Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur were “late” this year. Of course, they always fall on the same dates in the Hebrew calendar, but most of our lives follow a different calendar. This year, coincidently, we shall light the first candle of Chanukah on Christmas Eve. That, too, is somewhat unusual but quite convenient for shopping and gift-giving. Thanksgiving, however, always falls on the fourth Thursday in November.

Some years ago, a very wise Temple Emanu-El member gave me a piece of good advice: When your daughters are married, and it becomes harder to coordinate holidays, take Thanksgiving. Besides, who says you can’t serve brisket on Thanksgiving! I’ve yet to encounter that situation, but she sparked me to consider how the American holiday of Thanksgiving aligns with and incorporates many Jewish values. For example, the celebratory feast of the Pilgrims and Native Americans in November 1621 has similarities with Abraham’s welcoming of the “strangers” into his tent and the ensuing birth of Isaac. But, if we dig deeper, we can find many more instances of shared ideals.

Gratitude, inherent in Thanksgiving, is the most apparent. For Jews, however, gratitude is not expressed only once a year at a meal with family and friends. An attitude of gratitude pervades our...
worship and inspires our actions. Rabbi Bradley Shavit Artson, from whom many of us have had the opportunity to learn at Emanu-El’s Skirball Center, reminds us that gratitude is a self-creating blessing. The more we cultivate gratitude, the more we are aware of all that we receive. In turn, we greatly enrich our souls.

Further, on the virtue of gratitude, Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel teaches that gratefulness is linked to indebtedness. Something is owed in return for that which makes us grateful.

Here at Temple Emanu-El, there are many reasons to be grateful for our beloved congregation. Perhaps your family welcomed a new life, celebrated a bar or bat mitzvah, or experienced the joy of a wedding. Perhaps you mourned the death of a loved one, and our clergy provided caring support. Emanu-El is the venue for inspiring conversations between distinguished guest speakers, for world-class musical performances, for culinary experiences and more, to be enjoyed not only by temple members but the wider community as well. Yes, we have much for which to be grateful.

Thanksgiving is the perfect time for repaying the debt of which Rabbi Heschel spoke, and philanthropy is your opportunity for doing so. Today, there are many ways to make charitable contributions, and some may cost less than you think. Gifting appreciated securities, held for at least a year and a day, remains most cost effective. By this method, all tax on the capital gains is eliminated. Last December, Congress approved a bill to make permanent the tax-free direct donations from an IRA account to charity.

If you are required to take distributions, then you know that they are taxable as ordinary income. However, directing a withdrawal from your IRA to charity enables you to bypass reporting this as income and thus eliminates the income tax on the amount. Both gifts of securities and donations from IRA accounts are highly beneficial because the temple will receive the full amount, and you will eliminate tax liability.

If you are curious about how these and other creative giving techniques can help you to expand your capacity to support those charitable organizations about which you care, please contact me by phone (212-507-9524) or by email (rcimbol@emanuelnyc.org). And remember, you also may charge your contribution through the secure Emanu-El website (www.emanuelnyc.org) or by calling me.

Whatever method you choose, we encourage you to make your contribution to Temple Emanu-El’s 2016-2017 Annual Fund before 2016 draws to a close. Your donation not only will enhance your worship experience, it will help strengthen the next generation of Jews, provide enduring Jewish memories for countless individuals, and continue Emanu-El’s proud legacy of openness and inclusion.

You already know that you can count on Temple Emanu-El. In this season of giving thanks, please let us know we may count on you!

Yours sincerely,

Rabbi Cimbol
VETERANS SHABBAT
Friday, November 11 • 6:00 PM • Fifth Avenue Sanctuary
From New Amsterdam in 1654 to today, American Jews have taken up arms to defend their communities and serve their country. Temple Emanu-El proudly honors the veterans in our community with a special blessing at the ark at our Friday evening service during the week of Veterans Day. Temple members who are veterans and who are planning to attend should please call the Temple Office at 212-744-1400 so that we can plan.

SHABBAT KODESH FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE
Friday, November 11 • 7:00 PM • Beth-El Chapel
At Shabbat Kodesh Family Worship Services, we sing Hebrew prayers with lively melodies and experience the weekly Torah reading through interpretation and storytelling. All ages are welcome to attend.

