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JANUARY SERVICES

Fridays, 6:15pm

7 – Simchat Shabbat Service w/Birthday Blessing 7, 14, 21, 28 – Tot Shabbat, 5:45pm 14, 21, 28 – Shabbat Service

Saturdays

15 – Shabbat Service/bar mitzvah of Elan Weintraub, 10am

29 - Shabbat Service/bar mitzvah of Leo Rosenberg, 10am

JANUARY PROGRAMS

- 5 Sisterhood First Wed. Speaker Series, 1:00pm (Zoom)
- 7, 14, 21, 28 Torah Study, 4:45pm
- 9 Rosh Chodesh Torah Study, 10:30am (Zoom)
- 9 Food For Families, 12:00pm
- 9 Stitch-a-Thon, 4:00pm (Zoom)
- II ADL Talk on Antisemitism, 6:00pm (Zoom)
- 21 Congregational Shabbat Dinners, 7:00pm (Zoom)
- 30 Sisterhood Family Collage Workshop, 3:00pm

FEBRUARY SERVICES

Fridays, 6:15pm

- 4, Shabbat Service w/Birthday Blessing
- 4, 11 Tot Shabbat, 5:45pm
- 11, 18, 25 Shabbat Service

FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

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- 15 Rabbi Dennis Ross Book Talk, 7:00pm (Zoom)

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Thank you to our retiring Templet editor, who leaves a legacy of excellence and dedication.

SIMCHAT SHABBAT – the tour continues...

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7 @ 6:15 PM

What better way to begin 2022 than with a Simchat Shabbat celebration?!

Join Cantor Shira and our EET 17th Street Band in our sanctuary and online, and "Put a Little Simchat Back in Your Shabbat!"





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Yahrzeit Memorial Candles Initiative



Plaza Jewish Community Chapel

is now providing our EET members with a yahrzeit memorial candle to light on the anniversary date of your loved one's death. The candles are free of charge and can be picked up from the temple office during the week of the yahrzeit.

FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY Joshua M. Z. Stanton

Mindless Sloth

My grandfather was a big proponent of "mindless sloth." Every time I visited him as a teenager, he – in contrast to almost everyone else in my life – would encourage it. He wasn't worried about me working hard in school or getting good grades. He wasn't worried about me finding a career or a calling. He was



worried about me getting perspective on life and stepping back from the humdrum enough to gain a better understanding of it.

Perhaps it was an ironic lesson coming from someone whose own life was defined by determination, struggle, and hard work. But the more he said it, the more I took it seriously. And the more he said it, the more he seemed to take it seriously, too: Long naps, delectable chocolate, drinks for sipping and conversations to savor.

Perhaps that is what we all need this winter. Not another prolonged period at home that we call a vacation and work straight through, but a time of intentional rest. A Shabbat that lasts for a week, and perhaps more?

One of the challenges of our tradition is that Shabbat is often defined in negative terms – not engaging in one of 39 categories of work; not creating; not destroying; not igniting; not extinguishing. Perhaps it is time for us to engage in some ritual innovation and expand the scope of our cannon of mindless sloth and non-pursuits that we pursue with glee.

Here are a few suggestions for the time that, I pray, we all set aside for ourselves at some point this winter:

- Spend one day doing absolutely nothing. Don't leave your home, talk on the phone, use social media, or communicate with the wider world. Pause, read, sleep, and watch television that does not have a big life lesson.
- Then take a few days to:
 - Walk somewhere new for a long time or see new details in places you know well.
 - Eat food that you really love and seldom get enough of, which is neither great nor disastrous in nutrition content – and ideally takes a long, relaxing time to prepare.
 - Sleep more than you knew was humanly possible.
 - Read a book in a new genre.
 - Call a friend or a family member who is actually good at listening.
 - Journal, or at least find some words to describe how you are doing inside.
 - Spend time with good people you rarely see.
 - Try a new sport or form of physical activity.
 - Listen deeply to yourself.
 - Explore a new form of art or a new artist in a form that you know well.
 - Do as few chores as possible.
 - Buy yourself a gift that you won't regret having spent the money on but might not ordinarily buy.

