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The Newsletter of Temple Emanuel Kensington, Maryland

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



FRIDAY NOVEMBER 1 AT 6:30PM

**Allison Tombros Korman,
Founder & Executive Director
of The Red Tent Fund**

will give the d'var torah.

The Red Tent Fund founded in 2024, is a nonprofit abortion fund rooted in the Jewish values and teachings that affirm the right to abortion.



FRIDAY NOVEMBER 15 AT 6:30PM

**Temple Emanuel member,
Dr. Ellen Schaefer-Salins,
Associate Professor of Social Work and Advisor
to the Deaf Studies Minor and Disabilities Studies
Minorat Salisbury University**

will give the d'var torah.

Dr. Schaefer-Salins will speak about her work with the deaf and hard of hearing community along with microaggressions that they and many other groups face.

from the Rabbi



In August, I flew to Cape Town, South Africa to participate in the 34th Nahum Goldmann Fellowship. The annual gathering is sponsored by the Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, an organization founded in the aftermath of World War Two which is dedicated to regenerating and sustaining the global Jewish community through academia, the arts, and beyond. The Fellowship brought together about 30 participants from every corner of the Jewish world; Argentina, Australia, Finland, Israel, the USA, Germany, South Africa, and more. We were a diverse group of participants- some of us secular, others reform or progressive, and several who identified as Orthodox. A few of us were rabbis but most of the participants came from the business or non-profit sectors and many were lay leaders or volunteers in their local Jewish communities. We spent the week together learning from each other and an incredibly diverse faculty consisting of scholars and Jewish communal professionals from many different spheres. The theme of our learning was "Authenticity, Courage, and Belonging: New Paradigms for the Jewish Communal Future." Much of the week focused on how we are coping in Israel and the diaspora with the new reality of the Jewish people post October 7th. Highlights for me included a lecture on how to understand and create new definitions of Zionism, Israeli cultural responses to October 7th, and an intimate seminar on what does it mean to be the Chosen People yesterday and today. Overall, my takeaway from my week in South Africa was that even though these are difficult and scary times, we can gather strength from one another and that we are not alone. On the final morning of the seminar, we had just learned about the 6 hostages who had been murdered by Hamas including Hersh Goldberg-Polin, whose parents Rachel and Jon I had met this past November in Jerusalem. We came together in our anger and horror to cry and mourn, but we also held each other, we sang songs of hope and peace, and I left the seminar feeling sad but motivated to keep striving for light and truth in a world of darkness and pain. I look forward to sharing what I learned with all of you over the coming months, and I urge you to continue to reach out to your own Jewish friends and networks locally and globally to share best practices, to offer support, and to remind yourself that even though our tribe has been spread across the four corners of the earth, there is so much that continues to unite us. Despite our differences, there is much that can bring us together.

Rabbi Adam Rosenwasser



Rabbi Adam (3rd from right) with the other participants and faculty at the Nahum Goldmann Fellowship in Stellenbosch, South Africa, August 2024.

from the Cantor

Chevre:

Fall is a time of transition. The weather cools and the leaves begin to change color, eventually withering and falling to the ground beneath. It will turn colder yet, snow will fall, and the ground will solidify with frost. The chill will permeate our bones, the darkened, short days feeling arduous and oppressive. Then, one day, it will become slightly warmer, and warmer still, as the trees begin their regrowth.

To me, fall is a symbol of change, a reminder that we are constantly moving in a cycle, that the world is always evolving, be it ever so slowly. In the realm of Judaism, this is my favorite time of year, as each of my senses awakens. My eyes take in the beautiful sight of a bustling sanctuary, filled to the brim with congregants gathering together in search of meaning and community during our holiest of days. My ears are filled with the voices of our glorious Kol Zimrah choir, mournful and majestic melodies that have been sung for generations, and the shofar, whose strident cry acts as an alarm clark, awakening our souls. My tongue tastes the sticky sweetness of honey on Rosh Hashanah, the glorious crunch of kugel and a toasted bagel at the Yom Kippur Break Fast. My nose smells brisket and matzah ball soup, the aroma of Jewish holidays. My hands feel the crisp parchment and the heavy weight of the silver yad as I chant Torah on Yom Kippur. These experiences are the essence of the High Holy Days, and I couldn't be more excited for them.

I invite you to join me in an array of inspiring, meaningful events throughout the fall season. The Kol Zimrah Choir and Kol Ruach Jr Choir will be joining me on the bimah throughout the High Holy Days. The Mizmor L'Shabbat band will enliven our Simchat Torah celebration. Students and parents will join in song and spirit at Family Minyan, B'nei Mitzvah, Simchat Shabbat, and Tot Shabbat services. The local interfaith community will join together in prayer and in song for our annual Thanksgiving Service.

As my final year at Temple Emanuel unfolds, I invite you to join me in creating lasting memories, as we continue this journey together. This season is filled with opportunities to connect, celebrate, and reflect together, and I would love to share these moments with you.

