## November 2024

October was filled with so many exciting holidays and traditions. I hope you and your family were able to partake in some of the wonderful events Temple Emanu-El had to offer. My favorite holiday is Sukkot and my favorite ceremonial tradition is Consecration, so October was a splendid month for me! What do you enjoy celebrating?

November is a relatively quiet month this year, but the B'Nai Mitzvot are beginning to come fast and furious. What an exciting time for our youth, this coming of age in the Jewish faith. There is something so special about watching our students transform from children into young adults. To watch the student become the teacher's assistant in the classroom and also begin to lead T'filah time. I look forward to each of the ten B'Nai Mitzvot this year. I hope you have the opportunity to attend a few yourself. We should take every opportunity we can to celebrate our younger learners and praise them for their hardwork and dedication to their faith. It takes a sincere commitment to ones faith to become a Bat or Bar Mitzvah in this day and age with all the distractions and other extracurricular activities pulling at our students' time. I commend each of them for wanting this for themselves and for seeing it through. Mazel Tov!

Miss Lisa