Savor every second. May it indeed be filled with mindless sloth – or, perhaps more aptly, mindful sloth.

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FROM the Co-PRESIDENT Rebecca Shore

As we are approaching the end of the second year of the pandemic, how many of us are feeling impatient? Impatient to gather without masks, to have full-capacity services and events in our sanctuary, reconnect with each other at onegs in our social hall, and FINALLY put COVID behind us? I know I am. The social isolation of the past



two years has impacted everyone in different ways, and we are all ready to move forward.

With the high rates of vaccinated New Yorkers,

and now the availability of vaccines for all people except those under 5, it's tempting to act as if COVID already is behind us and to put aside the safety protocols with which we all have been living for way too long. Brian and I would like nothing more than to be able to announce a relaxing of all of our safety precautions. Unfortunately, however, we are not there yet. The spread of the Omicron variant and sadly the increase in the rates of positive cases in New York City require us to remain vigilant and cautious.

Throughout all of the pandemic, we have been looking to the guidance of the CDC, New York State, and New York City. In making our safety decisions, we have adopted the recommendations of these entities, rather than what is permitted. In each decision, we weigh the risk of exposure and the impact of exposure on the entire congregation, rather than the impact solely on the event itself. Our goal is to keep our religious school open and in-person, services in-person, and our community, staff, and clergy healthy without fear of exposure. None of these decisions is easy, and we know there are arguments on both sides.

At the same time, we are hopeful that change will be coming soon. We are considering ways we can start relaxing some of the safety protocols once the positivity rates start to decline. And we are looking at more opportunities to connect socially in person safely.

During what we truly hope will be the final months of the pandemic, we ask for your patience and appreciate your understanding and support to keep us all safe.

May 2022 bring each of us connection, health, community, and hopefully a time to gather without masks or distance. Wishing each of you a very happy New Year!



CANTOR'S 5 5 5

2022 is a year that holds so much promise for all of us. After nearly two years of living through a global pandemic, I find the ritual marking of time to be even more poignant. As we age, it feels that time speeds up and our ability to grasp it wanes. Like sand in an hourglass, it can slip right through our fingers lest we take the time to find



Shira Ginsburg

meaningful ways to mark its passage. Each year in January I am reminded of just how fortunate we are to celebrate New Year's twice. Rosh Hashanah affording us the opportunity to be more reflective, introspective, looking inward; the secular New Year an opportunity to look outward into the world and ahead towards the future.

It is said that we have a prayer for everything in Judaism: a prayer for when we see a rainbow, when we eat a first fruit, and for when we have come through a difficult time. In fact, the Talmud teaches that there are two blessings one should recite when seeing a friend for the first time in a long time; if a full year has gone by, one recites the blessing "mechayei hameitim" "who has given life to the dead," but one may also say the Shehechiyanu, our prayer of gratitude for arriving at a new moment and season

Over this last year, I have found myself saying the Shehechiyanu with more frequency than ever before. Not just when I see someone after such a long time, but in so many moments I once took for granted as ordinary. The opportunity to experience these moments at all are what I now celebrate. The ability to gather together with family, with friends, in community is itself the central focus of our gratitude, even more than the activity or reason for gathering in the first place.

May 2022 be a year of gathering together in safety, good health and happiness with all those we love, and may it be a year filled with Shehechiyanus!



Todah Rabah to our Donors and Volunteers:

Don Sussman and family for our landscaping; our virtual presenters and ushers; generous donors, lay leaders and other volunteers who help keep us all

Thank you!

connected and thriving.



SH'MA SOCIAL JUSTICE DOINGS...

Welcoming the Stranger

We are proud to share that East End Temple is supporting two exciting Social Justice initiatives that will aid refugee resettlement in New York City and profoundly impact the lives of families:

Initiative One: We are partnering with <u>Ruth's Refuge</u>

to set up apartments and bring welcome to those who arrive in New York City as refugees with few tangible assets. Our goal is to deliver and assemble furniture for at least one apartment move per month. East End Temple congregants can help: In addition to joining our Sassy Schleppers set-up team, who completed two apartment moves this past fall, we will need funds to purchase essential furniture, household cleaning supplies, and other goods the families need to start their lives in New York City.