L'Shalom,
Cantor Lindsay Kanter

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from the President



As autumn arrives and the air turns crisp, we find ourselves once again approaching the Jewish holiday season. This time of year always fills me with a sense of anticipation and reflection – a feeling I'm sure many of you share.

The High Holy Days, with Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur at their core, are our annual invitation to renewal. We're called to examine our lives, seek forgiveness, and commit ourselves to personal growth in the year ahead. This process of renewal, however, isn't meant to be a solitary journey. It's deeply intertwined with our sense of community.

With the High Holy Days coming later this year, our Temple is already in full swing with fall activities. The well-received Roots programming in September gave us a valuable opportunity as a congregation to listen and discuss the situation in Israel. It's through events like these that we strengthen our bonds and tackle important issues together.

When we gather in our sanctuary for services, share meals with family and friends, or hear the sound of the shofar echoing through our congregation, we're reminded that we're part of something larger than ourselves. Our individual journeys of renewal are supported and enriched by the community that surrounds us.

This year, our Temple is embracing the spirit of communal renewal with a variety of engaging programs and events. The Brotherhood and WRJ have planned an Israeli movie night and speaker brunches throughout the year. The Brotherhood will also host bowling and Top Golf evenings, a live music night, and their annual poker tournament in the spring. This month, we're excited to start new adult B'nei mitzvah classes, celebrate Sukkot under the Stars, and enjoy the TEECC fall festival. There are so many ways to get involved and connect with our Temple community.

As we move into this season of reflection and renewal, I encourage each of you to consider how you might deepen your connection to our Temple family. Whether it's attending a new class, volunteering for a social action project, or simply reaching out to a fellow member you don't know well, every action strengthens the bonds between us.

Looking ahead, I'm filled with hope for our community. The challenges of the past year have shown us the depth of our resilience and the strength we draw from one another. As we enter 5785, let's carry forward that spirit of mutual support and shared purpose.

L'Shanah Tovah U'metukah – wishing you all a good and sweet new year.

Andrew Stavisky



Cultural Arts Series

Do you love theater? Our region has some wonderful regional production companies that put on excellent plays and musicals, many with Jewish themes. Join Rabbi Adam and his husband, Shalom Rosenberg, for 4 shows during the course of the year. Come to 1, 2 or all 4! Here's how it works: You purchase tickets to the show(s) you want to see and RSVP here: <https://temd.shulcloud.com/form/CulturalArtSeries>

When the show gets closer, you'll be contacted with details about where to meet beforehand to shmooze and to receive a briefing of the show by Shalom. Then, the Tuesday after the show, join us at noon at Temple Emanuel for a lunch and learn where we will process and discuss the show together.

- Here's the lineup:
- Prayer for the French Republic, Theater J, Sunday, 11/24 7pm
Lunch and Learn *12/3 12-1pm (a week later due to the Thanksgiving holiday)
 - Leopoldstadt, Shakespeare Theater Company, Sunday, 12/8 7:30pm
Lunch and Learn 12/10 12-1pm
 - The Bedwetter, Arena Stage, Sunday, March 9th 7:30pm
Lunch and Learn 3/11 12-1pm
 - Falsettos, Keegan Theater, Sunday, May 11th 3pm
Lunch and Learn 5/13 12-1pm

from the Director of Congregational Learning



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL: EMBRACING A NEW SEASON OF LEARNING AND COMMUNITY

As we transition from a record-breaking summer to the anticipated cooler days of Fall, we welcome the return to our cherished routines. This season brings the opportunity to reconnect with friends, to return to learning, and to embrace the rhythm of the Jewish year as we celebrate core holidays—Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, and Simchat Torah. While the freedom of summer is sweet, there is a deep comfort in the structure of community life, especially here at Temple Emanuel and within our Religious School.

Our Religious School is built on three foundational Jewish values: *Limmud* (Learning), *Kehilla* (Community), and *Ruach* (Spirit/Identity). These values are intertwined, each playing an essential role in enriching our students' experiences. Our dedicated staff delivers *Limmud* through dynamic lessons and projects, while our youth groups bring *Ruach* to life with engaging activities. *Kehilla*, however, is a collective effort—it flourishes through the active participation of staff, families, and students alike, creating a community where everyone feels welcomed and valued.

This summer, I had the privilege of participating in an online community led by Gather, Inc., which focuses on Relationship-Based Engagement (RBE). Gather is a leader in the field of relational engagement, empowering individuals to craft their own meaningful Jewish journeys. RBE is more than just a strategy; it's about nurturing connections, fostering trust, and building a community where each person's unique gifts and aspirations are recognized and celebrated.

This year, I am excited to bring tools and insights from Gather into our Religious School as we work to strengthen *Kehilla* both within our school and throughout the Temple Emanuel community. My immediate goal is to deepen the sense of connection among our Religious School families and students. To achieve this, I will collaborate closely with Temple staff, our Director of Learning Inclusion, and the Board of Education. Together, we will create opportunities for meaningful interactions, ensuring that everyone feels engaged and supported. Central to this effort is our new Kehilla Coordinator, who will play a pivotal role in advancing this vision.

