



with our friends, our community, and even with God and that which is greater than ourselves. The holidays provide us with a great opening to the year, and now we can enjoy the wonder of the "regular" days that stretch beyond.

There are a lot of exciting things happening at Temple Emanuel this fall; you are welcome to join me on Thursdays in-person or via zoom for my Rabbi's class which this semester will continue to focus on mussar, the study of Jewish ethics. Whether you are a seasoned mussar learner or this is brand new material, mussar is a terrific way to learn about yourself and how you can strive for improvement in a safe environment. All are welcome! Additionally, there are several special shabbatot in the next few months where we will have an array of guest speakers giving us new and interesting perspectives on how Judaism can impact our day to day lives and the challenges we face.

As always, I want to remind you that our Temple Emanuel clergy and staff are here for you no matter what is going on in your life. One of the greatest blessings of my work is getting to be with folks during the good and more challenging moments of their lives. If we haven't connected for a while (or at all), I invite you to reach out to set up a meeting. You don't need to have any agenda other then getting to know each other a little more. Now that the holidays are past I would love to catch up in person, on zoom, or however and wherever is convenient for you.

Wishing you and your loved ones a beautiful fall season of warmth, health, and peace,

L'shalom, Adam

# AT BABYCAT BREWERY SUNDAY OCTOBER 8, 4:00PM, SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11, 4:00PM Will continue monthly, future dates to be confirmed Join Rabbi Adam Rosenwasser and Reverend Joey Heath-Mason, Associate Pastor at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, at BabyCat Brewery. We will discuss what our respective traditions teach us about our sacred texts, focusing on different topical issues each month.

## **Introduction to Mussar**

**WITH RABBI ADAM ROSENWASSER** 

Every other Thursday 12-1pm, beginning October 5

Mussar is the study of middot, character traits. The practice of mussar dates back over a thousand years, and folks still find great meaning in studying it and using it in their daily lives. We will work our way through Alan Morinis' "Everyday Holiness," reading and discussing a different chapter each class. You are encouraged to attend as many sessions as you can as they will build on each other. Please acquire the book "Everyday Holiness" by Alan Morinis. Although you are strongly encouraged to attend in person, the class will also be available on zoom.

## from the Cantor

#### Chevre-

I hope that you all had a meaningful High Holy Day season, and that you have come away feeling nourished, fulfilled, and more connected to our community. It was an incredible month, filled with some new creative initiatives that showcased our talented Temple Emanuel community. What a joy it was to hear such ruach (spirit) emanating from our Kol Ruach Junior Choir, as they sang at our Katan Family Services. What a pleasure it was to enjoy heartfelt reflections from our teens and beautiful, contemporary folk musical



selections at our newly designed KESTY Family Services. What a delight it was to be joined by both the Kol Zimrah and Kol Ruach Junior Choirs at our festive Neilah service, which concluded with a cacophony of blasts from our community of shofar blowers. It was an incredible experience, and I hope it was fulfilling for all of you.

There are many more festive opportunities to hear our incredible choirs and band in the coming months, including Simchat Torah on Friday, October 6, Shabbat services on October 27 and November 3rd, the Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Concert on Tuesday, November 21, and our Hanukkah Celebration chock full of events throughout the weekend of December 8-10. These musical events will deepen your connection to Shabbat and our holidays, and are perfect for families.

I'm also excited to announce an exciting new endeavor on the horizon. As you may know, I spent a year in Israel at the onset of my cantorial journey with Hebrew Union College- Jewish Institute of Religion in 2012-2013. That trip was only my 2nd time ever traveling to Israel, with the first being Birthright a decade prior. I absolutely fell in love with Israel during my year there: from the historic sights and lovely people, to the joyous holidays and the delicious food... it is truly is a place like no other.

Ever since that year, I have wanted to return, but I wanted my next visit to be a congregational trip: One that would help build a stronger community of temple families, that would engage children and show them this beautiful country, allowing them to fall in love with Israel like I did. To that end, I'm planning a Family Israel Trip during winter break of December, 2024. I will work with congregants and a tour company to put together a trip that is tailor made for families with school aged children and younger siblings. I'd love to assemble a committee to help carefully plan this trip. If you are interested in helping out, please be in touch with me.



# from the President

Fall hits fast. Even as an adult, when the end of summer isn't necessarily that momentous, the start of fall can feel like an oncoming train.

It's actually still August as I'm writing this, but by the time you read it, kids will be back in school, the High Holy Days will be over (almost over?), and we might have had a cool day or two.



For me this was my first "fun" summer since covid. What made it fun, as far as I can tell, was breaking out of my routines and doing things I don't normally do. This is me we're talking about, so I wasn't exactly going hang gliding. But, among other things, I went to the movies on a weeknight, saw a few concerts, took a quick trip out of town with my husband, and went to a baseball game for the first time in ages. I even tried open water swimming in the Potomac (fun!). None of that is terribly exciting on its own, but there were enough different things going on throughout the summer that the season didn't feel like one long, run-on sentence as it has the past few years. Post-pandemic, it was a real breath of fresh air.

So what is the message from August that I can bring to you now, as October approaches? Shake things up a little bit. Play hooky. Try new things.