Initiative Two: East End Temple is a "junior partner" with Temple Shaaray Tefila in sponsoring an Afghan refugee family for a year, through the HIAS Community Sponsorship Program. Congregants will be needed to settle the family with an apartment, job, language skills, and general knowledge about life in New York. As a junior partner, we have been asked to provide \$5,000 of the \$35,000 needed for a year-long lease of housing for the family. It will also support activities like purchasing furniture, supplementing food in the early months, and helping with clothing.

East End Temple has a long history of welcome,

and we hope that you will be part of our welcome to these families. In the new year, we will be seeking congregational support with funding. In the meantime, please contact <u>Elizabeth Weisser</u> if you have any questions, need additional information, or want to volunteer to help settle these families.

In advance, thank you for considering helping refugees and asylum seekers find safety, welcome and opportunity.

Gratefully,

Charlie Blank, Kim Gerstman, Mark Levy, and Elizabeth Weisser Sh'ma Social Justice Committee members



EDUCATION NEWS Mindy Sherry, RJE

When our students become b'nei mitzvah, this is a celebratory time for the student, their family and our community. East End Temple has the tradition of giving gifts from the Board of Trustees, Sisterhood and NFTY. Thanks to Bill Rost, we are now adding membership certificates to the Jewish Museum on 5th Ave. The B'nei Mitzvah



membership includes a membership for children and parents and has many benefits. I am excited for our families to start exploring the museum.

The museum's current exhibit is "Afterlives: Recovering The Lost Stories of Looted Art." This exhibit shares the stories of art that was stolen during the war, what happened after the war, and the current life of the art in either museums or private collections. This complements the 7th grade Holocaust curriculum.

To find out more about the museum or the exhibit please visit <u>https://thejewishmuseum.org/</u>. Again, I would like to thank Bill Rost for helping us bring the joy of Jewish art to our b'nei mitzvah families.

Fridays Tot Shabbat Schedule at 5:45pm

- January: January 7, 14, 21, 28
- February: February 4, 11

MEN'S CLUB

Marc Jonas Block

What a strange 2021. Though not nearly as devastating at an international level as 2020, it was still a disruptive experience. However, there was also wonder and greatness. It has been truly inspiring to watch as the religious and lay leaders of East End Temple strove to address problems in our community, city, state, country and world.



This recently past Chanukah was especially important as we celebrated hope for the future. The Men's Club participated in the holiday spirit by sponsoring the holiday gift boxes distributed to members of the community.

For all active and/or interested members of the Men's Club, please keep a look out for notices of upcoming meetings. We will be having discussions on opportunities and interests for programs and activities.

If you have any idea or concerns, or want to propose new topics for events, please contact <u>me</u>.

SISTERHOOD

Suellen Eshed

+ Sisterhood Matters

The Art of Reinvention

As we cautiously turn the corner of the pandemic, we look forward to the return of innovative, fun, and spiritual in-person programs which connect us all. The Sisterhood of East End Temple is looking forward to

resuming some traditions, while introducing new ones.

Creating Spiritual Connections: Monthly Rosh Chodesh Women's Study and Discussion (Jan. 9 will be Zoom only), returning in January. Fern Stampleman and Sheryl Harawitz will lead us in the discussion of the prophetess, Miriam, and the many lessons to be learned beyond the saving of her baby brother. We will enjoy dynamic conversation based both on biblical study and midrash. While we are suspending our tradition of brunch until it is safe to do so, we will finish our discussions with a special candle lighting where we voice gratitude for all we have. <u>10:30am on Sundays, 1/9 and 2/6</u>.

Highlighting Fascinating Women: Monthly "Getting To Know You" Lunchtime Speaker Series

(Zoom). All are welcome to join. In January, our past Sisterhood President, Judith Lorber, will share her personal story of research, education and authorship of books on feminist ideology, especially as it relates to the changing perceptions of gender. Hear about her newest book, "The New Gender Paradox: Fragmentation and Persistence of the Binary." In February, Audrey Schwartz, licensed financial advisor, will share personal financial tips for 2022. <u>1:00 pm on Wednesdays, 1/5 and 2/2</u>.