Looking ahead, my ultimate goal is to shift our educational programming from a transactional model—where services are offered in exchange for participation—to a relationship-based model. In this new approach, the focus is on building meaningful connections that support each person's unique Jewish journey, fostering a community where everyone is personally invested in one another's growth and success.

This year, we are introducing several key initiatives designed to strengthen our community:

- * Family Education Days for each grade, K-7.
- * Family Overnight Programs for Grades 4, 5, and 6.
- * Grade-Level Social Events supported by our Kehilla Coordinator.
- * BOE Coffee Walks to encourage informal connections.
- * Inclusion Discussion Groups to ensure all voices are heard.
- * Monthly Simchat Shabbat Services to celebrate together.
- * Holiday Observances and Celebrations that unite us as a community.

My vision for *Kehilla* extends beyond the walls of the Religious School—I encourage all congregants to join us in our celebrations and services. Together, we can build a joyful, supportive community that nurtures our students and helps them develop their unique Jewish identities.

ADULT LEARNING: ENRICHING JEWISH LIFE

This Fall, we are pleased to offer a variety of Adult Learning opportunities.

Rabbi Adam will continue his twice-monthly class on Thursdays from 12pm-1pm.

Additionally, Rabbi Adam and Dina Korman will launch a new cohort of adult B'nei Mitzvah students. If you're interested in deepening your Jewish education, please join us for an informational session on October 20. See details on page 11.

Stay tuned to our weekly Grapevine emails for more opportunities to learn and engage at Temple Emanuel.

from the Shaliach/Director of Youth Engagement



Shalom everyone!

It's so good to be back! After a meaningful summer (actually, winter) in Australia, working and learning from the Jewish community there, I'm so glad to be back at my second home, Temple Emanuel, for one more amazing year!

A GIANT Yasher Koach to our KESTY teens for leading such incredible Rosh HaShanah Family Service, but wait, the KESTY train doesn't stop there - join us for the KESTY-led Yom Kippur Family Service on 10/12 at 2:30pm and also please join us for our Annual KESTY Opening Bonfire on 11/12 at 7:30pm! The full schedule of events can be found on our website: www.templeemanuelmd.org/community/youth-programs/KESTY/

We're also very excited to start the Young KESTY year of programming, with our amazing advisors (and Religious School Teachers) - Marissa, Kat and Miriam! Join us for the first KESTY Katan, 345 and J event on 10/27 right after Religious School!

Lastly, this time of the year comes with a lot of mixed feelings. This time of year marks a year since the terrible terror attack on Israel. In this year, we showed the world what Jewish resilience is really about, we showed that love is much stronger than hate, we showed the world that Am Israel Chai (the people of Israel live)!

from the KESTY President

Hello everyone! My name is Anna Bryan-Taff and I am so excited to announce that I am your next KESTY president! KESTY has a very special place in my heart. I joined it my freshman year, just after I had finished my bat mitzvah (late because of covid). I was one of three Jewish students in my entire school and was feeling very isolated from the community. KESTY gave me that connection back. It not only fostered friendships that I still hold dear to this day, it also helped me grow back my love for my religion. KESTY allowed me to flourish, acquiring leadership, creativity, and programming skills I did not think myself capable of before. It inspired me to step up, not just at Temple Emanuel, but at my school and in my personal life too. KESTY, though, holds so

There's still a lot of rebuilding to do, we're still dusting off the ashes and waiting for better days, days of peace, days of no more war, but most importantly - days where all hostages, savagely kidnapped from their houses - will be back home with their families and loved ones. During the month of October, we will engage in different activities and conversations to commemorate this day, now becoming an official day of remembrance in Israel.

Also in October I will put up a special exhibition in HaMakom, called "Here Comes the Sun - The Gaza Envelope Looks Ahead with Hope". This exhibit will feature photographs taken by Israeli photographs of the Gaza Envelope and its people the days following 10/7. This special look into Israel shows resilience, pride, sometimes miracles, but mainly - hope.

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With love,
And hope,
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much more than just room for leadership potential. In the face of a world that can feel increasingly anti-communal, KESTY provides a space for Jewish youth to just be together, something incredibly important in our present day. Beyond that KESTY simply provides a place for friendship, one without obligations.

All this to say, I am beyond thrilled for a new KESTY year and all the events to come. My main goals as president are to increase membership and to, as always, ensure the quality of our time together. I am looking forward to what this year of KESTY will bring and all the friendships, new and old, to come. Anna Bryan-Taff

Upcoming Events for Children and Young Families

TEMPLE EMANUEL EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Temple Emanuel's Early Childhood Center (TEECC) has limited enrollment spots remaining in our transitional toddler and Pre-K cohorts. 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, dana@templemanuelmd.org or call (301) 942-2000.