There's so much going on at Temple Emanuel this fall to help you escape your usual routines. Maybe take a break in the middle of your day to join Rabbi Adam's class on Mussar – a spiritual practice devoted to leading an ethical and meaningful life. Or take the family to Great Wolf Lodge for a Shabbat retreat. Join our play reading group. Try our Simchat Shabbat service, with kiddush lunch afterwards. Drink some beer at an interfaith "hoppy" hour. Come learn from our artist in residence, composer Dave Schlossberg, in February. Get some help with that knitting project from the WRJ needle crafts group. Enjoy all that Temple Emanuel has to offer.

Wishing you all a shana tova u'metuka. Martha

# from the Early Childhood Center

Temple Emanuel's **EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER** has limited spots remaining in our 3- and 4- year old cohorts for the 2023-2024 school year. We invite you to visit and see us in action! For more information or to schedule a tour, please contact Dana Robinson, Director, Early Childhood, or call (301) 942-2000. Inspired by the Reggio Emilia approach to early childhood learning and the progressive values of Temple Emanuel, we foster a love of exploration and discovery.

Children ages 2 to 5 share their days together in our highly-respected, full-day, year-round program.

## NEW FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR: NITZANIM (FOR CAREGIVERS AND CHILDREN BIRTH THROUGH 23 MONTHS)

Experience a taste of Temple Emanuel Early Childhood Center designed for our youngest community members!

Join us for a morning of exploration and community. Following our community wide celebrations, we will complete our Ta'am Shel Shabbat (Taste of Shabbat) with a sharing of challah and juice. Children will then have the opportunity to research and create theories as they engage with materials in a classroom environment.

Nitzanim will offer families an opportunity to build community and introduce children to new ways of exploring and gaining an understanding of the world around them. Space is limited. Nitzanim (For Caregivers and Children Birth through 23 months)

First and Third Fridays of the Month, 9:30-11:30 am Cost: \$60 per session



Session 1 (October -December)



Session 2 (January -March)



Session 3 (April - June)

# from the Director of Congregational Learning

Temple Emanuel's Religious School serves many purposes. Students meet new friends, develop their Jewish identities, practice Jewish traditions, celebrate Jewish holidays, read Hebrew, learn about Jewish history, and contribute to the temple community. Underlying these activities are Jewish values which guide our decisions and help us actualize our Jewish identities.

Starting in the 2023-2024 school year, our Religious School activities will focus on three core Jewish values. These values are Limmud - לימוד (learning), Kehilla - קהילה (community) and Ruach - רוח (spirit). When our teachers plan lessons, each activity will incorporate one or more of these values. This will build "muscle memory" for learning and making decisions through a Jewish lens.



Our first core value is *Limmud* – Learning. Learning about Judaism is an essential component of our school. Jews are the "people of the book," and we are all lifelong learners. We learn not just through academics, but through interactions and experiences. There are many opportunities for staff to learn from students and for our entire community to share knowledge and experiences.

Our second core value is *Kehilla* – Community. Our lives are enriched when we learn and engage with a community that cares about and supports us. Our Religious School works to create an intentional community of staff, students, families, congregants, and other individuals who interact with our school.

Our third core value is *Ruach* – Spirit/Energy. What does it "feel" like to be Jewish? How can we bring positive energy and spirit to our students as part of their Jewish experience? Our lessons and activities will provide opportunities for students to embrace Judaism through their minds, senses, and emotions.

#### ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the wonderful learning in the Religious School, there are many upcoming opportunities for adult learners. In October, we start our year-long exploration of Jews and beverages. Jews have traditionally celebrated joyous occasions with beverages and not all of them are made by Manischewitz.

On October 3, we will celebrate Sukkot by making "etrogcello," a spin on the Italian classic drink limoncello. This interactive class will be taught by Abraham Belilty, an Israeli shaliach with his own fascinating story. You will go home with a jar of citrusy goodness! Cost is \$25 which includes all materials. Ages 21+. Watch your email for the registration link.

On November 18, wine expert Steve Kerbel will host an evening of tasting Israeli wines and learning about the history and development of Israel's ancient wine history and modern wine culture success. Did you know that Israel has over 300 wineries? Cost is \$25 which includes 6 tastings and snacks. Ages 21+. There will be a nonalcoholic alternative beverage option. Presented in partnership with WRJ. Watch your email for a registration link.

We have many more learning opportunities, including Rabbi Adam's Mussar class on Thursdays and a special appearance by Rabbi Mark Levine on November 9, presenting on the Jews of Morocco. I hope to see many of you at these events!

L'Shalom,

Laura Naide, Director of Congregational Learning

# THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND BOE SOCIAL COMMITTEE HAVE SEVERAL EXCITING UPCOMING EVENTS:

Join other Temple Emanuel families for an afternoon of Hiking and Hops on October 14th:

Meet in mid afternoon at Rachel Carson Conservation Park for a moderate  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mile hike.

- No big hills, beautiful scenery yet relatively easy terrain

  Then a scenic 10 minute drive to Waredaca Brewery. Feel free to
  skip the hike and just meet us for dinner in the early evening
- Drink craft beer outside while horses munch on grass
- Various food options including pizza and food truck available on site

Coffee Walks First Sunday of each Month (10/1, 11/5, and 12/3): Socialize, walk, and possibly grab a beverage while kids are in religious school. No need to register in advance, simply meet in the lobby at 9:30 am following the family minyan.

**Board of Education Meet and Greet on October 22:** Get to know members of the Board of Education, hear about our latest happenings, share your experiences, or just schmooze with other religious school parents.