Engaging Families: Our First Family Collage

Workshop (in person), led by Israeli artist Michal Nachmany. Parents, grandparents and children age 5 and up and welcome to create a collage of their family. <u>3:00pm on Sunday, January 30</u>.

Donating to our first Art Sale and Cocktail Party FUNdraiser, to be held on May 15. Look on your walls and through your closets for items to donate. Check your email for more information.

For more details about the Sisterhood of East End Temple, updated program details and how we support multiple temple initiatives, please see the <u>Sisterhood</u> Community page of the East End Temple website. Note: All in-person events are subject to EET's latest COVID protocols.

The Sisterhood of East End Temple Belong. Connect. Grow.

WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM

LIBRARY BUZZ

Barbara Ringel

Our 8th annual Help our Library Grow Initiative has been a success again this year, thanks to the many members whose generosity has enabled us to add new well reviewed books to our collection. Nearly all of the books have been donated, but there are some wonderful titles still available for donation.



Click <u>here</u> to see the available books and the payment instructions. Please come into our library to browse and check out books, as the library is now open for members during regular temple hours. Winter is here; stay warm and read.

Our 8th annual Helene Spring Library Event,

featuring author and temple member, Ian Rosenberg, who will discuss his very timely book, The Fight for Free Speech: Ten Cases that Define Our First Amendment Freedoms, will take place on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>March 27, 2022</u>. His book is available in our library. Save the date for this not-to-be missed event. More details will follow soon.

COLD WEATHER PROJECT STEPS UP

Heeding the call from East End Temple's Social Justice Committee, Sisterhood's Cold Weather Project has gathered the hats and scarves that our members and friends have knit and crocheted, and have donated them for the benefit of families from Afghanistan who have had to leave their homes with nothing.

It was our pleasure to deliver 37 hats and 22 scarves to United Together-Afghan Women Project, all handmade for our cold New York winters. May these 59 items bring warmth and comfort to our newest arrivals.

For those of you who participate in our Stitch-A-Thons, or those of you who knit and crochet on your own, please note that we again start from scratch. Sisterhood collects home-made hats and scarves all year

round, and we have lots of yarn to distribute if you can help by making a hat or scarf.



Thank you for your efforts.

THE HAMANTASCHEN ARE COMING	FOO By Celi			
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OOD FOR FAMILIES

It was with great joy that we met in person on November 14 after a year and a half to once again make sandwiches to feed hungry

New Yorkers through the East End Temple Sisterhood Food For Families program. Our dedicated volunteers made 1,869 sandwiches in Nov. and 2,196 in Dec.!

Join us! The 2022 dates are January 9, February 6, March 6 and April 3. Advance sign-up is required (<u>https://signup.com/go/EwwNPQT</u>). All participants must be age 12 or older (ages 12-15 must be accompanied by an adult) and must observe COVID safety rules, including:

- wearing masks and maintaining appropriate distancing;
- showing proof of vaccination;
- submitting our <u>Health Form</u> on the day of the event.

Each participant should bring five loaves of whole wheat bread and 16 pieces of fruit (preferably apples and oranges) and wear a hat to comply with Department of Health regulations. Help us feed hungry New Yorkers by donating to Food For Families through Sisterhood (<u>https://eastendtemple.org/contribute/</u>).

VOICES

Seth Ginsberg: Balance Matters

Seth's family occupies opposite sides of the Jewish continuum. His dad is observant. His mom, who passed away seven years ago, was secular. Likewise, Seth is more traditional in his Jewish practice than his wife, Judy Isikow. Seth seeks a balance when it comes to Judaism and to life.

Seth grew up in East Setauket, L.I. He lived two of his preschool years in Israel with his parents and Daniel, Seth's younger brother. For his B.A. at Binghamton, Seth majored in Political Science with a concentration in Middle Eastern Studies and a semester abroad in Israel. A musician at heart, Seth studied music theory at the Mannes School of Music. He plays American and Jewish folk on guitar, mandolin and banjo. A healthy balance is paramount to doing it all.