Our learning and pedagogical practices are inspired by the Reggio Emilia approach and our Reform Jewish values. At TEECC our goal is to foster a spirit of community where children, parents, and educators feel a strong sense of partnership and belonging. By building strong relationships within our community we believe children are given the support they need to explore, create and research theories about the world around them; to learn and develop in joyful and meaningful ways.

NEW! Both full and half-day contract options available for some ages.

FALL FESTIVAL—Sunday October 27 at 3pm

For current and prospective TEECC Families

Enjoy the crisp Fall weather on Gan Emanuel during our annual TEECC Fall Festival! Join our community for an afternoon of games, face painting, crafts, and more!

Registration required for non current TEECC families:

temd.shulcloud.com/form/FallFestival

PAJAMA HAVDALAH—Saturday November 16, 6:30 pm

Join Cantor Lindsay to mark the end of Shabbat by lighting the traditional braided candle, sipping juice, and sharing songs and stories. Our event will be truly "magical" with a performance by Drew Blue Shoes. Snacks will be served. Pajama Havdalah is most appropriate for families with children ages 0-7, but everyone is welcome, members and non-members. Registration information to come!

SERVICES FOR FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

High Holy Days

Morning services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur and Tashlich at nearby Kensington Cabin Park, RSVP requested

We have found the following events to be very children-friendly:

Wednesday October 16 at 5:30pm: Pizza in the Hut, followed by service at 6:30. RSVP required

Friday October 18 at 6:30pm: Sukkot Under the Stars Service

Saturday October 19 at 3pm : Open House at Rabbi Adam's for TE Members RSVP required

Wednesday October 23 at 6:30pm: Simchat Torah Service and Festive Oneg

RSVP links and details for all High Holy Days events at: www.templemanuelmd.org/worship/high-holy-days-5785-2024/



TOT SHABBAT

Friday November 8 at 5:30 pm

Join us for Tot Shabbat with Rabbi Adam and Cantor Lindsay to welcome Shabbat with songs and stories in an engaging 30 minute service. Designed for children under age 6 but siblings are welcome. We will play instruments, hear songs and stories, and share important Shabbat time.

SIMCHAT SHABBAT

Saturday November 9 & Saturday December 14 at 10am

Religious School students help lead the liturgy in this fun and engaging service, followed by a light lunch. We welcome our Kindergarten students with Consecration in November, and in December our third graders participate. December is also Camp Shabbat where representatives from Jewish camps will attend with more information available about their programs over lunch.



STAY INFORMED - EMAIL UPDATES

Temple Emanuel sends newsletters specifically highlighting our events for families with young (under 6) and elementary-aged children. Sign up at <http://eepurl.com/iaS2gH> or contact office@templemanuelmd.org to be added

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

Any person identifying as female, and who is committed to the goals and objectives of Temple Emanuel WRJ, its Congregation, and the Jewish community is eligible for membership. 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 July 5th. You can catch them again on October 4th.

OTHER UPCOMING ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

Get out the Vote. WRJ, in conjunction with Brotherhood, and the Community Social Action Committee—through the nonpartisan organization Religious Action Center (RAC)—hosts Postcard Writing parties this fall. Postcards, addresses, and scripts provided. Stamps available for \$11. Bring your writing hand! This November, voters decide who controls the White House, Senate, and House of Representatives. Watch the Grapevine for dates. Questions or want to pick up a package to complete at home? Please contact: erstarobin@gmail.com or shames1217@gmail.com



Yom Kippur Gift of Life Marrow Registry Drive. On Yom Kippur we will host a drive for the Gift of Life Marrow Registry. To be eligible donors must be between 18 and 60 and in good health. There is a suggested donation of \$60 to be made after the holiday. A cheek swab will be taken. Volunteers available 8:30-10am at the Kensington Cabin Park family service at Temple Emanuel and after the Main Service, approximately 12:30-4pm. More details on the High Holy Days website.

Sunday afternoon Mah Jong. We have switched our Mah Jong day to Sunday afternoons. Open to all WRJ and Brotherhood members. Other Temple members can come twice to give it a try. Bring your Maj card and Maj set. Watch Grapevine for dates.

The **Bagel Table** returns on Sunday mornings 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 meet other volunteers – or stop by for breakfast - even if you don't have children in the Religious School. Sign up to volunteer: www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4DA9AE28A1F94-50762220-bagel

Creative Crafts, first and third Wednesday monthly, 2pm. Join others to do your favorite craft at 2pm - men welcome. Please contact Esther Starobin at erstarobin@gmail.com to be notified of cancellations and updates.

KindSoups - join WRJ on Zoom on Sunday evenings to make soup for your family and to donate. Watch Grapevine for dates and recipes. For more information: dokindworks.org/get-involved/kindsoup/

Fall Membership Dinner, October 20th – free for all WRJ members. Watch for registration information.