PULPIT EXCHANGE WITH THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SAINT JOHN THE DIVINE
Friday, November 18, 6:00 PM, The Very Reverend James A. Kowalski of The Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine will preach at Temple Emanu-El. Sunday, November 20, 4:00 PM, Rabbi Joshua M. Davidson will preach at the Cathedral.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE
Wednesday, November 23 • 5:30 PM
Greenwald Hall (One East 65th Street)
Our worship service for Thanksgiving will be held the night before the holiday, as part of our Sunset Service, which is led by the Readers Panel under the auspices of the Men’s Club. See page 5 for information about our Thanksgiving volunteer activities.

SHIR CHADASH (“A NEW SONG”)
Friday, December 2 • 7:00 PM • Beth-El Chapel
Temple Emanu-El’s clergy hope that you enjoyed our Shir Chadash services during the High Holy Days. Now come back for our periodic Friday evening services! Shir Chadash features a contemporary liturgy interspersed with Chasidic tales and other teachings. The music, led by a vocalist and instrumentalists, is informal and participatory. All are welcome to attend. Bring friends! This service is also appropriate for teens and their parents.

HUMAN RIGHTS SHABBAT WITH ROBERTA KAPLAN
Friday, December 16 • 6:00 PM • Fifth Avenue Sanctuary
Join us for a special Human Rights Shabbat featuring renowned litigator, author and civil rights advocate Roberta Kaplan. More details about this event can be found in the Fall Skirball catalog on page 28. An extended Oneg and conversation will follow. Guests are welcome.
The first candle is lit Saturday, December 24; the eighth candle is lit Saturday, December 31.

Named for the Hebrew word for “dedication,” Chanukah commemorates the Maccabees’ defeat of the Syrians, which led to liberation of the Jews and the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem in 165 B.C.E. Join us each night of the holiday at the 5:30 PM worship service in Greenwald Hall, led by the Readers Panel, to light the Chanukah menorah. Our congregational Chanukah service will be held Friday, December 30 at 6:00 PM in the Fifth Avenue Sanctuary.

As with many of the Jewish holidays, some of the most important aspects of Chanukah happen in the home. It is a time of great joy and light, a time when we celebrate our identity as a holy nation. To help make the most of your holiday celebration, Temple Emanu-El is pleased to offer “Chanukah at Home” on our website: read the Chanukah story; listen to and learn the Chanukah blessings; download recipes for making latkes; learn how to play dreidel; and make Chanukah decorations. Log on to www.emanuelnyc.org/chanukah@home.

SHABBAT GREETERS

Help us convey the warmth of Temple Emanu-El as we welcome members, guests and visitors to our congregation on Shabbat. No special experience is necessary; all that is needed is a friendly attitude, a bright smile and a warm handshake to greet people as they arrive for Shabbat services. We want all who enter our sanctuaries to experience the beauty and warmth of our congregation. Can you help make that happen by serving as a Shabbat greeter?

If interested in becoming a Shabbat Greeter, contact the Membership Office: 212-507-9514 or membership@emanuelnyc.org.

EMANU-EL Cares

Celebrating. Supporting & Comforting our Congregation A Community Where Every Individual Matters

MITZVAH DAY
Sunday, November 13 • 10:30 AM
Learn more about how temple members can support fellow temple members through small acts of Kindness.

SOUPS ON!
Sunday, December 4 • 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Volunteers are needed to assist in the preparation and packing of homemade soup for Emanu-El Cares “care packages.”
For questions about any of these programs, call the Tikkun Olam Committee at 212-744-1400, ext. 452, or send an email to tikkunolam@emanuelnyc.org.

THANKSGIVING DINNER
Temple Emanu-El once again will serve Thanksgiving dinner at the temple (on the day before the holiday) to senior citizens and women and children from local homeless and domestic-violence shelters. Volunteers are needed from 2:00 PM to 6:15 PM on Wednesday, November 23 for setup, kitchen duty, greeting our guests, serving dinner and cleanup; we also need turkey carvers to help slice 20 turkeys. Starting at 4:00 PM, teens and “tweens” are needed to chaperone and play with our youngest guests.

We also are in need of people to make homemade baked goods (cookies, brownies, cupcakes, loaf cakes...no nuts or frosting, please!) that can be served at the dinner. This is a wonderful mitzvah that you can do at home. Baked goods should be dropped off (in disposable containers) to the One East 65th Street lobby on Tuesday, November 22 or by 2:00 PM on Wednesday, November 23.

PROM WISHES
November 13 through December 16
The holiday season is a special time of the year. Temple Emanu-El has committed to filling the wishes of 250 young girls from the inner city in partnership with Central Synagogue and Park Avenue Synagogue for their senior proms. Please pick a “wish” and help to give back to the greater community as you replenish the world with kindness. By helping those you may never meet, you play a pivotal part in repairing the world (tikkun olam).

WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE
The Tikkun Olam Committee is collecting gently used coats, jackets, hats, gloves and scarves (no other clothing, please!) in all sizes for adults and children, to help New York City families in need. Collected items will be distributed by New York Cares and the Neighborhood Coalition for Shelter. Donations may be brought to either the 65th Street lobby or 66th Street lobby through December 16.

HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE
November 21- December 16
The Children’s Hospital at Montefiore (CHAM) has requested specific items to help make the Holiday Season brighter for children who are receiving treatment. Congregants may drop off unwrapped toys, or they may purchase toys on Amazon and have them set directly to Temple Emanu-El, One East 65th Street, New York, NY 10065, Attn: Mitzvah Room/Toy Drive. The following toys are suggested: Baby Einstein Bendy Ball, Baby Einstein Take Along Tunes, Simon Electronic Memory Game, 4M Make a Wind Chime, Art Skills Sparkly Sand Art (6 count), Windy City Novelties Hand Held LED Light Up Galaxy Spinner with Flashing LED Lights, Crayola Washable Kids Paint (set of ten bottles), Trouble Board Game, Play-Doh Party Bag (15 count assorted colors), UNO H2O Game, Sorry Board Game, Hot Wheels Basic Car (50 pack).

STITCH’N TIME
(Remaining dates for 2016: November 13, December 11)
Stitch’n Time volunteers knit warm scarves and caps for clients of the Sunday Lunch Program, as well as knitted goods for children and adults in other venues. All skill levels are welcome. Light refreshments will be served. Sessions run from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE
(Remaining dates for 2016: November 22, December 20)
Volunteers prepare and serve dinner for families that are staying at Ronald McDonald House of New York, a “home away from home” for families of seriously ill children undergoing treatment. Dinners are organized on a monthly basis. To volunteer, contact the Women’s Auxiliary: 212-744-1400, ext. 235 or womaux@emanuelnyc.org.
SUNDAY LUNCH PROGRAM

For more than 25 years, Congregation Emanu-El has been preparing meals for the homeless. We particularly need volunteers on holiday weekends and during the summer. In addition to preparing meals, the Sunday Lunch Program collects paperback books and travel-size toiletries throughout the year. Interested in joining the Sunday Lunch Program? Call 212-744-1400, ext. 313.

MITZVAH

What Do We Mean By “Mitzvah”?  
Sunday, November 13 • 9:30 AM • One East 65th Street

Is a “mitzvah” a “commandment,” a “good deed” or something else? As Reform Jews, are we obligated to behave in a different way than others? Before you head off to volunteer at Mitzvah Day as part of the congregational community, stop by to think about the how every one of our actions embodies the potential to make the world a better place and ourselves better people. Led by Saul Kaiserman, director of Lifelong Learning, this program will conclude in time for Mitzvah Day.

Mitzvah Day was started in 2005 as a way to increase awareness and create a greater sense of community among Temple Emanu-El congregants while helping others. Temple members of all ages are invited to join us at 10:30 AM (sharp!) in I.M. Wise Hall (enter at One East 65th Street), where we will have:

• A light breakfast  • Congregational prayer
• A variety of hands-on projects to benefit others in the community.

Questions should be directed to the Tikkun Olam Committee at 212-744-1400, ext. 452 or tikkunolam@emanuelnyc.org.

MITZVAH DAY PROJECTS*

Art for Children —The Children’s Hospital at Montefiore (CHAM) is the only hospital in the Bronx exclusively dedicated to meeting the healthcare needs of children. Nestled between Manhattan and Westchester County, CHAM is a premier academic children’s hospital, nationally renowned for its clinical excellence, innovative research and

PARENTING at EMANU-EL

Temple Emanu-El sees parenthood as a monumental milestone, marked by joy and unexpected challenges. Accordingly, we are pleased to offer a range of programming for families with small children. Preregistration is required for all groups. For more information, visit www.emanuelnyc.org/parenting or email parenting@emanuelnyc.org.

TODDLER GROUP: For children ages 10 months to 20 months. Sessions meet on Mondays from 10:45 AM to 12:00 PM. Winter/Spring dates: January 23 through May 22, 2017 (10 sessions).

PARENT-CHILD GROUP: For parents and children ages 20 months to 30 months. Sessions meet on Wednesdays from 9:15 AM to 10:45 AM. Winter/Spring dates: January 25 through May 10, 2017 (10 sessions).
commitment to training the next generation of pediatricians and pediatric subspecialists. Help us to assemble 48 art kits that the children may use while undergoing treatment.