As a recipient of a City Artist Corps Grant during the summer of 2021, Seth co-produced a series of literary readings and concerts in Bushwick, Brooklyn. Through his Creative Arts and Music Programs (CAMP), Seth creates artist-in-residency programs for NYC public schools. Thinking expansively, he has consulted with EET's Director of Education Mindy Sherry about incorporating the arts into EET classrooms.

Since joining EET in 2015, Seth, Judy (an ABC NEWS producer and consultant), Charlie (age 15) and Nate (age 13) have found a perfect balance of religious education and social action. When not engaged in preparations/ celebrations for the boys' b'nei mitzvah (Charlie's in April 2018, Nate's in Dec. 2021),



Marcia Muskat

Seth Ginsberg

the family regularly made sandwiches - pre-pandemic - at Food For Families. Seth has also made deliveries for the Ruth's Refuge organization and recently helped set up an apartment for a newly arrived Afghan family. On their time off, Seth and his family gather together for helpings of Seth's legendary hummus: a more balanced recipe you won't find!

Share your story with us in future Voices articles, email me at info@eastendtemple.org. Please include your phone #.



OUR TEMPLE COMMUNITY



CONGRATULATIONS TO

Leo Rosenberg and Elan Weintraub, our January and February b'nei mitzvah celebrants.

Mazal tov from your EET community!

TWO ADULT ED ZOOM PROGRAMS, PLEASE JOIN US:

ADL Event, January II at 6:00pm "Fighting Antisemitism Online: Reclaiming the Internet" with heads of the ADL's unit which focuses on fighting hate online.

Book Talk w/<u>Rabbi Dennis Ross</u>, Feb. 15 at 7:00pm "A Year with Martin Buber." Rabbi Ross will discuss his new Torah commentary, with wisdom from Martin Buber for each Torah portion.



ABOUT FLORENCE PELOQUIN By Helene Spring

How do we praise a woman like Florence Peloquin? She is unique, creative and dedicated. Florence has been the editor of the EET newsletter, *Templet*, for over 20 years. As a member of the Board of Trustees, her exceptional talent led our leadership to persuade her to become the second Editor. Florence is a long-time EET member and a friend of many members; a former religious school parent; a woman with special talents. A delight to know.

As an editorial executive of both Family Circle and Woman's Day, she left those magazines and went into business for herself. Soon we lucked out and became the beneficiary of her expertise and talents in the field of journalism. She leaves a legacy of excellence and dedication for her successor.

Now the time has come and she has decided to retire from the world of journalism and a vital communication arm of temple life. She realizes how important communication is to any organization and has surely done her part to create a vision for us to follow. We honor her for that special approach to our culture and what she created for us, building a warm look into the life of EET. She has nurtured us through the *Templet* which we look forward to reading.

So, thanks for everything, Florence. We have been the fortunate ones to benefit from your loving dedication and commitment.



OUR TEMPLE COMMUNITY

Is your family name on the *Kehila* Wall? Do you want to honor a loved one?

The Kehila Campaign began in 2002 as congregants made plans to move into our beautiful building on 17th Street. The fund was named *Kehila*, Hebrew for community, to reinforce the need for our temple community to work together and make our dream come true. Many congregants made – and continue to make – significant contributions to the temple through this campaign.

Many items have been dedicated in recognition or memory of loved ones, including the Sanctuary Lobby (\$50,000), the Sanctuary Doors (\$36,000), the Menorah and the Eternal Light (\$25,000 each), the Wrought Iron Gates (\$10,000 each) and five of the 18 Golden Prayer Strips (\$5,000 each), among others. We are eternally grateful to our congregants who made these gifts. And a special thank you to the EET Sisterhood who dedicated the Sanctuary, Social Hall and Kitchen.

The Kehila Campaign is ongoing, helping to create innovative programming and to sustain our financial security. It is an opportunity to show additional support for our synagogue and can be a meaningful way to honor a loved one. It's never too late.

Just last month, one EET congregant dedicated the Sanctuary Minyan Lights, and there are many more opportunities for dedication, such as our Entrance Mezuzah, Piano, Cantor's or Rabbi's Study, and the Holy Ark. Please contact <u>Sharon Shemesh</u> (212.477.6444) if you would like a complete list of dedication options.