Israeli Movie Night - November 9th at 7:30pm. WRJ is partnering with Laura Naide, our Director of Congregational Learning, and Snir Holtzman, our Director of Youth Engagement and Shaliach. Join us for *The Wedding Plan* (2016) (rated PG-13). Open to teens and above. www.youtube.com/watch?v=q6bD1BNiCbQ



Women's Readers' Salon. Join us for great company, a casual potluck meal, and interesting discussion about current articles. Like a book club, but with only 20 minutes of reading!

Rosh Chodesh, On a Sunday morning members engage in a brief service and a discussion

Women's Retreat, January 10-12 in Dewey Beach, DE, for a weekend of learning, singing, bonding, and connecting with other TE women. This outing is always a highlight, so mark your calendars and watch for details. New "Retreaters" will be given \$50 off retreat costs..

WRJ meetings held monthly on the third Wednesday at 7pm. Join us and learn more!

Save the Date: **Brunch** with the Word Mavens on February 9th; the **Women's Seder** on March 23rd, and **Karaoke Night** on a Saturday night to be announced.

Lisa Reff and Jennifer Mann Fields
Co-Presidents WRJ



GLOBAL MITZVAH PROJECT

SMALL DONATIONS THAT MADE A BIG DIFFERENCE

TE's GMP is unique in that we fully embrace God's call to heal the world. Almost all FAIN Award programs cited by the Religious Action Center focus social justice efforts on local or domestic goals. (See rac.org/blog/announcing-recipients-2019-irving-j-fain-social-justice-award)

To date, 44 different GMP projects have been supported in 21 countries. Other important distinctions are that (a) we address multiple social needs (e.g. education, health, water, food, peace and security), and (b) our average donations are relatively small—about \$2,000. Here are five examples of how our modest donations made a significant difference to disadvantaged communities.

BRINGING CLEAN WATER TO KOLONYI VILLAGE, UGANDA

Women and children fetched water three times a day from contaminated sources, resulting in widespread water-borne disease. Our \$2,250 donation helped Innovation: Africa install solar panels, a large water tank, and water stations.

CREATING A SCHOOL LIBRARY AT LOS GRANADOS ELEMENTARY, EL SALVADOR

The Association for Educational Development in El Salvador-ADEES partnered with GMP to establish a library for 60 children, pre-K -5th grade. No library existed in the community. GMP donated \$2,500 to provide furniture, equipment, books, and space; Temple Emanuel students and families conducted a book drive, collecting over 1,000 books and games, while raising \$336 in cash.

IMPROVING FOOD SAFETY IN NIGERIAN STREET MARKETS

Student car wash receipts, matched by GMP, funded training for 54 street food vendors at the Central Kebbi market. Training increased skills and knowledge for proper handling, storage and preparation techniques. The \$2,000 contribution also helped the community organization, Association for the Promotion of Food Safety and Improved Nutrition, in cooperation with the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition.

HELPING RESCUE CHILDREN FROM SLAVERY IN GHANA

Lake Volta is a hotspot for child trafficking in the fishing industry. Desperate parents send their children away when they see no viable option to care for them at home, in exchange for up-front payment or acceptance of false promises of earnings. Children are forced to endure 14-hour days of work fishing, with little food, clothing or rest, and are subjected to regular beatings. Global Mitzvah donated \$1,500 to help Free The Slaves rescue these children. FTL wrote: "Temple Emanuel's GMP has made it possible to equip a boat and buy lifejackets so that our front-line activists can rescue children from brutal mistreatment in Ghana's fishing industry."

SUPPORTING ORAL HEALTH CARE IN NEPAL

Jevaia Foundation's Oral Health Care Program began in the mid-2000s when there were no dental services in Nepal. Since that time, Jevaia has developed protocols for infection control, and training of dental technicians to deliver care in government health posts, schools, and community. In 2018, over 75% of children were in urgent need of at least one filling. Today, Jevaia's successful model of oral care is serving 11,800 children in 133 schools. GMP contributed \$2,000 to provide: 1) tablets for clinical documentation and data collection, and 2) desks and chairs for new office staff.

A complete summary of projects can be found in the TE website at www.templeemanuelmd.org/community/volunteer-opportunities/. All are invited to propose new projects.

Stan Fagen, Co-Chair, Global Mitzvah Project

Connect and Engage in the **New Year**

Learn ...

Rabbi Adam's Class Learn over lunch on alternating Thursdays.

Adult B'nei Mitzvah Celebrate this amazing Jewish ritual. Class on Sunday mornings. See more on page 11.

Bible & Brews Join Rabbi Adam and Reverend Joey Heath-Mason, Associate Pastor at St. Paul's United Methodist Church to discuss what role our sacred texts play in our faiths. Sundays October 27 and November 17 at 5pm at Babycat Brewery.

Israel Engagement Brunch

Save the Date for Sunday December 15 at 11:45am

Help ...

