# Temple Solel's Bar/Bat Mitzvah Overview



# Introduction

Congratulations! You are embarking on a remarkable journey. This binder is intended to familiarize you with details concerning your upcoming simchah. It sets out some of the guidelines and traditions for becoming a Bar/Bat Mitzvah at Temple Solel and is intended to answer many of your questions.

The celebration of a Bar/Bat Mitzvah is a profound religious experience in the life of a Jewish family. The year of Bar/Bat Mitzvah preparation is a process of spiritual growth. Temple Solel is committed to making this event a beautiful, meaningful and sacred event in the life of our members.

It is suggested that each family keep this ceremony in proper focus and perspective. A Bar/Bat Mitzvah is first and foremost a religious ceremony. Through this sacred rite of passage, our children and their families reaffirm their deep connection to Jewish tradition. These guidelines are offered as essential information for directing each family as they prepare for this life cycle event.

# The Philosophy

Although a ceremony marking Bar Mitzvah appears rather late in the Jewish history (later middle ages), in present day Jewish life it has taken on great significance as a major life cycle event. For a Jewish child, it is the first time s/he takes on the project of preparing for a major public act within the Jewish community. At Bar/Bat Mitzvah, a child demonstrates the desire, ability, and willingness to be counted among the adult members of the Jewish community. For parents and relatives, it is a rite of passage, the recognition of changing roles vis-a-vis their son or daughter. The community is able to enjoy the fact that its traditions and standards are being upheld and transmitted.

In light of Jewish tradition, what happens at a Bar/Bat Mitzvah is simple, yet far-reaching. When a child reaches the age of puberty, determined in Talmudic times to be 13 years and one day for boys, and 12 years and one day for girls, two concurrent changes of status take place: s/he becomes "bar/bat da'at" (possessor of knowledge, i.e. able to think and discern well enough to know the difference between right and wrong) and "bar/bat mitzvah" (subject to the commandments, his/her own responsibility). The public ceremony serves to acknowledge these transitions. Neither this statement nor any ceremony however is required for someone to become Bar/Bat Mitzvah. By growing old enough, one is recognized as being obligated under Jewish law. At Temple Solel, both boys and girls celebrate becoming Bar/Bat Mitzvah on or after their thirteenth birthday.

At Temple Solel the Bar/Bat Mitzvah ceremony is a wonderful occasion for the whole congregation to celebrate together, to re-emphasize our notion that we are in some ways a large, extended family, and to *kvell* as our kids make good. Our Religious School and local Day Schools with our B'nai Mitzvah training have taught our children to lead prayers, read Torah and Haftorah, take an active part in our services, and to continue with their Jewish education beyond age 13.

# **Requirements for a Bar/Bat Mitzvah**

The Bar/Bat Mitzvah ceremony is celebrated in our congregation during the Saturday morning Shabbat services. Each child must satisfy the following requirements:

- 1. Student must be enrolled at Raker Religious School or at a Jewish Day School, for at least 4 years prior to the Bar/Bat Mitzvah date (*Those who discontinue their enrollment in a Jewish day school prior to Bar/Bat Mitzvah must enroll in Temple Solel's Raker Religious School*).
- 2. Student's attendance must comply with their Day School or religious school's attendance requirement.
- 3. Student must be able to read Hebrew competently.
- 4. Beginning in 5<sup>th</sup> grade, it is encouraged that students attend Friday night and Shabbat morning services at Temple Solel regularly enough to familiarize themselves with the structure and format of the services.
- 5. Families must be current with fiscal responsibilities at Temple Solel. This includes Bar/Bat Mitzvah fees and Raker Religious School tuition. All fees must be paid (or arrangements made) at least two months before the Bar/Bat Mitzvah date. If a family is in arrears, the date will not be held. If you are having a financial difficulty, please speak with the Executive Director to make arrangements.