Bagel and Bingo Brunch — Emanu-El welcomes seniors from the Carter Burden Center for the Aging for brunch, Bingo and a performance by the Emanu-El Junior Choir.

Chemo Angels — Assemble comfort totes for women undergoing chemotherapy at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.

Food for the Heart/Harlem Hospital — This program is designed to provide healthy, shelf-stable food products to cardiac patients from Harlem Hospital who are beginning their recovery. Volunteers will assemble 100 food packages aimed to help educate the patients about a heart-healthy diet. All food products have been chosen by a nutritionist to ensure that the patients are receiving adequate nutrition.

Happy Birthday — Create birthday gift boxes for DOROT seniors many of whom live alone and don’t have family to celebrate with them.

Help Feed the Hungry — Make sandwiches and prepare 300 meal bags for families at Jan Hus Neighborhood House and other organizations that help New Yorkers.

Milk and Cookies — Bake fresh cookies and package them with organic milk boxes for children at the Lincoln Square Neighborhood Center day-care and after-school programs.

Mommy & Me/Project Sunshine — Help to package 48 diaper bags filled with baby essentials for new moms. These bags will be given to recipients at Project Sunshine, which provides free educational, recreational and social programs to children and families living with medical challenges.

Sweet Treats — Repackage donated candy into festive treat bags for distribution to several of Emanu-El’s partner organizations. (Once in a while, everyone needs a treat!)

Welcome Packages for Foster Pride/Good Sheppard — Volunteers will be assembling 96 tote bags for young girls from Foster Pride in Manhattan. Some of these girls are in “rapid-crisis intervention” and arrive with few or no possessions, as they have been removed from their homes with very short notice. Let’s help to make their days a bit brighter.

Young Families and Nursery School Projects — Emanu-El’s youngest volunteers will make Sunny Gram Cards and pillows for Project Sunshine, Chanukah cards and placemats for Self Help, and bookmarks for New York Center for Children.

*D Projects may be subject to change.*
EARLY CHILDHOOD

Tot Shabbat/Baby Shabbat
With storytelling and music and crafts, Temple Emanu-El’s Tot Shabbat and Baby Shabbat programs allow you to introduce your children to the joy of Shabbat. Tot Shabbat is geared specifically for our youngest temple members (preschool and Nursery School students) and their families. Jewish educator and early learning specialist Shira Kline partners with Rabbi Amy Ehrlich to make each Tot Shabbat “singing service” memorable. Light refreshments and art are part of each Tot Shabbat experience. Grandparents and special family members always are welcome to share the fun.

Next sessions: Saturday, November 19 and Saturday, December 3 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Enter at 10 East 66th Street.

Baby Shabbat is a 30-minute program designed for younger siblings of Nursery School children, although all children younger than 33 months are welcome to attend. Enjoy the company of other families as we anticipate Shabbat with music, blessings and a taste of challah. There is no charge for this program.

Next sessions: Friday, November 4 and Friday, December 9 from 9:15 AM to 9:45 AM. Enter at One East 65th Street.

Baby Bop: Jewish music and movement
Winter/Spring registration now open!
Join Early Childhood Educator Hadar Orshalimy as she introduces Jewish holidays, Hebrew words and movement, through music. Children up to 22 months are welcome! Sessions meet on Tuesdays from 11:00 AM to 11:50 AM. Our winter/spring session will meet from January 17 through May 23, 2017. To register, visit www.emanuelnyc.org/babybop.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Tzedakah: Why Do We Give? (Third-Grade Family Program)
Sunday, November 6 • 9:30 AM and Monday, November 7 • 4:00 PM • 10 East 66th Street
What is so special about tzedakah? How do we teach tzedakah in our Religious School? Explore the responsibility and importance of giving tzedakah. Adults will have the opportunity
to connect with fellow parents and engage in thoughtful learning with their children. Come and discover one of our most important mitzvot! RSVP to Jackie Schreiber at family@emanuelnyc.org.

**Shabbat Kodesh Family Worship Service**
Friday, November 11 • 7:00 PM • Beth-El Chapel
At Shabbat Kodesh Family Worship Services, we sing Hebrew prayers with lively melodies and experience the weekly Torah reading through interpretation and storytelling. All ages are welcome to attend.

**Sixth Grade Family Breakfast and Shabbat Morning Service**
Saturday, November 12 • 9:00 AM to 12 PM • One East 65th Street
Celebrate Shabbat and experience a Torah service similar to that of your own upcoming bar or bat mitzvah ceremony. Join with the clergy before worship for a light breakfast and learning. Register at www.emanuelnyc.org/shabbatbreakfast.