With a generous contribution of \$1,800-\$4,999, your name will be added to the *Kehila* Honor Roll and for contributions of \$5,000 or more, a bronze plaque will be added to our *Kehila* Dedication Wall leading to the Sanctuary.

May the beauty and warmth that infuses our temple home be with you throughout the coming year.



JOIN THE EET LEGACY CIRCLE TO HELP SECURE THE FUTURE

EET LEGACY CIRCLE ₩

We are grateful to our members who have already included East End Temple in their estate plans. Please let the office know if you too have included East End Temple in your planned giving so that we may thank you appropriately.



Sal and Derek

"We believe so fundamentally in the mission of East End Temple, an institution that blessed our marriage and welcomed our children. Through the Legacy Circle we can help ensure the long-term future of our Jewish home."

– Derek Dorn and Sal Gogliormella

Act today to ensure a strong foundation for our community's tomorrow.

If you are thinking of including East End Temple in your estate planning, please contact the office for more information, or to schedule a confidential discussion with our rabbi or co-president.

L'Dor V'Dor, From Generation to Generation



OUR JEWISH HOLIDAYS... excerpts taken from ReformJudaism.org



TU BISHVAT'S ORIGINS: Tu BiShvat or the "New Year of the Trees" is Jewish Arbor Day (Jan. 16-17). The holiday is observed on the 15th (*tu*) of the Hebrew month of Shvat. Scholars believe that originally Tu BiShvat was an agricultural festival, marking the emergence of spring. In the 17th century, Kabbalists created a ritual for Tu BiShvat that is similar to a <u>Passover seder</u>. Today, many Jews hold a modern version of the Tu BiShvat seder each year. The holiday also has become a tree-planting festival in Israel, in which Israelis and Jews around the world plant trees in honor or in memory of loved ones and friends.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Jocelyn Farhangian Nimrod Sadeh and Jason Reece



DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO

- Gary, Yvette, and Max Negbaur on the death of Gary's mother, Babette Negbaur
- Steven Novick on the death of his mother, Pearl Novick

And for those who have loved ones who died recently and are not mentioned above, may their memory be for a blessing.



Can't get to EET's Services? Our livestream will put you in the picture

EET's Livestreaming makes Shabbat Services and select special events available online to EET members, relatives and friends who are at home or traveling. All you have to do is log on to our website **eastendtemple.org** and click on "Livestream Our Services" to virtually close the distance and feel connected to our community.

And, if you want your faraway relatives and friends to see you on the bimah (for example, receiving a blessing during your birthday month) or to hear a special service, let them know how to "tune in" as well.

To support our critical Livestreaming service, complete the donation form by checking <u>Leonard Spring</u> <u>Memorial Fund</u>, or online @eastendtemple.org.

TEMPLE FUNDS

Cantor Discretionary Fund

used for charitable giving; enrichment of the congregation & community.

El Emet Fund

helps beautify and maintain our temple; underwrite holiday festivities, projects. Note: simcha, mishebeirach, yahrzeits.

Floral Fund (*contact the office*) purchases flowers to decorate our pulpit on Shabbat and the High Holy Days.

Fund For The Future helps ensure future growth in all temple activities.

Hamermesh Music Fund provides special music programs and resource materials.

Kehila Fund (contact the office)

ensures the growth and permanence of our Temple. At the \$1,800 level, your name will be inscribed on the honor roll mounted on the Sanctuary lobby wall. Starting at \$5,000, your name and/or the name of an honoree will be engraved on a bronze plaque.

Leonard Spring Memorial Fund

dedicated to supporting our Livestream, Zoom and Facebook Live services and unfunded temple projects.

Oneg Shabbat Fund (contact the office) provides refreshments after Shabbat evening services.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund used for charitable giving; enrichment of the congregation & community.

Sara A. Spencer Children's Educational Fund provides educational materials for the Religious School.

Simchat Shabbat Programs

provides musical Shabbatot, diversified community programs.

Naming Opportunities (contact the office) Memorial Board Plaque; Simcha Tree Leaf

SISTERHOOD FUNDS

Food For Families Fund

purchases the food and meal supplies volunteers need to use for filling the bags of meals prepared to feed the hungry.