# Ongoing Education during the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Preparation Year

The Bar/Bat Mitzvah is not the culmination of Jewish education, but rather a milestone which represents the attainment of a child's thirteenth birthday, and their ability to participate in a Torah service, as part of the Temple Solel community. It is a stepping stone in the education of a Jew. As such, the curriculum for Bar/Bat Mitzvah is integrated within a full-fledged K-12 curriculum of study. By the time our students have their 8<sup>th</sup> grade Aliyah, complete a year of Confirmation (10<sup>th</sup> grade) and graduate from Hebrew High (12<sup>th</sup> grade), they should be fully comfortable with synagogue services, texts and ideas. They should be able to read the megillot as well as Torah and haftorah, lead daily and Shabbat services, be able to study and enjoy the bible and rabbinic texts and know how Jewish thought applies to areas within their own lives.

Although Jewish youth groups, camps and Israel summer programs are excellent supplementary programs for Jewish outgrowth, none of these programs can qualify as a formal Jewish education program. Following the Bar/Bat Mitzvah, the student is encouraged to continue their studies and participation in Raker Religious School and Hebrew High through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

# The Family & Synagogue Professionals: What is Everyone's Role in the Process?

# Parents as Role Models

Parental participation is inherent in the Bar/Bat Mitzvah preparation and Jewish education. To participate fully parents should:

- Put the Bar/Bat Mitzvah date on your calendar as soon as it is assigned
- Coordinate schedules for meetings, tutoring, and practices with the Rabbi and tutor (*make sure the appointments are made and written on calendars*).
- Attend synagogue services and programs regularly, as a family, so that you all become comfortable and familiar with the services.
- Review all the information in this binder and follow the enclosed timeline.
- Provide positive encouragement to your child regarding their progress in Bar/Bat Mitzvah and religious school studies.
- Get involved! While your child is enrolled in the Raker Religious School, come to programs, volunteer—find out how you can get involved. Make it a family affair.
- Help your child find study time for Bar/Bat Mitzvah and other religious school materials
- Keep your son/daughter on track and practicing.
- Become involved in your child's mitzvah project.
- Make an act of tzedakah in honor of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah.
- Kvell, bask in the glow of their offspring's moment!
- Prepare a prayer in honor of their child (samples are enclosed)

# **Bar/Bat Mitzvah Student**

- Enjoy the process of learning, studying, questioning, doing mitzvot
- Ask questions if you don't understand
- Study well, think well, practice well
- Keep up with schoolwork and religious school
- Don't get stressed out by doing too much, don't try to get by doing too little
- Be yourself and trust that this will really be enough
- Prepare as much of the services (competently) as your ability will allow
- Participate in the services actively and respectfully
- You are going to be fabulous!

### Rabbi

- Meet with the Bar/Bat Mitzvah student and family to give an overview of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah process and what to expect in the next 11 months
- Oversee the Bar/Bat Mitzvah speech (D'var Torah), through study together
- Oversee progress in ritual preparation including prayers
- Assist parents, if they ask, with their prayer, etc.
- Prepare a talk to give to the Bar/Bat Mitzvah student on the morning of the services





# Tutor

- Maintain a regular schedule with students for tutoring sessions
- Keep B'nai Mitzvah student progress records
- Teach and polish student's work
- Notify lead Rabbi or Tutor Coordinator if student is missing tutoring sessions or isn't progressing as anticipated
- Take guidance from lead Rabbi regarding material to be covered

The Bar/Bat Mitzvah requirements have been established to make sure that the learning process and the Bar/Bat Mitzvah services provide a meaningful experience for the student and his/her family. In addition, these requirements will insure that we maintain the standards of excellence of the Raker Religious School program. Please feel free to contact one of the rabbis or your tutor with any questions that may arise.



The Mechanics of A Bar/Bat Mitzvah

# How Does a Student Prepare for a Bar/Bat Mitzvah?

Before students begin intensive study for a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, they should be able to read Hebrew. Nine months prior to the scheduled Bar/Bat Mitzvah date students begin meeting with their assigned tutor. This provides plenty of time to focus on study of the Torah portion, and to ensure that the student can read prayers with confidence. In most cases, the combination of the nine-month tutoring schedule, regular class and service attendance, plus conscientious preparation and completion of assignments, is sufficient to prepare a student for his/her Bar/Bat Mitzvah. If additional assistance is needed, the Rabbi, and/or tutor will recommend supplementary private tutoring at the family's expense.