**Parent Education: What Do We Mean By “Mitzvah”?**
Sunday, November 13 • 9:30 AM • One East 65th Street
Is a “mitzvah” a “commandment,” a “good deed” or something else? As Reform Jews, are we obligated to behave in a different way than others? Before you head off to volunteer at Mitzvah Day as part of the congregational community, stop by to think about the how every one of our actions embodies the potential to make the world a better place and ourselves better people. Led by Saul Kaiserman, director of Lifelong Learning, this program will conclude in time for Mitzvah Day.

**Religious School Parent Association Breakfast, followed by The People vs. King David**
Sunday, November 20 • 9:00 AM • 10 East 66th Street
The Parents Association invites all Religious School parents for a pre-trial breakfast. Join us for coffee and bagels, and then we will go together to witness The People vs. King David as Temple Emanu-El’s Skirball Center puts another biblical hero on the stand. Attendance is FREE, but reservations are requested: www.emanuelnyc.org/rs-trial.

**One God With Many Names (Fifth Grade Family Program)**
Sunday, December 4 • 9:30 AM and Monday, December 5 • 4:00 PM • 10 East 66th Street
Judaism teaches that all humanity has a common origin and a shared destiny. Yet, each of us has a unique and personal relationship with the Divine. Together we will explore how the names by which we call our God can reflect our beliefs and shape our community. Register at www.emanuelnyc.org/manynames.

**Golda’s Balcony Performance, followed by a light Family Dinner**
Sunday, December 11 • 3:00 PM (Performance) • One East 65th Street  • Dinner from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM
Following the matinee performance of Golda’s Balcony, join the Department of Lifelong Learning for dinner. Religious School and teen families are welcome to attend. There is no fee for this dinner, but reservations are required: www.emanuelnyc.org/rs-golda.

**Please Note:** Religious School will be closed on Sunday, November 27 for Thanksgiving and from Sunday, December 18 through Monday, January 2 for Winter Break.
OVER 1,500 HAVE SIGNED UP. HAVE YOU?

AN EVENING WITH DANIEL GORDIS & JONATHAN GREENBLATT
A conversation about Israel with two outstanding thought leaders

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16 | 7:00 PM

AN EVENING WITH DORIS KEARNS GOODWIN
America’s “historian-in-chief”

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 | 2:00 PM

THE PEOPLE VS. KING DAVID
The Charges: Adultery, Murder in the First Degree

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 | 10:00 AM

ASK THE PRESS
OVER TWO EVENINGS, POLITICAL PUNDITS WILL TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS

NIGHT ONE
WILLIAM KRISTOL

NIGHT TWO
MAUREEN DOWD & CARL HULSE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 | 7:00 PM

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 | 7:00 PM

THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE MEANING OF JEWISH IDENTITY
Rabbi Leon A. Morris

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1 | 6:30 PM

Register Now at EmanuelSkirballNYC.org
Ron Chernow  
Author  
Brandon Victor Dixon  
Aaron Burr  
Javier Muñoz  
Alexander Hamilton

From Book to Musical to Sensation

An evening with Hamilton biographer and cast members from the hit show

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Alexander Hamilton

Human Rights Shabbat with Roberta Kaplan

The architect of the case that struck down DOMA

Friday, December 16 | 6:00 PM
The archival collection of the Medici Grand Dukes, curated and published online by the Medici Archive Project (Florence, Italy), comprises over 6000 volumes, containing some three to four million letters from the Medici dynasty (see: bia.medici.org). These documents reveal every aspect of public and private life at the Tuscan court as well as other courts in major European centers.

Although the Medici administration was based in Florence, its network of functionaries, agents and correspondents extended throughout Italy, Northern Europe and the Mediterranean. Correspondence from their many ambassadors contains information ranging from the most urgent events to the most trivial gossip.

Through these letters and documents, spanning from 1537 to 1743, scholars can reconstruct a great number of hitherto unexplored aspects pertaining to the social, economic and cultural life of Renaissance Jews.