Temple Emanuel serves our community and the wider world through initiatives coordinated by different groups with ways to help on a one-time basis for a specific event, from home, or with a group. Learn more about upcoming specific projects and needs on the website here: www.templeemanuelmd.org/volunteer-opportunities-fall-2024/

There are currently opportunities with groups including: Brotherhood, Community Social Action Council (CSAC), Israel Engagement, GMP, Kulanu, Meal of Comfort, Membership, Religious Practices, Tech Committee and WRJ. Several groups at Temple Emanuel are supporting Get out the Vote Postcard Writing events in conjunction with the RAC.

Meal of Comfort Committee provides meals following funerals. They are hosting a potluck lunch on **Sunday, October 6** at noon in Hamakom to learn more. RSVP here: www.signupgenius.com/go/30E084EAEAE2BAB9-50598426-meals#/

If you cannot join the 10/6 lunch but have questions, please contact Bobbi Fishback at fishbackbl@gmail.com or Linda Wolpert at lgwmoose@yahoo.com.

Pray ...

Special Shabbats

Learn more about Shabbat services on the website www.templeemanuelmd.org/worship/shabbat/

Welcome New Members at Shabbat Under the Stars—Friday October 18 6:30pm

Tot Shabbat—Friday November 8 at 5:30

Holidays

High Holy Days

Details on the website: www.templeemanuelmd.org/worship/high-holy-days-5785-2024/

2024 Annual Kensington - North Chevy Chase Ministerium

Community Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 26, 7:30 p.m. Location TBD.

Gather ...

Fall Play Reading continues on Tuesdays at 1:30, 10/10; 10/31; 11/14; and 12/5. Led by TE member Director Laurie Freed
Register here: temd.shulcloud.com/form/TERPSFall2024

Do you want to have fun?

How's about a good laugh?

We can show you a good time!

What good is sitting alone in your room? Come join us as we play

Plays can inspire, be comic or sad

We read, discuss, role play.

You don't have to be old (just bold) You can still join the fold (enroll)

We would love some new members

Try to remember we start on September the 12th in HaMakom at the Temple Plays can inspire you, We only require you.

Israeli Movie Night

Saturday November 9

Join WRJ in partnership with Laura Naide and Snir Holtzman to watch The Wedding Plan (PG-13). Open to teens and above.

TE ECC Fall Festival

Sunday October 27 at 3pm

For current and prospective ECC families. See more details page 7.

Youth Groups

Groups for K-7th grade meet Sundays Oct 27 and Dec 8 at 11:30am

KESTY schedule for older students is here www.templeemanuelmd.org/community/youth-programs/KESTY/

If not currently enrolled in TE Religious School, contact Ruth to register for youth groups ruth@templeemanuelmd.org

Pajama Havdalah

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Coffee with the Clergy

Casual chat with Rabbi Adam and Cantor Lindsay over bagels and coffee. *Fridays November 1 and December 6 at 9am*

Art in Hamakom

Art in HaMakom - October: exhibition entitled "Here Comes the Sun" see more page 6.

Mah Jongg

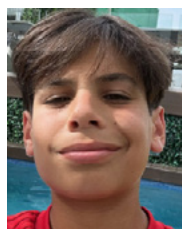
Sundays November 17; 12-2:30 and December 8; 1-3:30

WRJ hosts Mah Jongg! Join a fun and relaxed game. RSVP here: www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4DA9AE28A1F94-51229998-sunday#/

Fall 2024 B'NEI MITZVAH

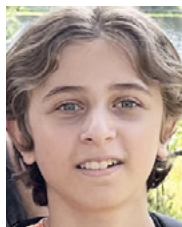


NORAH GREGORY is a 7th grader at North Bethesda Middle School. Norah did a 'Clean, Cozy Animals' project, in which she collected donations for many items needed for the Montgomery County Animal Services & Adoption Center (MCASAC). MSASAC provides high-standard sheltering and care to homeless, abused and neglected animals in our area.



volunteering with ODS as soccer peer-buddy.

RAFAEL "RAFI" MARTIN is a seventh grader at Newport Mill Middle School. He loves soccer and football. He watches a lot of baseball too. He is an avid Orioles, Ravens and Tottenham Hotspur fan. Rafi enjoys being by the water and water slides. Rafi's Mitzvah project is with Open Door Sports (ODS), an organization that provides sports programming for kids and adults with special needs. Rafi's



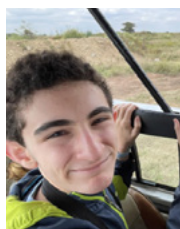
are history and math, and he is excited to celebrate his bar mitzvah this fall with friends and family.

NADAV KARPMAN is a 7th grader at Tilden Middle School where he is an honor roll student. Nadav plays the cello in his school orchestra and plays the electric guitar as a member of two rock bands and a jazz band. Nadav chose to share his love of music by performing in several assisted living communities in this area. Nadav's favorite subjects



been sorting the donations in their warehouse so they can distribute the gear to schools and organizations working to provide an affordable and accessible option to under-resourced youth groups, community programs, and schools. He is excited to share his Bat Mitzvah with his family and friends.