During the tutorial period, each student is given the following material:

- a. A copy of the Torah portion in Hebrew with vowels and without vowels, a translation of it, and a copy of the Haftarah portion.
- b. Copies of all the prayers (and a CD with the prayers chanted), which the Bar/Bat Mitzvah will lead during services.

# **Parents as Involved Partners**

As in any part of a young person's life, parents are supportive partners. It is not expected that a child can prepare for a Bar/Bat Mitzvah alone, or that the meetings with the tutor are sufficient preparation. It is imperative that parents remain involved in the process. Here are some ways to show your involvement.



- a. Read the entire portion with your child, and answer the questions on the worksheet as a family. Sitting with you and discussing the material contained in the Torah portion, provides motivation for your child to practice reading that portion in Hebrew. The worksheet questions stimulate thoughts for discussion in the speech. This is a crucial step in the Bar/Bat Mitzvah process.
- b. Attend services with your child as frequently as possible at Temple Solel. This will help you and your child gain confidence and comfort in participating in Temple Solel's Friday evening and Saturday Shabbat morning services.
- c. As parents demonstrate interest in these things to their child, they will help their child see the essence of this celebration.

# What is the Appropriate Pace of Study in Preparation for a Bar/Bat Mitzvah?

Individual students work and achieve at their own pace. Nonetheless, the following deadlines should be taken very seriously and time budgeted accordingly.

- a. All prayers in the prayer packet must be mastered at least 12 weeks before the Bar/Bat Mitzvah.
- b. The Torah portion with vowel points should be mastered at least 12 weeks before the Bar/Bat Mitzvah.
- c. The Torah portion in the Torah script without vowel points should be mastered at least 7 weeks before the Bar/Bat Mitzvah.
- d. The Haftarah portion should be mastered at least 6 weeks before the Bar/Bat Mitzvah.
- e. The Bar/Bat Mitzvah D'var Torah (speech) should be given to the Rabbi 2 weeks before the first pulpit practice. Clergy reviews the details of the D'var Torah during the meeting that occurs 6 weeks prior to the Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

# Meeting Schedule: D'var Torah and Pulpit Practices

The D'var Torah/speech is discussed and reviewed six weeks prior to the services. The first pulpit practice or rehearsal (PP1) for the Bar/Bat Mitzvah services takes place on a Wednesday 1-1/2 weeks before the event and the final pulpit practice (PP2) occurs on the Wednesday prior to the services. The meeting schedule is preset and sent to the family via email.

# Mitzvah Project

Students are required to commit to a mitzvah project in preparation for their Bar/Bat Mitzvah at Temple Solel. A mitzvah project should include mitzvot of Gimilut Chasidim (*Acts of Loving Kindness*). Students are urged to extend themselves further by participating in additional mitzvah projects during the year and years to come. Clergy will explain the overall concept of a mitzvah project in detail during your 11-month meeting.

# **Bar/Bat Mitzvah Shabbat and Additional Details**

# **Time of Services**

Erev Shabbat Services begin at 6:15 pm each Friday year round with an appetizer Oneg at 5:30 pm prior to the service. Shabbat Morning Services begin at 10:30 am and end at approximately 12:00 pm. The Bar/Bat Mitzvah student with his/her family should be in the sanctuary 30 minutes prior to the beginning of services.

# **Participation at the Friday Night Services**

The family is expected to participate in the Erev Shabbat Services on the Friday night of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah weekend. The Bar/Bat Mitzvah will participate in the candle blessing and chant the Kiddush. Parents will be invited to participate in candle lighting and Kiddush.

# Honors and Family Participation at Shabbat Morning Services

The Bar/Bat Mitzvah takes place within the context of our normal congregational worship services. In order to celebrate this event, every family may honor parents, grandparents, extended family and special friends during the Shabbat morning services. The most familiar honor is the *Aliyah*, reciting the blessings before and after the reading of Torah. People with aliyot should be able to either read the blessings competently in Hebrew or in a transliterated version. *Advance practice is appropriate and recommended.* Copies of the blessings are available in this binder.