**November 17, 2016 | 6:30 PM | Free**

Letters in Cipher and Coded Language: The Medici and Their Jews

- Alessio Assonitis (The Medici Archive Project)
- Gabriele Mancuso (The Medici Archive Project)

**December 15, 2016 | 6:30 PM | Free**

The New Jerusalem: Prophecy and Salvation in Renaissance Florence

- Alessio Assonitis (The Medici Archive Project)
- Tamar Herzig (Tel Aviv University)

**Upcoming Lectures (all are free):**

- **February 16, 2017:** Astrologers, Spies, Merchants and Travelers: Renaissance Jews from Ghettos to Courts
- **March 16, 2017:** Hidden Mysteries and Magic: Kabbalah and Jewish Mysticism in Renaissance Florence
- **April 6, 2017:** Reconstructing the Ghetto in Florence
- **May 11, 2017:** Like the Medici: Jewish Dynasties in Renaissance Florence
- **May 22-28, 2017**

### Venice, Padua, Ferrara & Florence

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- Daily Lectures with Alessio Assonitis and Gabriele Mancuso
- Guided tour of Venice: the Venetian ghetto, the five synagogues of the city, Rialto Bridge, Saint Mark’s Square, the Doge’s Palace and the Jewish Museum
- Visit the Jewish cemetery on the Lido
- Guided tour of Padua: Giotto’s Scrovegni Chapel and the Basilica di Sant’Antonio
- Concert of 18th-century liturgical music with Avraham Adolfo Locci, cantor and chief rabbi of the Jewish community in Padua
- Guided tour of Ferrara: the Jewish Museum, the city’s main synagogue, the site of the historic ghetto, the Castello Estense, the cathedral, museum and Palazzo Schifanoia
- Guided tour of Florence: Palazzo Vecchio, Duomo and the Great Synagogue
- Viewing of the David at the Galleria dell’Accademia
- Florence Taste food tour
- Wine tasting and dinner at the Ferragamo family’s 1,000-year-old Tuscan estate, Il Borro

Register Now at EmanuelSkirballNYC.org | 212.507.9580
We asked our panelists, who worked with Golda, are related to her or have thoroughly researched her life, to describe Golda Meir in one word:


A rare opportunity to hear directly from people who worked with Golda, are related to her or have thoroughly researched her life and many achievements. From the multiple perspectives, personal stories, insights and anecdotes offered by this panel, a context emerges for understanding the personal and professional life of Golda Meir. With: Pnina Lahav, Elinor Burkett, Dr. Meron Medzini, Shaul Rahabi and Dr. Hagai Tsoref. Moderated by Francine Klagsbrun. The program will conclude with a special performance by legendary Israeli singer Yehoram Gaon.

Marking the 38th anniversary of Golda Meir’s death, Mr. Rahabi, Golda Meir’s grandson, will lead us in lighting a yahrzeit candle.

Weinberg Center for the Performing Arts
Sunday, December 11 | 3:00 & 7:00 PM
MEN'S CLUB
For questions about Men's Club events, call 212-744-1400, ext. 250, or send an email to mensclub@emanuelnyc.org. To become a member, log on to www.emanuelnyc.org/mensclub.

Defying the Nazis: The Sharps’ War
Sunday, November 6 • 9:45 AM • One East 65th Street

Hiking across the Pyrenees in 1939, with Nazi collaborators potentially behind every rock, New England social worker Martha Sharp smuggled Jewish writer and outspoken Hitler critic Lion Feuchtwanger to safety. Forging documents and narrowly avoiding capture, which likely would have meant torture and death, Martha and her husband, Unitarian minister Waitstill Sharp, masterminded the rescue of hundreds of refugees targeted for imprisonment or worse. In 2006, the Sharps were recognized at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem as “Righteous Among the Nations,” the highest honor given by the State of Israel to non-Jews. They are two of only four Americans so honored. The film was directed by Ken Burns and Artemis Joukowsky and narrated by Tom Hanks.

As this event coincides with the observance of Kristallnacht, we invite you to join us for this special screening and learn more about this little-known chapter in this horrific era of Nazi persecution. The charge for this event is $30 for Men’s Club and Women’s Auxiliary members, $40 for all other temple members and guests. Brunch will be served at 9:45 AM; the screening starts at 10:30 AM. Register at www.emanuelnyc.org/sharpswar.

MODERNITY AND NEW JEWISH IDENTITIES
Sunday, December 11 • 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM • One East 65th Street

The modern world created new Jewish identities encompassing a range of experiences: from intermarriage and conversion to full participation in the civic life of the nation. The 19th century proclaimed Judaism as a religion, not a race. The 20th century had to reckon with both Zionism and the Holocaust to answer, “Who is a Jew?” Today, we continue to reinvent what it means to be “Jew-ish.” The ideals of our heritage are alive and well in the 21st century. Modernity has resulted in gains, not losses, to the unfolding Jewish legacy. Join Professor Frederick Roden as he tells this story from his latest book.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
For questions about Women’s Auxiliary events, call 212-744-1400, ext. 235, or send an email to womaux@emanuelnyc.org. To become a member, log on to www.emanuelnyc.org/womaux.