## from the Shaliach

Shalom everyone!

What a great beginning to this year we had! We got to celebrate the High Holy Days together with special KESTY-Led Services and truly saw our youth shining bright! There's so much more to unravel this upcoming year and we're just getting started! We're kicking off this year with the Annual KESTY Bonfire on October 3rd, and we can't wait to see all of our amazing teens there!We will meet the new KESTY Teen Board and we'll enjoy good music, mixers, and of-course, food (S'mores!). Looking forward, we have so many more amazing programs down the line, and you can find the full schedule on our website and instagram page (@kestymd).

We are also very excited to start the school year with our amazing

teen Religious School Staff! They are going to serve as Madrichol and Apprentices in our Sunday School Program and will take our learning



experience to the next level! I'm very proud of this amazing group and look forward to seeing them in action!

> See you all soon! Snir

## Adult Learning with Snir!—Love, Family, and Everything In-Between

Our shaliach, Snir Holtzman, is planning classes about Israeli films and literature. All will be held from 12:00-1:00pm

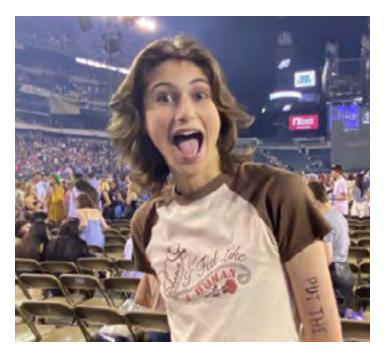
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## Adam Dincin (KESTY President):

My name is Adam Dincin and I am the President of KESTY. the youth group here at Temple Emanuel. I have also been a Madrich at Temple Emanuel for four years now! My KESTY journey started in 2019 at the annual bonfire. Originally, I only attended the event because all of my friends were going, but once I was there, I immediately fell in love. The environment was so welcoming and I could tell everyone was genuinely happy to be there. We made s'mores and chatted around the fire until it was time to leave. After the Bonfire, I continued to attend events even when my friends couldn't, because I had truly found a place for myself in KESTY. Since then, I have made many great friends and memories within the group, and have especially appreciated its kindness and inclusiveness.

Not only has KESTY helped me grow socially, but it has also allowed me to grow in my spirituality. Before joining, I had not felt a strong connection with Judaism, like others my age had. I attended religious school on Sundays and enjoyed it, but that was about all. KESTY allowed me to become more in touch with Judaism as I was surrounded by so many other Jewish teens, of all levels of faith. Seeing everyone around me having such different and personal ways of being Jewish helped me be comfortable in my own faith. The KESTY community became a home that allowed me to grow into the person I am today and I am so incredibly grateful for that.

I am very proud and excited to be serving as the KESTY President this year. We have a great rest of the year ahead of us! If you ever have any questions about KESTY or other youth programming please feel free to contact me or our Director of Youth engagement, Snir Holtzman.



## from the Brotherhood

The Brotherhood had a wonderful summer, full of activities, and we are really looking forward to the Fall, the High Holy Eays, and (hopefully) cooler weather! I am really enjoying working with such a great group of Brothers, meeting together, supporting each other and the community, and having a ton of fun. I have been a member of the Brotherhood for over six years now, and into the second year of my term as President. It continues to be so rewarding and I have made many good friends! Over the summer we held our Shabbat service on July 7th that was well attended and very meaningful. We honored our dear friend Dan Gerecht and his family and friends – he is sorely missed, but it was so touching to hear so many stories and memories shared by our Brotherhood members, family, and friends.

One new initiative I want to share is the ADL's Kulanu: Synagogues in Action Against Antisemitism program that Temple Emanuel is now a part of, joining the 8-month program which starts after the High Holy Days. The Brotherhood is leading this effort, in coordination with TE leadership and it is a wonderful program, dedicated to empowering congregations to address antisemitism in their communities through education, community engagement, and advocacy. We are part of Cohort 2, the second year of this important program and looking forward to it. If you are interested in learning more, please reach out to me. As events, trainings, and programming is developed, we will be sharing all of that with the TE community.



Our August monthly board meeting was held at BabyCat Brewery in

Kensington, outside on their patio area, and that was so much fun. It is great that we can do our important business while also having a great time. Also in August, the Brotherhood led our annual Temple Emanuel grounds cleanup. We worked hard to spruce up the property, trimming, weeding, mulching, and planting beautiful flowers in time for the High Holy Days. This is always such a nice community effort. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard making this happen.

Please hold the date of October 8 from 9:30-11:30 for a special Temple Emanuel Student Mentorship Brunch Program. The brunch will be from 9:30-10:15. Following the brunch, students and their mentors completing the 2023 TESMP will discuss their mentorship experience and impacts on personal and possible career aspects. See the Global Mitzvah section of Kol Kore for more details.

Our monthly board meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month, at 7:30, and are open to all. Please come join us for spirited discussions over drinks and snacks – it's great to relax and hang out with friends! We welcome new members from across the TE community and are especially interested in reaching out to new folks in the TEECC and those new to TE. The Brotherhood is a great way to meet people and build new friendships. There is so much going on it is impossible to cover everything in this issue of Kol Kore –reach out to me and stay tuned!

Shanah Tovah Umtukah, which means "May you have a good and sweet new year."