Food For Families Day Sponsor underwrites this social action program. Contribution designates you as co-sponsor for the day.

Helene Spring Library Fund helps purchase new and archival books, library equipment and additional materials for our library.

Sisterhood Birthday Fund

contributes to a social action fund benefiting women and girls, selected annually.

Sisterhood Leadership Development Fund

supports the enhancement of leadership skills of current Sisterhood members and to develop future Sisterhood leaders.

FUNDS ARE ALSO ACCESSIBLE VIA OUR WEBSITE (unless

otherwise noted), at https://eastendtemple.org/contribute/

For next publication of contribution listing, please have your messages and payments sent to us by February 10.

EAST END TEMPLE DONATION FORM

Please use this form to make contributions to all East End Temple funds. Make checks payable as indicated below and write the name of the fund(s) on your check. Some funds require separate checks. Send checks to East End Temple, 245 East 17th Street NYC 10003. All contributions are per listing and your canceled check is your receipt. Email or call the temple office at info@eastendtemple.org, 212.477.6444 for further information.

FOR THESE FUNDS MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO EAST END TEMPLE

□ Cantor's Discretionary Fund \$36 min.	$\Box \text{ Leonard Spring Memorial Fund } \longrightarrow $ \$18 min.
(Separate check required) □ El Emet Fund → \$10 min.	□ Rabbi's Discretionary Fund \$36 min. (Separate check required)
□ Fund For The Future \$100 min.	\Box Sara A. Spencer Children's Ed. Fund \longrightarrow \$18 min.
□ Hamermesh Music Fund \$18 min.	□ Simchat Shabbat Programs \$54 min.
For the following gift opportunities, please contact the EET office Floral \$75, Kehila min. \$5,000, Memorial Board Plaque \$720 each	
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat 1 New Year's Day
2	3	4	5 1p Sisterhood First Wed. Speaker Series (Zoom)	6	7 4:45p Torah study (Zoom) 5:45p Tot Shabbat 6:15p Simchat Shabbat w/Birthday Blessing	8
9 10:30a Rosh Chodesh Torah study (Zoom) 12p Food For Families 4p Stitch-a-Thon (Zoom)	10	11 4p RS grade 6 & 7 5:45p Teens grds 8-12 6p ADL Talk on Antisemitism (Zoom)	12 4p RS grades 4 & 5 6:30p Sisterhood Board meeting	13 12p BELL (Zoom) 4p RS grades 2 & 3 4p RS grades pre K, K, 1	14 4:45p Torah study (Zoom) 5:45p Tot Shabbat 6:15p Shabbat services	15 10a Shabbat services and bar mitzvah of Elan Weintraub
16	17 Tu Bishvat/MLK Jr. Day office closed	18 4p RS grade 6 & 7 5:45p Teens grds 8-12	19 4p RS grades 4 & 5 6:30p BOT meeting	20 4p RS grades 2 & 3 4p RS grades pre K, K,1	21 4:45p Torah study (Zoom) 5:45p Tot Shabbat 6:15p Shabbat services & Cong. Dinners (Zoom)	22
23	24	25 4p RS grade 6 & 7 5:45p Teens grds 8-12	26 4p RS grades 4 & 5	27 4p RS grades 2 & 3 4p RS grades pre K, K, 1	28 4:45p Torah study (Zoom) 5:45p Tot Shabbat 6:15p Shabbat services	29 10a Shabbat services and bar mitzvah of Leo Rosenberg
30 3p Sisterhood Family Collage Workshop w/Michal Nachmany	31					

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13	14	15 4p RS grade 6 & 7 5:45p Teens grds 8-12 7p Rabbi Dennis Ross book talk (zoom)	16 4p RS grades 4 & 5 6:30p BOT meeting		18 4:45p Torah study (Zoom) 6:15p Shabbat services	19
	21 Presidents Day office closed	22 Mid-Winter Break – No Religious School	23 Mid-Winter Break – No Religious School		25 4:45p Torah study (Zoom) 6:15p Shabbat services	26
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