An Italian Adventure!
Tuesday, November 15 • 11:00 AM • Buccellati Boutique (714 Madison Avenue)

Buccellati is one of the world’s most renowned jewelry houses, celebrated for its craftsmanship, design and one-of-a-kind masterpieces. All temple members and their guests are invited to join us for a talk and tour, followed by lunch at Altesi Ristorante. The charge for this event is $50 for Women’s Auxiliary and Men’s Club members, $60 for all other temple members and guests. Register online at www.emanuelnyc.org/Buccellati.
An Afternoon with Designer Michael Aram
Tuesday, December 13 • 3:00 PM • 136 West 18th Street (between Sixth and Seventh avenues)

American-born master of decorative arts Michael Aram spends much of his time in India, where he designs and produces objects ranging from tableware to jewelry. All temple members are invited to join us for a special afternoon when Mr. Aram will discuss his work and inspirations. Space is limited. The charge for this event is $35 for Women’s Auxiliary members, $45 for all other temple members and guests (includes a wine-and-cheese reception). Register online at www.emanuelnyc.org/michaelaram.

All About Golda
Tuesday, December 13 • 11:00 AM • One East 65th Street

Join Bernard Museum Curator Warren Klein for an in-depth look at All About Golda, about the life of Israel’s fourth Prime Minister and the subject of many of our fall 2016 Skirball programs. The exhibition will highlight various periods of Golda’s life from immigration to the U.S. as a young girl to her rise as a political leader during Israel’s early years. We will examine photographs, fine art and original artifacts from Golda’s life.

Club 65

Club 65 is a monthly social group and educational program for senior members of the temple, both men and women. Attendees are invited to bring their lunch. Participation is free of charge. QUESTIONS? Call 212-744-1400.

Syria and Beyond: A Jewish Response to Today’s Refugees
Tuesday, November 8 • 11:00 AM • One East 65th Street

There are more refugees and displaced persons in the world today than at any time since World War II. Conflict and persecution are driving millions from their homes, leaving them stateless and vulnerable. In the United States, the recent backlash is threatening America’s legacy as a country that welcomes refugees.

Club 65 is pleased to welcome Rabbi Rachel Grant Meyer, an educator for community engagement at HIAS, as its first speaker of the new program year. She will lead us in a discussion of the current refugee crisis and an exploration of how Jewish text, values and history call on us to respond.

Community as Family

Now in its third season, Community as Family (CAF) is a monthly gathering of temple members age 48 and forward who are without adult children. Our goal is to create stronger ties within the Emanu-El family and the greater community, as well as to discover ways of becoming more informed self-advocates on a variety of topics, including finance, health, housing and home care. We serve light refreshments, and there are no commercial endorsements.

Casual and interactive sessions meet Mondays from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on November 21, December 19, January 23, February 27, March 27, April 24 and May 22. For more information or to register, contact Rabbi Amy Ehrlich at CommunityasFamily@emanuelnyc.org or 212-507-9603.

Events

50s+ Mingle at the Museum
Thursday, November 10 • 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM • One East 65th Street

If you’re 50+ and single and want to meet some nice people, then come to Emanu-El for a bit of a mingle. Wine and hors d’oeuvres will be served. Space is limited. This event is only open to temple members. The charge is $25 per person. RSVP to www.emanuelnyc.org/mingleatthemuseum.

QUESTIONS? Contact the Women’s Auxiliary at 212-744-1400, ext. 235 or womaux@emanuelnyc.org.
The following students of our Religious School will become b’nei mitzvah:

Saturday, November 5
• Julia Decker, daughter of Bettina and Brian Decker

Saturday, November 12
• Lily Levick, daughter of Kate Karet and Jeff Levick

Saturday, November 19
• Zara Dershowitz, daughter of Hanna Liebman Dershowitz and Dr. Adam Dershowitz
• Olivia Anton, daughter of Christina and Eric Michael Anton

Saturday, December 3
• Maximilian J. Ludwick, son of Pamela and Sean Ludwick

Saturday, December 10
• Hannah Asch, daughter of Sharon Gold and Jason Asch

Bimah flowers at worship services have been donated by the following congregants:

For the Sabbath of November 4 and 5
• Jim, Susan and Hannah Baumann in loving memory of Jay S. Baumann
• Mary L. Fleur in loving memory of her brother, Robert Thomas Schwartz
• Judie and Howard Ganek in loving memory of their father, Reuben Goldstein

For the Sabbath of November 11 and 12
• Kathy Rocklen and Linda Silberstein in loving memory of our father, Samuel Hellenbrand
• Jim, Susan and Hannah Baumann in loving memory of Hannah Hirschhorn Baumann

Pulpit Flowers at Thanksgiving Services (November 24)
• Peg Ogden in loving memory of her parents, Margaret S. and Stephen A. Ogden; her brother, Stephen A. Ogden Jr.; her grandmother, Tilda W. Stern; her aunt, Katherine S. Oppenheimer, and her friend Twig
• Mr. Harold Prince in loving memory of his mother, Blanche Prince

For the Sabbath of November 25 and 26
• Susan and David Rahm in loving memory of Susan’s mother, Selma Wiener Berkman

For the Sabbath of December 2 and 3
• The Harteveldt Family in loving memory of Henry H. Harteveldt Jr., Lucile S Harteveldt and Irvin Gomprecht
• Emily Fisher Landau in memory of my beloved sons M. Anthony Fisher and Richard L. Fisher

For the Sabbath of December 9 and 10
• Karel, Frank, Danielle and Alix Greenberg in loving memory of Lillian and Marvin Greenberg

For the Sabbath of December 16 and 17
• Mrs. A. Coleman Poll in loving memory of her parents, Mildred and Jacques G. Coleman, and her grandmother Sophie Brock

For the Sabbath of December 23 and 24
• Howard Kleinman in loving memory of my father, Gerald Kleinman
• Barbara Slifka in loving memory of her mother, Sylvia Slifka

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A limited number of above-ground crypts are available in our community mausoleum. For information, please call Cara Glickman at the Temple Office, 212-744-1400.
New Books can be left at the front desk in the building’s lobby upon request.

VISITING AUTHORS

- William Kristol | November 1
- Maureen Dowd | November 2
- Daniel Gordis | November 16
- Alice Hoffman | November 29
- Doris Kearns Goodwin | November 30
- Ron Chernow | December 5
- Elinor Burkett | December 8
- Roberta Kaplan | December 16
- Gayle Forman | January 13
- Thomas Friedman | January 30
- Judith Viorst | February 7
- Jill Kargman | February 13
- Lauren Belfer | March 1
- Naomi Ragen | April 25

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Twice a year, each student in our Religious School will receive a book that builds and expands on topics raised in the school curriculum - from great heroes of our history, to the origins of our transitions, to contemporary topics.

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Sunday, December 18—Jiacheng Xiong (Xiong Xiong), born in 1997 in Nanning City, Fujian China, became a Prize Winner of the Eighth New York International Piano Competition in June 2016. His life at the keyboard began at age 3, when he gained entrance to the Beijing Central Conservatory of Music in 2005. He received a full scholarship to the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 2011. He has appeared numerous times at the Aspen Music Festival and has been heard at Carnegie Hall and Cortot Hall in Paris, France.
The following are weekly readings for November and December 2016. Read synopses of the Torah portions at emanuelnyc.org/torahataglance. View our clergy preaching schedule at www.emanuelnyc.org/preaching.

**Noach** (Read Saturday, November 5)  
Genesis 6:9-11:32

**Lech L’cha** (Read Saturday, November 12)  
Genesis 12:1-17:27

**Vayeira** (Read Saturday, November 19)  
Genesis 18:1-22:24

**Chayei Sarah** (Read Saturday, November 26)  
Genesis 23:1-25:18

**Tol’dot** (Read Saturday, December 3)  
Genesis 25:19-28:9

**Vayeitzei** (Read Saturday, December 10)  
Genesis 28:10-32:3

**Vayishlach** (Read Saturday, December 17)  
Genesis 32:4-36:43

**Vayeishev** (Read Saturday, December 24)  
Genesis 37:1-40:23

**Mikeitz** (Read Saturday, December 31)  
Genesis 41:1-44:17

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AN EVENING WITH

THOMAS FRIEDMAN

Winner of three Pulitzer Prizes, journalist and author Thomas Friedman discusses his new book.

Monday, January 30 | 7:00 PM

AN EVENING WITH

THE TEMPLE EMANU-EL SKIRBALL CENTER

Jill Kargman

A hilarious examination of life in New York with author, comedian and star of Bravo’s hit show Odd Mom Out.

Monday, February 13 | 7:00 PM

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