Alan Tabachnick, Brotherhood President

## Women of Reform Judaism

Temple Emanuel's Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ)/Sisterhood welcomes you to our activities this year. Membership in WRJ is a great way to get to know women of different ages and backgrounds through our annual retreat, weekly drop-in Mahjong games, brunches, discussion groups, and other programs.

Any person identifying as female who is committed to the goals and objectives of Temple Emanuel WRJ, its Congregation, and the Jewish community is eligible for membership. Now is a great time to start this year's membership - whether joining WRJ for the first time or rejoining WRJ if you're currently not a member. Please contact Judi Sprei, our Vice President for membership: judisprei@gmail.com

As we look forward to the upcoming year, we want to take this opportunity to thank Mollie Katz and Marge Auerbach for leading wonderful Shabbat services on August 11th and September 22nd.

Read on and learn about some of what WRJ has in store for the coming year.

**Monday night Mahjong is BACK** at the Temple from 6:30-8:30pm. Open to all WRJ and Brotherhood members. Other Temple members who are not members of WRJ or Brotherhood can come twice to give it a try.

The **Bagel Table** returns with coffee, muffins, bagels and the fixings. We are always looking for volunteers to staff it. We encourage you to try it – even once, so that you can see the fun in interacting with our Temple youth and get to know other volunteers –or just stop by for breakfast – even if you don't have children in the Religious School.

Creative Crafts, first and third Wednesday of the month - Join others to do your favorite craft at 2pm in the Adult Ed room - men are welcome. Please contact Esther Starobin at erstarobin@gmail.com so she can contact you about cancellations and updates.

**WRJ Walk** - join us on October 7th (rain date October 28th),

2pm for a leisurely hour or so walk at Brookside Gardens with the option of beverage and snack after at Panera Bread, Aspen Hill. Meet at Brookside Gardens, 1800 Glenallan Ave, Wheaton, MD 20902

**Fall Membership Dinner**, October 8th – free for all WRJ members.

**Get out the Vote** - Write postcards to underrepresented voters in important elections for voting rights, reproductive rights, and education. The non-partisan organization Reclaim Our Vote provides the text, and WRJ will provide the postcards, stamps, and addresses. All you need to do is to bring your writing hand! Sunday October 15 from 9:15 to 11:15 am and Tuesday October 17 at 10:30am to 12:30 pm.

**Visit the Capital Jewish Museum**, October. 22 - Join WRJ for a visit to the new museum and elect to visit the RBG exhibit as well.

Havdalah and Israeli Wine Tasting, November 18th 7pm. WRJ is partnering with Laura Naide (Congregational Education), for a lovely service and enjoyable evening learning about and tasting Israeli wines. Israel has over 300 wineries – your host has visited more than 130 of them! Cost is \$25 which includes 6 tastings and snacks. Ages 21+.

**Women's Readers' Salon**, October 29 4pm. Come for great company, a casual potluck meal, and interesting discussion about articles from current publications. It's like a book club but with only 20 minutes of reading!

**Rosh Chodesh**, One Sunday evening a month, members engage in a brief service and a discussion about a specific topic.

Women's Retreat, January 19-21. Join us in Dewey Beach, DE, for a weekend of learning, singing, bonding, and connecting with other TE women. This outing is always a highlight of our year, so mark your calendars now and be on the lookout for information in the fall. New "Retreaters" will be giving \$50 off of the cost of the retreat.

WRJ holds its **Monthly WRJ meetings** on the third Wednesday evening of every month beginning at 7pm. Beginning in October we will hold our meetings in person every other month and on the alternate month, the meeting will be held via Zoom.

Linda Wolpert and Lisa Reff Co-Presidents WRJ

## BETH FLAX RESNICK: MY FAMILY'S JEWISH LEGACY

The challenges of the pandemic have given us all pause and new perspectives on the importance of community. Looking back at my family's engagement with the Temple Emanuel community provides i nspiration and hope for our collective future.

My parents, when first arriving in Maryland in 1969, went "Temple shopping" and quickly selected Temple Emanuel as their Jewish home. Both of my parents were active in the synagogue and my mom, Elayne Flax, became the Temple Educator in the 1970s.

When my father, Michael Flax, died suddenly in 1981, the outpouring of love and support demonstrated the Temple membership's strong commitment to community. My mother designated memorial donations for the Temple's prayer book fund. Soon thereafter, the donations outpaced prayer book needs. Rabbi Adler suggested that my mother use the excess funds to travel to London the Westminster Synagogue in London to bring a Holocaust Torah scroll back to Temple Emanuel. The Torah my mother brought back was rescued from Czechoslovakia and was refurbished for use as part of the Memorial Scrolls Trust program.

So began this Torah's journey at Temple Emanuel as a symbol of the connection of the Temple Emanuel community to the continuation of the Jewish people. Many B'nai Mitzvot at Temple Emanuel, including my three sons and my niece and nephew read from this rescued Torah in declaration of their commitment to Judaism.

My dad's Memorial Fund continued to support community activities over the years, including Temple Emanuel's mitzvah days. Recently it was combined with the Rabbi Leon Adler Memorial Fund to offer funds to community members in need and to support the Congregation. Funds are currently being used to support the design of new Torah covers. As we unveil the torah covers they offer a beautiful reminder of the proud history of and strong future ahead for the Temple Emanuel Community.