SEAN WEXLER is a 7th grader at North Bethesda Middle School. When Sean is not out on the field with his travel soccer team, he enjoys hanging out with his friends and playing with his dog. For Sean's Mitzvah project, he has been volunteering with Leveling the Playing Field. Leveling the Playing Field collects new and gently used sports and playground equipment from local youth sports communities. Sean has



to being called to the bimah and celebrating his mitzvah with friends and family.

TOBY NASSAR is a 7th grader and Honor Roll student at Odessa Shannon Middle School. He enjoys computer programming, playing video games, reading, writing stories, cartooning, spending time with his friends and family, and nuzzling his two cats, Bug and Olive. For his mitzvah project, Toby chose to create cat toys out of recycled materials to be donated to local cat shelters. He is looking forward

ADULT B'NEI MITZVAH CLASS

The Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class is for anybody 18+ who wants to celebrate this amazing Jewish ritual which for hundreds of years has demonstrated a serious and ongoing commitment to Judaism. That means it is for you no matter your gender, your age, whether you were born Jewish or not, or whether you already celebrated a Bar or Bat Mitzvah as an adolescent or not. The course meets for two hours on Sunday mornings and lasts two years. There is an information session on Sunday October 20th at 9:30 and class starts the following week. Participants must be current members in good standing at Temple Emanuel.

There are no classes in the summer. One hour is spent learning Judaics with Rabbi Adam including and not limited to history, lifecycle, liturgy, and studying your Torah portion and its associated commentaries. The other hour is with our amazing tutor Dina Korman learning how to read and understand Hebrew in preparation for leading the service and reading from Torah Please reach out to Rabbi Adam if you have any questions about the class, and if you are interested in participating, please RSVP temd.shulcloud.com/form/AdultBM or contact the office at 301.942.2000 or office@templemanuelmd.org



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Roger Friedman on the passing of his brother, Richard "Kinky" Friedman
Cantor Lindsay Kanter on the passing of her grandmother, Josephine Sloan
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Suzanne Mintz on the passing of her brother, Jerry Schulman
Stephanie Oshinsky on the passing of her father, Mark Weinstein

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An anonymous donor has made a donation to fund two new initiatives at Temple Emanuel: Youth Programs and Scholarships to assist households with TERS tuition, youth programs, Israel programs, music education, and special TERS programming. Special Needs Inclusion to underwrite our efforts special programming and speakers, upgrades to the building and devices (e.g., hearing devices), fidgets, etc. Applications will be available to members in good standing. If you'd like to discuss accessing any of these funds, please contact Dianne Neiman (dianne@templemanuelmd.org) or Laura Naide (lnaide@templemanuelmd.org).

Seeking
Simchas!

Temple Emanuel wants to celebrate with you! Share your lifecycle events (new children or grandchildren, engagements or weddings). We will share with Rabbi Adam and Cantor Lindsay and in future Temple communications. Contact the office at 301.942.2000 or office@templemanuelmd.org

If you are interested in sponsoring an upcoming Friday night *Prozdor* or *Oneg* in honor of your simcha, please reach out: temd.shulcloud.com/form/OnegSponsorship

October 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Online Hebrew, In-person Hebrew 7:30pm Kol Zimrah Rehearsal	2 Erev Rosh Hashanah ECC and Building Closes at 1pm 7:30pm Erev RH Service (tickets required)	3 Rosh Hashanah	4 Building and ECC Closed 6:30 Shabbat Service	5 9am Torah Study
6 8:30am Bagel Table 8:30am Kol Ruach 9am Religious/Hebrew School (including lunch bunch) 9:30am BOE Coffee Walk 9:30am Postcard Writing 10am Empty Nesters Brunch 11:30am Meals of Comfort Lunch 11:30am Teen Training 5pm Kind Soups Zoom 7pm KESTY Board	7 7pm Community Commemoration at The Anthem	8 Online Hebrew, In-person Hebrew, Upper School Dinner and Class Kol Zimrah Rehearsal	9 7pm Postcard Writing	10 1:30pm Play Reading	11 9:30am Ta'am Shel Shabbat ECC and Building close at 1pm 6:30pm Kol Nidre Service (tickets required)	12 Yom Kippur
13	14	15 Online Hebrew, In-person Hebrew, Upper School Dinner and Class	16 2pm Craft and Conversation 5:30 Pizza in the Hut 6:30pm Sukkot Service	17 ECC and Building Closed 10am Sukkot Festival Service at Temple Shalom	18 9:30am Ta'am Shel Shabbat 6:30pm Sukkot Under the Stars Service	19 9am Torah Study 10am Shabbat Service and B'nei Mitzvah of Toby Nassar and Norah Gregory 3pm Sukkot Open House
20 8:30am Bagel Table 8:30am Kol Ruach 9am Religious/Hebrew School (including lunch bunch) 9:30am Adult B'nei Mitzvah Info Session 5pm WRJ Membership Dinner	21	22 Online Hebrew, In-person Hebrew, Upper School Dinner and Class, Confirmation Kol Zimrah Rehearsal	23 6:30pm Erev Simchat Torah Service	24 10am Simchat Torah Festival Service at TE 7pm Board of Trustees (Zoom only)	25 9:30am Ta'am Shel Shabbat 7:30pm Shabbat Service	26 9am Torah Study 10am Shalom Shabbat
27 8:30am Bagel Table 8:30am Kol Ruach 9am Religious School 9:30am Inclusion Discussion Group 9:30am Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class 11:30am KESTY Katan, 345, Jr 3pm ECC Fall Festival 4pm WRJ Readers Salon 5pm Bible & Brews 7pm KESTY Board	28	29 Online Hebrew, In-person Hebrew, Upper School Dinner and Class, Confirmation Kol Zimrah Rehearsal	30	31 12pm Rabbi Adam's Class 1:30pm Play Reading		