Besides the Torah Aliyot there are other honors which might be given. These include: opening or closing the Ark, and undressing and dressing of the Torah.

# What Does the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Do at the Friday Evening and Shabbat Morning Services?

The Bar/Bat Mitzvah student will conduct the following parts of the services:

- a. All liturgy in the prayer packet.
- b. A passage from the Torah scroll, Torah and Haftarah blessings (chanted), and a passage from the Haftarah (chanting from the Torah and Haftarah can be a beautiful element to a service and enhance the child's preparation for Bar/Bat Mitzvah.
- c. The D'var Torah (speech)—the student works with the clergy and the parent and tutor to develop an understanding of the Torah portion and its significance. Additionally, the speech provides an opportunity to teach the congregation what has been learned from the Torah and Haftarah portions, and the entire B'nai Mitzvah experience. This is a suitable time to express thanks to appropriate people.
- d. Chant Kiddush during the Friday evening Shabbat services.

# **Pathfinder and Jewish News**

To highlight your child's simchah in the Pathfinder, our monthly newsletter, please complete and submit the enclosed form with a photo, by email or mail. The photo can be black and white or color and should be a clear, head and shoulders shot. The material should be submitted no later than 1 month before the Bar/Bat Mitzvah.



The Phoenix Jewish News will print a photo and an announcement of your child's Bar/Bat Mitzvah. It is the parents' responsibility to submit a photo and information at least four weeks before their child's date. This must be done online at <u>http://www.jewishaz.com/announcements/mitzvah.mv</u>.

# **Temple Solel Gift Shop**

Talitot, kippot, and other appropriate items may be purchased in our gift shop. Many of the items are from Israel. Purchasing these items through the shop helps support the synagogue.

# What Does the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Fee Include?

The temple charges a flat fee, which includes tutoring and preparation of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah candidate as well as a contribution to the Friday evening oneg by your family. Fees must be paid in full in advance of the celebration. All student families are billed upon receiving a confirmed bar/bat mitzvah date at Temple Solel, roughly 2 years ahead of their event.

Families must be current with fiscal responsibilities at Temple Solel. This includes Bar/Bat Mitzvah fees and Raker Religious School tuition. All fees must be paid (or arrangements made) at least two months before the Bar/Bat Mitzvah date. If a family is in arrears, the date will not be held. If you are having a financial difficulty, please speak with the Executive Director to make arrangements.

# **Room Rentals**

If you would like to have a Shabbat dinner, luncheon or evening party at the temple for your family and friends, an appropriate room is available. For information regarding rentals, please call the temple office at 480.991.7414 and speak with the engagement specialist.

# **Talit and Yarmulke**

At Temple Solel, it is customary for the Bar/Bat Mitzvah student to wear a tallit and yarmulke (kippah). There is a nice selection of both items in the Temple Solel Gift Shop.

Bar/Bat Mitzvah students can be presented a special tallit by a friend or family member. There is a moment at the beginning of the service where a presentation can be done.

# Invitations

When choosing Bar/Bat Mitzvah invitations, please keep in mind that your choice should reflect the religious nature of the celebration.

It is appropriate to invite all the children in your child's religious school or day school class. For religious school names, addresses and phone numbers (a full class list), please contact the Raker Religious School office.

# Honoraria

While it is not expected to send the Rabbi or other members of the staff an honorarium, many people choose to make a donation as a "thank you" to their discretionary funds. It is appropriate to make a donation to the temple as an expression of appreciation.

# Photographers

If you wish to have a photographer for the occasion you are welcome to do so. We require that all picture taking be completed no later than 30 minutes before the beginning of the service. Another alternative is to take your pictures a few days before the ceremony (this should be scheduled through the temple office). Please let the Rabbi know in advance if you would like to take pictures with the *Torah* scroll – these can be taken 30 minutes before the service begins.