**TEMPLE EMANUEL'S ENDOWMENT** (the Warren G. Stone Rabbinic Endowment) was created in honor of Rabbi Stone's Chai (18th) Anniversary. The endowment was established in 2010 to provide enduring financial support to ensure and foster the community's **Core Principles:** Spirituality, Learning and Education and Tikkun Olam "repairing the world"

Because of generous contributions from Temple Members during its foundational years, the Temple's Endowment assembled sufficient resources for ongoing income to the Temple. In 2022 the Endowment began regular payments to the Temple. This endeavor shall now continue for generations.

Today, under the leadership of our Rabbi Adam Rosenwasser, our third Senior rabbi in 70 years, and our professional clergy and staff, the Temple is well positioned to continue its mission to promote Judaism and social awareness within a dynamic and diverse community. The goal of The Temple's Endowment now turns to expanding the financial resources available.

Membership participation is critical to accomplishing this goal. HOW CAN YOU HELP TO ASSURE TEMPLE EMANUEL CONTINUES THIS MISSION? The answer is different for everyone.

Ways to participate:

- · Pledges of Cash or Appreciated Assets
- · Charitable Bequests
- Advance purchase of Garden of Remembrance burial plots through the Temple

No contribution is too small. Only together, can we continue to offer engaging programming to our children, teens, and adults, to inspire connections, to foster a vibrant, dynamic Temple in which we all feel welcome, and to open the Temple Emanuel tent more widely.

To learn more or to discuss how you can help please contact the endowment chair, Bill Epstein, by email **endowment@templeemanuelmd.org** or contact the Temple office (301) 942-2000.

# Fall/Winter 2023-24 B'NEI MITZVAH



ADAM MOIDUDDIN is a seventh grader at Sandy Spring Friends School (SSFS). Adam plays basketball and runs cross country and track at SSFS, and he plays basketball and soccer outside of school. Adam loves creating art and plays piano. For his mitzvah project Adam chose to bake cookies and other foods for local food shelters in Silver Spring. Adam enjoys being with his friends and family and can't wait to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah with them.



BENNY CLAY is a seventh grade student at Silver Creek Middle School. He enjoys playing clarinet, baseball, and basketball. Benny also loves Camp Airy which he considers his summer home. For his Mitzvah project, he organized a 3v3 basketball tournament to raise money for *The Awesome Fund*, the Camp Airy scholarship fund. He is excited to help other kids have the same great experience that he has had at camp.



DARREN DEMARCO is looking forward to becoming a Bar Mitzvah. He is a 7th-grade student at North Bethesda Middle School. Darren is a devoted Eagles fan, and dedicates most of his time outside of school playing sports! He currently plays travel baseball, soccer, and flag football. Darren also enjoys wakeboarding in the summer and snowboarding in winter. When choosing a Bar Mitzvah project, Darren decided to focus on helping others through the organization, Open Door Sports. He spent a week this summer, volunteering at their camp and served as a

buddy for children with special needs. Darren plans to continue volunteering with Open Door Sports! He would like to thank the clergy, Sander, and Dina for helping him prepare for his Bar Mitzvah.



ELI SPENCE is a 7th grader at Earl B. Wood Middle School. This summer he discovered a surprising zeal for amusement parks, and in particular, roller coasters. He enjoys hanging out with his friends, playing basketball, video games, and listening to a wide range of music. He plays percussion in band. For his mitzvah project, Eli cooked and delivered meals to residents of Stepping Stones Shelter in Rockville and will be collecting urgently needed items from guests at his Bar Mitzvah.



HUDSON REGALADO is a 7th grader at Silver Creek Middle School. Hudson plays baseball and is a Nationals fan. Hudson is a competitive fencer with Capital Fencing Academy. Hudson loves playing video games online with his friends and family. Hudson is volunteering with A Wider Circle for his mitzvah project. He believes in their mission of advancing equity through the exchange of goods, skills and connections. Hudson is thankful and excited to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah with his family and friends.



RUBY LERMAN is a 7th grader at Silver Creek Middle School. An avid reader and collector of flags and world geography facts, Ruby also enjoys playing soccer, tennis, and ultimate frisbee. For her Mitzvah Project,

Ruby has chosen to share her love of reading and fact gathering, plus her sweet tooth, by staging a series of bake sales, where "bring a book, take a treat" is encouraged! Ruby will be donating books and proceeds to The Maryland Book Bank (https://www.mdbookbank.org/), a local nonprofit organization that collects and distributes books to under-resourced children, teachers, caregivers, and families in our community. In celebration of her bat mitzvah, Ruby and her family will be traveling to Japan in 2024.



MIRIAM CHAIT is a 7th grader at North Bethesda Middle School. Miriam plays soccer during the school year and enjoys spending her summers at sleepover camp. She loves to travel and is always up for an

adventure. For her mitzvah project, Miriam chose to work with shelter animals and help socialize them before they are adopted by families. She can't wait to celebrate her Bat Mitzvah with family and friends.



TOMMY WINNICK is a 7th grader at Silver Spring International Middle School, where his favorite subjects are P.E. and Art. Outside of school, Tommy enjoys swimming and basketball.

For his mitzvah project, Tommy chose to lead several trash clean-ups of local playgrounds, parks, and hiking trails. He and his sister have participated in the annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service for several years, and park cleanup was always the volunteer service they chose. Tommy is looking forward to showing his family and friends what he has learned while studying for his Bar Mitzvah.

