



The festival is observed by the kindling of the lights of a unique candelabrum, the nine-branched Menorah or *Hanukiah*, one additional light on each night of the holiday, progressing to eight on the final night. The typical Menorah consists of eight branches with an additional raised branch. The extra light is called a *shamash* (Hebrew for "attendant") and is given a distinct location, usually above or below the rest. The purpose of the *shamash* is to have a light available for use, as using the Hanukkah lights themselves is forbidden.

December 2011

Temple Beth El JCC Kislev – Tevet 5772

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Temple Beth El Winter Break Dates Temple School Winter Break Dec. 25 –Jan. 4, 2012 Temple School resumes Sunday, Jan. 8, 2012 Hebrew High resume on Jan. 11, 2012</p> <p>Simcha Preschool Winter Break Dec. 19–Jan. 1, 2012 Offices Closed Dec. 26–Jan. 1, 2012</p> </div>				<p>1</p> <p>Exec. Committee Mtg. 8:30am Torah Study, Rabbi Paula 12pm Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class/Basic Judaism 7pm, Rabbi Rick Hebrew I, Rabbi Rick 8pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Shabbat Service Honoring the New Jewish Studies Major at UCSC 7:30pm</p> <p>Shofar Deadline 4:34pm NFTY-CWR Fallinter</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Minyan Vayetze w/ Chadeish Yameinu 10am</p>
<p>4</p> <p>Jewish-A-Lot 9:15am Temple School 9:45am BETY Goes to Petroglyph 1–3pm (out) Jewish Parenting w/ Rabbi Rick 9:45am</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Weekday Minyan 8am Meditation 7pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Temple School 4th–6th Grade 4pm 7th Grade 7pm Hebrew High 7pm</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Torah Study, Rabbi Paula 12pm Twice Blessed Meeting 6:30pm Yiddish Circle 2pm Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class/Basic Judaism 7pm, Rabbi Rick Hebrew I, Rabbi Rick 8pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Shabbat Service 7:30pm</p> <p> 4:33pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Minyan Vayishlach 10am (at First Cong. Church) SRFY Volunteers at Homeless Garden</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Temple School 9:45am 2nd Family Learning 9:45am Jewish Parenting w/ Rabbi Rick 9:45am</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Senior Connections: Ivan Rosenblum 1:30pm</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Weekday Minyan 8am Meditation 7pm General Board Mtg 7pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>4th–6th Grade 4pm 7th Grade 7pm Hebrew High 7pm Simcha Preschool Fundraiser @ Erik's Deli/ Baskin Robbins, 41st Ave, 4–9pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Torah Study, Rabbi Paula 12pm Simcha Chanukah Celebration 6pm Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class/Basic Judaism 7pm, Rabbi Rick Hebrew I, Rabbi Rick 8pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Chanukah Extravaganza Dinner 6pm Chanukah Extravaganza Rock Shabbat 7pm</p> <p> 4:35pm URJ National Biennial</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Minyan Vayeshev 10am Mira Lendahl-Lion Bat Mitzvah 10:15am</p>
<p>18</p> <p>Brotherhood Brunch: NASA's Jonathan Trent 10am Temple School's All-school Bowling Party (Boardwalk Bowl) 11:30am–1:30pm Social Action Committee Meeting (out) 11am</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Sisterhood Meeting</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Weekday Minyan 8am Community Candle Lighting 6:30–7:30pm Meditation 7pm</p> <p> First Night</p>	<p>21</p> <p>4th–6th Grades 4pm 4th Grade Field Trip 4pm 7th Grade /Hebrew High Chanukah Celebration 7pm Rabbi Rick's Annual Dinner for TBE College Students 6pm (out)</p> <p> Second Night</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Yiddish Circle 2pm</p> <p> Third Night</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Shabbat Service 7:30pm</p> <p> 4:38pm Fourth Night</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Minyan Miketz 10am</p> <p> Fifth Night</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Movie Hello, Dolly! & Chinese Take-out Dinner 4pm</p> <p> Sixth Night Christmas Day No Temple School</p>	<p>26</p> <p> Seventh Night Offices Closed</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Weekday Minyan 8am Meditation 7pm Rosh Chodesh Tevet 7pm</p> <p> Eighth Night Offices Closed</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Offices Closed No Temple School</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Offices Closed</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Shabbat Service 7:30pm</p> <p> 4:42pm Offices Closed</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Minyan Vayigash 10am</p> <p>Offices Closed New Year's Eve</p>

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