As you can imagine, flashes of light, loud clicks, and people moving in the aisles during the service not only affect the decorum but are unfair intrusions on the worship of the congregation and distractions to participants on the bimah. Therefore, for photographs, the camera needs to be stationary (on a tripod) with no shutter sound or additional lighting. The same rule applies for any videotaping that will occur during the service. For any formal photos taken before the service, **please make arrangements with the temple office beforehand** to ensure that the building will be open and staffed during that time. All formal, posed photos need to be completed by 10:00 am, half hour before the Shabbat Morning Services begin at 10:30 am.

# Please encourage your guests not to take photos during the service.

# **Recording the Service**

Videotaping is permitted only if the camera is stationary, in an inconspicuous location, and available room light is used with no additional lighting.

# Streaming

Temple Solel is pleased to offer online streaming of all services which means that family and friends who cannot attend your child's Bar/Bat Mitzvah, may view the entire service on their device via the internet. To do so, you would visit www.templesolel.org a few minutes prior to the 10:30 am service and select "Shabbat Streaming" on the main page.

# MAZON

Many families demonstrate their commitment to the meaning of Judaism on this day by sharing with the needy. *MAZON* suggests that Jews contribute 3% of the cost of the party for every simchah. MAZON distributes that money directly to those who do not have enough to eat. This is another way to give meaning, beyond the superficial, to your family's celebration. MAZON literature is available in the Temple Solel office or at <u>www.mazon.org</u>.

# Tree of Life

A wonderful way to honor and commemorate a Bar/Bat Mitzvah is to donate a leaf to the Temple Solel tree of life. Information on how to do this as well as how to donate prayer books can be obtained at the temple office.

# B'nai Tzedek

We encourage all Bar and Bat Mitzvah students to open a philanthropic fund as part of the B'nai Tzedek teen philanthropy program. A fund requires a contribution of \$180, which is matched by a \$320 donation from the Jewish Community Foundation. Once a year teens make decisions to which charitable organization 5% of their fund will be donated. Raker Religious School assists our B'nai Mitzvah in beginning a fund by donation \$18 in the name of each Bar/Bat Mitzvah at Temple Solel. Contact Andrea Cohen at <u>acohen@jcfphoenix.org</u> for details.



# Temple Solel Bar/Bat Mitzvah Timeline

All B'nai Mitzvah families must be current members in good standing and the student(s) must be enrolled in Raker Religious School or Pardes in order to obtain and retain a bar/bat mitzvah date.

In Advance: **2 Years** (approx.) Families receive a date request mailing to complete, late summer, 2 years out. **B/M Fee Billed** Once the chosen date is confirmed, the family is billed for the Bar/Bat Mitzvah fee. 12 Months Contact the Temple Solel office if you would like to reserve the Social Hall. Kick-off Appt. Prior to this appointment, you will be notified by the rabbis' assistant of your preset (11 mos. approx.) meeting date via email. This introductory meeting is conducted with the Bar/Bat Mitzvah student, parent(s) and the rabbi. Bar/Bat Mitzvah student and parent(s) meet with the rabbi to discuss expectations, mitzvah project, and other pertinent details. 9 Months Bar/Bat Mitzvah student is assigned a tutor and Torah/Haftarah portions and begins meeting with his/her tutor and is given the necessary materials. 1-2 Months Photo and information sheet for the B'nai Mitzvah announcement in the Pathfinder is due to the Temple Solel office. If you choose to submit this form to Jewish News, you are responsible for sending it to Jewish News directly. D'var Torah Prior to the D'var Torah Appointment, you will be notified by the rabbis' assistant via PP1 & PP2 email of the preset D'var Torah (speech) and Pulpit Practice 1 & 2 sessions (PP1 & PP2). These appointments are conducted with the Bar/Bat Mitzvah student, parent(s), rabbi and cantorial soloist and occur during specific times in accordance with the rabbinic calendar and in relation to the Bar/Bat Mitzvah date. 6 Weeks Meeting between the family, the Bar/Bat Mitzvah student and the rabbi to discuss the **D'var Torah** and review the status of the Mitzvah project. Pulpit Practice 1 occurs. Honor Sheet and Hebrew Name 1/2 sheet form from this 1-1/2 Weeks binder are both due to the rabbi at this meeting which is conducted in the sanctuary. Wed. Prior Pulpit Practice 2 occurs and is held in the sanctuary as a rehearsal. Formal Photos If you choose to have formal photos taken that include the rabbi and/or cantorial soloist, there is a specific time that is set aside for this purpose. The hour prior to the start of **Pulpit Practice 2** may be reserved by contacting the rabbi's assistant. The rabbi and cantorial soloist will not be available for formal portraits the day of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Photos During The policy for any photography and/or videotaping that occurs during the service is the Service as follows: Cameras must be stationary (on a tripod) with no shutter sound or additional lighting. The goal is to preserve the solemnity of this life cycle event.