## **MEMBER UPDATES**

#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Rachel Aland & Alexander Briggs Jamie & Anthony Bonetti Nicole & Scott Brazier Ilya Chukhman & Zhanna Shubin Anna Collins & Alex Fitts Shelly & Ryan Goldstone Laura & Benjamin Kallen Elizabeth & Jay Leach Max & Paulina Lerman Lee & Rachel Licata James Merrill & Amy Ruddle Sora Newman Bradley & Kathleen Oppenheimer Claire & Leonardo Petry Tamara & Michael Sidorov Daniel Solomon & Alexandra Mushegian Ted & Marilyn Spinadel Lauren & Hamilton Whitney

#### CONDOLENCES

Nancy Marshall-Genzer on the passing of her father, George L. Marshall Jr Deborah Stuart on the passing of her brother, Barry Schneider Amy Turim on the passing of her father, Fred Turim

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# Single Sages

The Single Sages welcome those over 60. We are a vibrant group meeting once a month. Our meetings are in person or on Zoom. We try to have a subject or just a "catch up" of what is going on in our lives. Sometimes a speaker joins us. On three-day weekends, we go to brunch. New members and new ideas are always welcome.

Sue Rudo – suearudo@verizon.net or 301-598-1153

## ART IN HAMAKOM -ANNE SCHLACHTER-DAGAN

Born and raised in Israel, Anne's unique artistic vision stems from a condition called Achromatopsia, which imparts a distinct lens through which she perceives the world. She is color-blind, extremely sensitive to

light, and her vision is poor. Yet, despite her visual challenges, she possesses an uncanny ability to see what truly matters.

Working predominantly in black and white, Anne carefully introduces one or two select colors, adding depth and nuance to her pieces. Through her art, she strives to shed light on the experience of individuals who perceive the world differently, offering a profound message of overcoming limitations.

We are always seeking referrals to artists interested in displaying their work. To refer an artist, please email Jennifer Freedman at mrsjfreedman@gmail.com.



# October 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Sukkot 8:30am – Bagel Table 8:30am – Kol Ruach 9:00am – Religious/Hebrew School	Sukkot 6:30pm – Mah Jongg	Sukkot 5:00pm - Hebrew School - Virtual 5:30pm - Upper School/Hebrew School Dinner and Class 7:30pm - Etrog- Cello making 7:30pm - KESTY bonfire 7:30pm - Kol Zimrah	Sukkot 2:00pm - Creative Crafts & Conversation 7:30pm - Brotherhood Meeting	Sukkot Noon - Rabbi's Class 7pm - Executive Committee	Sukkot 9:00am - Coffee with Clergy 9:30am - Ta'am Shel Shabbat 9:30am - Nitzanim Class 6:30pm - Simchat Torah with the Band	Simchat Torah 10:00am – Simchat Torah Community Service at Temple Sinai
8:30am - Bagel Table 8:30am - Kol Ruach 9:00am - Religious/ Hebrew School 9:30am - Global Mitzvah/ Brotherhood Brunch 4:00pm - Interfaith Hoppy Hour 5:00pm - WRJ Membership Dinner 7:00pm - KESTY Board	6:30pm - Mah Jongg 7:00pm - CSAC	10 5:00pm - Hebrew School - Virtual 5:30pm - Upper School/Hebrew School Dinner and Class 7:30pm - Kol Zimrah	11 7:30pm – Haberman Book Panel	Noon - Snir Holtzman's class 1:30pm - Play Reading 5:30pm - Brotherhood Happy Hour	9:30am – Ta'am Shel Shabbat 7:30pm – Shabbat Service	9:00am - Torah Study 10:00am - Simchat Shabbat with Kindergarten and Consecration 3:00pm - Hiking and Hops
8:30am - Bagel Table 8:30am - Kol Ruach 9:00am - Religious/ Hebrew School 9:15am - Get out the Vote postcard signing Noon - Global Mitzvah	16 6:30pm – Mah Jongg	10:30am - Get out the Vote postcard signing 5:00pm - Hebrew School - Virtual 5:30pm - Upper School/Hebrew School Dinner and Class 7:00pm - Finance Committee 7:30pm - Kol Zimrah	18 2:00pm - Creative Crafts & Conversation 7:00pm - WRJ Meeting	Noon - Rabbi's Class 7:00pm - Board of Trustees	9:30am - Ta'am Shel Shabbat 9:30am - Nitzanim 6:30pm - Shabbat Service with guest speaker Madison DeMarco	9:00am – Torah Study 10:00am – Shabbat Service and B'nei Mitzvah of Eli Spence & Thomas Winnick
8:30am - Bagel Table 8:30am - Kol Ruach 9:00am - Religious/Hebrew School 1:00pm - Board Retreat	23 6:30pm – Mah Jongg	24 5:00pm - Hebrew School - Virtual 5:30pm - Upper School Dinner and Class 7:30pm - Kol Zimrah	25 7:00pm – ECC Parent Learning Night	26 Noon - Snir Holtzman's Class 1:30pm - Play Reading	9:30am - Ta'am Shel Shabbat 5:30pm - Tot Shabbat 7:30pm - Shabbat Service with Kol Zimrah	9:00am - Torah Study 10:00am - Shalom Shabbat
29 8:30am - Bagel Table 8:30am - Kol Ruach 9:00am - Religious/ Hebrew School 4:00pm - WRJ Readers' Salon	30 6:30pm – Mah Jongg	31 7:30pm - Kol Zimrah			ל קורא <sup>1</sup>	א / קוֹר / kol kore   12