November 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 9am Coffee with the Clergy 9:30am Ta'am Shel Shabbat 6:30pm Shabbat Service with Guest Speaker Allison Korman
						2 9am Torah Study 10am Shabbat Service and Bar Mitzvah of Nadav Karpman
3 5pm Kind Soups - Zoom	4	5 ECC and Building Close at 1pm 7:30pm Kol Zimrah Rehearsal	6 2pm Craft and Conversation 5pm Brotherhood Happy Hour	7 12pm Rabbi Adam's Class	8 9:30am Ta'am Shel Shabbat 5:30pm Tot Shabbat 7:30pm Erev Shabbat Service	9 9am Torah Study 10am Simchat Shabbat with Consecration and Kol Ruach 7pm WRJ Israeli Movie Night
10 8:30am Bagel Table 8:30am Kol Ruach 9am Religious/ Hebrew School (including lunch bunch) 9:30am BOE Coffee Walk 9:30am Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class 11am Rosh Hodesh Zoom 11:30am Teen Training	11	12 Online Hebrew, In-person Hebrew, Upper School Dinner and Class, Confirmation 7:30pm Kol Zimrah Rehearsal 7:30pm KESTY Bonfire	13	14 1:30pm Play Reading	15 9:30am Ta'am Shel Shabbat 6:30pm Erev Shabbat Service with Guest Speaker Dr. Ellen Schaefer-Salins	16 9am Torah Study Pajama Havdalah
17 8:30am Bagel Table 8:30am Kol Ruach 9am Religious / Hebrew School (with lunch bunch) 9:30am Inclusion Discussion Group 9:30am Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class 12pm Mah Jongg 5pm Bible & Brews	18	19 Online Hebrew, In-person Hebrew, Upper School Dinner and Class, Confirmation 7:30pm Kol Zimrah Rehearsal	20 2pm Crafts & Conversation	21 12pm Rabbi Adam's Class 7pm Board of Trustees	22 9:30am Ta'am Shel Shabbat 7:30pm Erev Shabbat Service with Kol Zimrah	23 9am Torah Study 10am Shalom Shabbat
24 8:30am Bagel Table 8:30am Kol Ruach 9am Religious / Hebrew School (with lunch bunch) 9:30am Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class	25	26 7:30pm Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, Location TBD	27 ECC and Building Closed	28 ECC and Building Closed	29 ECC and Building Closed 6:30pm Erev Shabbat Service	30 Building Closed 9am Torah Study

December 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Building Closed 5pm Klnd Soups Zoom	2	3 Online Hebrew, In-person Hebrew, Upper School Dinner and Class	4 2pm Craft & Conversation 7pm ECC Parent Learning Night	5 12pm Rabbi Adam's Class 1:30pm Play Reading	6 9am Coffee with the Clergy 9:30am Ta'am Shel Shabbat 6:30pm Erev Shabbat Service	7 9am Torah Study 10am Shabbat Service and B'nei Mitzvah of Rafi Martin and Sean Wexler
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Join Rabbi Adam and Dianne Neiman on the Temple Emanuel Journey to Israel taking place February 12-21 2025. This particular trip will focus on Israel as a sacred land for Jews, Christians, and Muslims. We'll be visiting holy sites from all three religions, engaging in meaningful conversations with folks from across the political and religious spectrums, and deepening our connections to this wonderful, challenging, and complicated place. More information about the trip including itinerary and pricing here: www.j2adventures.com/join/temple-emanuel-kensington-md_feb-2025/

Now more than ever, it is crucial for us to continue to engage with Israel and its people. Whatever your position on the conflict, Israel is a place worthy of our attention and focus. Rabbi Adam hopes you'll come with him to see this beautiful, troubled, complicated, extraordinary place with your own eyes next February. If you have any questions, please contact Rabbi Adam.