Oneg/Streaming Services Fund sponsorship is embedded in the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Fee. Unless otherwise noted, parent(s)' names will be acknowledged in the Friday night bulletin and monthly Pathfinder newsletter.



# BAR/BAT MITZVAH INFORMATION PATHFINDER – JEWISH NEWS

# Contact: Jelena Santiago at 480.991.7414, Fax 480.951.0829 jsantiago@templesolel.org

Temple Solel would like to publish the announcement of your child's Bar/Bat Mitzvah in the Pathfinder. All information must be submitted to the temple office no later than **1 month prior** to the B/M date unless other arrangements have been made.

Please email a high resolution, 300 dpi or greater, digital photo to the above address. A headshot with a simple background is best for publication.

Jewish News will publish your bar/bat mitzvah announcement, including photo, for FREE! Just visit their website, <u>jewishaz.com</u> and click on "Milestones" and then select "Submit a B'nai Mitzvah" to get the process started.

| FULL NAME OF CHILD:                 |                                    |
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| DATE OF B'NAI MITZVAH:              | <b>TIME:</b> <u>10:30–12:00 pm</u> |
| PARENTS' NAMES (first & last name): |                                    |
| NAME OF SCHOOL CHILD IS ATTENDING:  |                                    |
| HOBBIES AND/OR INTERESTS:           |                                    |
| MITZVAH PROJECT(S) PERFORMED:       |                                    |
| SIGNED:                             |                                    |
| DAYTIME PHONE:                      |                                    |



# **Temple Solel**

# "IT IS A TREE OF LIFE TO THOSE WHO HOLD IT FAST"

In Jewish tradition, trees have long been regarded as a special source of inspiration. The Bible speaks of the beauty of the cedars of Lebanon, the stately palms, the olive and the fir, as representing the very wonder of God's creation. But trees, as well, hold a spiritual significance representing the most enduring values of our faith. The sages taught the custom that when a boy was born, a cedar was planted, and for a girl, a pine; when the two were married a wedding canopy was made of branches. We also learn that a person of wisdom is likened to a tree whose roots are deep, a person who lives righteously to a tree with many branches.

Thus, Temple Solel, with its dedication to Torah deepens our connection to the roots of faith, and with its emphasis on social concern teaches our congregants and children the obligation of *Tikkun Olam*, to repair and renew the world. Temple Solel is indeed a "Tree of Life." Each leaf we dedicate for those we love in celebration of life's joyous moments will surely strengthen this temple as we seek to generate scholarship funds for our students who are in need. The Tree of Life will serve as our source of inspiration to our school and to our children.

The Tree of Life is located inside the sanctuary. Its contemporary structure fits in with the modern décor of our temple. The Tree of Life provides an opportunity for everyone to share the special occasions in their lives with the temple family. Loved ones, friends and members of the congregation will all be able to create permanent remembrances of their joyous events so that future generations will look upon our yesterdays as having been filled with hopes, dreams, and accomplishments.

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Contributions to the Tree of Life, which are tax deductible, should be sent to Temple Solel, 6805 E. McDonald Drive, Paradise Valley, AZ 85253. Each leaf permanently engraved and mounted on the Tree of Life is available for \$180.00. Enclosed is my check for: \$\_\_\_\_\_.