# November 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
			2:00pm - Creative Crafts & Conversation 7:30pm - Brotherhood Board Meeting	Noon - Rabbi's class 7:00pm - Executive Committee 7:00pm - Band Rehearsal	9:00am - Coffee with Clergy 9:30am - Ta'am Shel Shabbat 9:30am - Nitzanim 6:30pm - Shabbat Service with the Band	9:00am - Torah Study 10:00am - Shabbat Service and B'nei Mitzvah of Benjamin Clay & Ruby Lerman
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
8:30am - Bagel Table 8:30am - Kol Ruach 9:00am - Religious/Hebrew School 3:00pm - ECC Fall Festival	6:30pm – Mah Jongg	5:00pm - Hebrew School - Virtual 5:30pm - Upper School/Hebrew School Dinner and Class 7:30pm - Kol Zimrah 7:30pm - KESTY Lounge Night		1:30pm – Play reading	9:30am – Ta'am Shel Shabbat 7:30pm – Shabbat Service with guest speaker Lilly Maier and a blessing for Veterans	9:00am – Torah Study 10:00am – Simchat Shabbat with Grade 1 4:00pm – Interfaith Hoppy Hour
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
8:30am - Bagel Table 8:30am - Kol Ruach 9:00am - Religious/ Hebrew School 11:30am - kesty 345/ kestyj/kesty Katan Noon - Jewish Book Month Program 7:00pm - KESTY Board		5:00pm - Hebrew School - Virtual 5:30pm - Upper School/Hebrew School Dinner and Class 7:00pm - Building & Grounds 7:30pm - Kol Zimrah 7:30pm - KESTY Lounge Night	2:00pm – Creative Crafts & Conversation	Noon – Rabbi's Class 7:00pm – Board of Trustees	9:30am – Ta'am Shel Shabbat 9:30am – Nitzanim 5:30pm – Tot Shabbat 6:30pm – Global Mitzvah Shabbat 7:30pm – Global Mitzvah Shabbat Dinner	9:00am – Torah Study 10:00am – Shabbat Service and Bar Mitzvah of Hudson Regalado 7:00pm – Havdalah & Israeli Wine Tasting
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
8:30am - Bagel Table 8:30am - Kol Ruach 9:00am - Religious/ Hebrew School Noon - Global Mitzvah	6:30pm – Mah Jongg	5:00pm - Hebrew School - Virtual 5:30pm - Upper School/Hebrew School Dinner and Class 7:00pm - Finance Committee 7:30pm - Interfaith Thanksgiving Service	Building Closed	Building Closed	Building Closed 7:30pm – Shabbat Service/Virtual	Building Closed
26	27	28	29	30		
Building Closed	6:30pm – Mah Jongg	5:00pm - Hebrew School - Virtual 5:30pm - Upper School/Hebrew School Dinner and Class 7:30pm - Kol Zimrah		Noon – Rabbi's Class 7:00pm – Band Rehearsal		

# December 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					World AIDS Day 9:00am – Coffee with the Clergy 9:30am – Ta'am Shel Shabbat 9:30am – Nitzanim 6:30pm – Shabbat Service with guest speaker Lynne Mofenson and the Band	9:00am – Torah Study 10:00am – Shabba Service and Bar Mitzvah of Adam Moiduddin
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8:30am - Bagel Table 8:30am - Kol Ruach 9:00am - Religious/Hebrew School 5:00pm - Israel Trip Info Session	6:30pm – Mah Jongg	5:00pm - Hebrew School - Virtual 5:30pm - Upper School/Hebrew School Dinner and Class 7:30pm - Kol Zimrah 7:30pm - KESTY Lounge Night	2:00pm – Creative Crafts & Conversation 6:30pm – Brotherhood Meeting	Hanukkah Noon – Snir Holtzman's Class 1:30pm – Play Reading 7:00pm – Executive Committee	Hanukkah 9:30am – Ta'am Shel Shabbat 6:30pm – Shabbat Hanukkah Service	Hanukkah 9:00am - Torah Study 10:00am - Simchat Shabbat with Grade 2 KESTY lock in
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Hanukkah 8:30am – Bagel Table 8:30am – Kol Ruach 9:00am – Religious/Hebrew School	6:30pm – Mah Jongg 7:00pm – CSAC	Hanukkah 5:00pm - Hebrew School - Virtual 5:30pm - Upper School/Hebrew School Dinner and Class 7:00pm - Building & Grounds 7:30pm - Kol Zimrah	Hanukkah 6:00pm - ECC Hanukkah Program	Hanukkah Noon – Rabbi's Class	9:30am – Ta'am Shel Shabbat 9:30am – Nitzanim 6:30pm – Shabbat Service	9:00am – Torah Study 10:00am – Shabbat Service and B'nei Mitzvah of Miriam Chait & Darren DeMarco
<b>17</b>	18	19	20	21	22	23
8:30am - Bagel Table 8:30am - Kol Ruach 9:00am - Religious/Hebrew School 11:30am - kesty 345/kestyj/kesty Katan 7:00pm - KESTY Board	6:30pm – Mah Jongg	7:00pm – Finance Committee 7:30pm – Kol Zimrah	2:00pm – Creative Crafts & Conversation 7:00pm – WRJ Monthly Meeting	1:30pm – Play Reading 7:00pm – Board of Trustees	9:30am - Ta'am Shel Shabbat 5:30pm - Tot Shabbat 7:30pm - Shabbat Service	9:00am – Torah Study 10:00am – Shalom Shabbat
<b>24</b> Building Closed	25 Building Closed	26 Building Closed	27 Building Closed	28 Building Closed	29 Building Closed 6:30pm – Shabbat Service Virtual Only	30 Building Closed 9:00am - Torah Study
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### GLOBAL MITZVAH: A MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION

## GLOBAL MITZVAH AND BROTHERHOOD TO FEATURE AN EXCITING STUDENT MENTORSHIP PROGRAM BRUNCH

On Sunday, October 8, 9:30-11:30 a.m., students and their mentors completing the 2023 Temple Emanuel Student Mentorship Program (TESMP) will be honored at a special brunch program. TESMPs stated purpose is to activate teen experiential learning and service towards realizing the Jewish commitment to tikkun olam. Founded by the Global Mitzvah Project and The



Brotherhood, TESMP offers a unique opportunity for service learning in exemplary local social justice organizations. With direct supervision from outstanding professionals, TE secondary students (8th-12th grade) experience 10-12 weeks during February-Spring terms helping to advance a social justice advocacy goal (https://rac.org/advocacy-activism/advocacy-issues)

Hear the students and mentors share their experiences and views on personal and possible career impacts of the mentorship. All congregants are welcome to attend. Students will be awarded a Certificate of Completion and gift book. The brunch is \$10 per person.

#### **2023 TESMP Students and Mentors**

Lianna Meklir – 11th grade, Richard Montgomery HS, with David Greeley, CEO, American International Health Alliance
Anna Bryan-Taff - 10th grade, Springbrook HS, with Susan Minushkin, Sr. Program Director, Panagora Group

Jesse Levine – 9th grade, B-CC HS, with Caroline DeWaal, Deputy Director, Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition, Eat Safe

Vera Samuels - 8th grade, Eastern Middle School, with Elizabeth Tully, Assoc. Director, Climate Adaptation Fund

TESMP IS LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL MENTORS AND MENTORSHIP PLACEMENTS. Please contact stanfagen@gmail.com

if you are interested in being a mentor, or can recommend a temple member working for a social justice organization.

Information and applications for the 2024 Mentorship Program will be sent to families with 8 th -12th grade students in

January, 2024.

## Do you have ideas for our next Global Mitzvah Project?

All congregants (adults and students) are invited to propose new projects. Please contact co-chairs Stan Fagen (stanfagen@gmail.com) or Caroline Smith DeWaal (dewaalcaroline@gmail.com to discuss your idea.

## MORE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

## CELEBRATE SUKKOT BY MAKING YOUR OWN ETROGCELLO October 3, 7:30-9:00pm

A spin on the Italian classic drink limoncello. Taught by Abraham Belilty, an Israeli shaliach with his own fascinating story, you will go home with a jar of citrusy goodness! Ages 21+. There will be a nonalcoholic beverage option. \$25

## PANEL DISCUSSION: THE SACRED EARTH, JEWISH PERSPECTIVES ON OUR PLANET

#### Wednesday October 11, 7:30-9:00pm

Recently published by CCAR Press, this book is a contemporary Jewish response to the looming threat of climate change, experiential spirituality rooted in nature, and the continually changing relationship between humanity, nature, technology, and the Divine. Contributing authors include Rabbi Warren Stone, Temple Emanuel Rabbi Emeritus, and congregant De Herman. This discussion is co-sponsored by the Haberman Institute for Jewish Studies. Books will be available to purchase.

#### THE JEWS OF MOROCCO—November 9

Rabbi Mark Levine, Temple Emanuel's former Director of Congregational Learning, will share how Jews have been an integral part of Moroccan culture for 2,000 years, contributing to the economic wellbeing, artistic landscape, and literary heritage of the country.

# ISRAELI WINE TASTING WITH STEVE KERBEL November 18, 7-8:30pm

Enjoy a relaxing and informative evening tasting Israeli wines and learn about the history and development of Israel's ancient wine history and modern wine culture success. Israel has over 300 wineries – your host has visited more than 130 of them! Cost is \$25 which includes 6 tastings and snacks. Ages 21+. There will be a nonalcoholic alternative beverage option. Presented in partnership with WRJ.

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# FAMILY RETREAT AT GREAT WOLF LODGE

A-wooo! Spend a Shabbat weekend with your Temple Emanuel community from March 1-2, 2024 at the Great Wolf Lodge in Perryville, Maryland. Enjoy challah and waterslides, candles and cupcakes, wave pools and pizza! This event is open to all congregants, ages babies to bubbies. You will enjoy two days at the waterpark (early release from Montgomery County Public School on March 1!), two meals, and Shabbat services and activities with your Temple Emanuel community.



The cost is \$600 for four people sharing a room, which includes your room + taxes, water park passes, Shabbat dinner on Friday, and Saturday breakfast. We will join for Kabbalat Shabbat services on Friday night and a Shabbat activity on Saturday morning. Plus, add to your Shabbat joy at the bar with Rabbi Adam on Friday night. You can add children to your room (up to six people (total) for \$50 per child. Your RSVP and payment is due no later than November 1, 2023. Contact RoxAnne Seth-Malone, Religious School Coordinator at roxanne@templeemanuelmd.org for more information.