# **Prayer Packet in the Cloud**

Just below, please find a link to the prayers chanted by Cantorial Soloist Todd Herzog. The recording is hosted on <u>www.SoundCloud.com</u>. To listen on your computer, please follow this link (it is recommended that you save the link to your favorites in your browser):

https://soundcloud.com/therzog6805/sets/bnai-mitzvah-prayer-cd

For effective listening on smartphones and tablets, SoundCloud provides a free application for iPhones and Android devices. You may download the free application from iTunes (for Apple devices) or Google Play (for Android devices).

To access the recordings on a mobile device or tablet you are required to create an account – no credit card is required.

Once you've installed the application and created your account, please search for "therzog6805" using the search icon -  $\mathbf{Q}$  - located on the tool bar at the top of the home screen, select "therzog6805," then touch the "Playlists" tab, and select the playlist "B'nai Mitzvah Prayer CD."

Torah and Haftarah portions will be available as playlists on this site as well.



# Bar/Bat Mitzvah Binder Shabbat Service

**Comments & Directions in RED** 

created July 2021

Kabbalat Panim for Shabbat



**הַדְּלָקַת הַגֵּרוֹת** קִדּוּשׁ, עַרְבִית בְּרוּכִים הַבָּאִים שְׁיְרֵי שֵׁבָּת

KABBALAT PANIM — WELCOMING

# BLESSINGS FOR SHABBAT

The candles are lit before the blessing is recited.

BARUCH atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner shel Shabbat. **בְּרוּ**דְּ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר מִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוְּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק גֵר שֶׁל שַׁבָּת.

BLESSED ARE YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle the light of Shabbat.

For Kabbalat Shabbat, turn to page 130.



Shabbat Candle Blessing — The mitzvah of kindling Shabbat lights in the home is an early rabbinic practice (*M. Shabbat 2:1ff.*) The Shabbat candle blessing is first recorded in the ninth-century prayerbook, Seder Rav Amram. Lighting Shabbat candles as part of the synagogue service is an innovation of Reform Judaism.

Candle Blessing **Kiddush, Evening** Welcome Shabbat Songs

יָ**רוּדָ** אַתָּה, יְיָ BARUCH atah, Adonai אַלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, Eloheinu, Melech haolam, בּוֹרֵא פְּרִי הַגָּפֶן. borei p'ri hagafen. בַּרוּדָ אַתַּה, יִי Baruch atah, Adonai אֵלהֵינוּ, מֵלֵדְ הַעוֹלַם, Eloheinu, Melech haolam, אַשֶׁר קדְשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְרָצָה בְנוּ, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'ratzah vanu, ושַבַּת קַדָשו v'Shabbat kodsho בּאַהַבָה וּבָרַצון הָנָחִילַנוּ, b'ahavah uv'ratzon hinchilanu, זַכַּרוֹן לַמַעֵשָׂה בְרָאשִׁית. zikaron l'maaseih v'reishit. כִּי הוּא יוֹם תַּחַלָה לִמִקְרָאַי קְדָשׁ, Ki hu yom t'chilah l'mikra-ei kodesh, זֵכֵר לִיצִיאַת מִצְרֵיִם. zecher litziat Mitzrayim. כּּי בַנוּ בַחַרִתַּ, וָאוֹתַנוּ קַדַּשְׁתַ Ki vanu vacharta, v'otanu kidashta, מַכַּל הַעַמִּים. mikol haamim. ושבת קדשה V'Shabbat kodsh'cha בּאַהַבָה וּבָרָצוֹן הִנְחַלִתָּנוּ. b'ahavah uv'ratzon hinchaltanu. בָּרוּדְ אַתַּה, יִיָ, מִקַדֲשׁ הַשְּׁבָת. Baruch atah, Adonai, m'kadeish HaShabbat.

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine.

Praise to You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe who finding favor with us, sanctified us with mitzvot. In love and favor, You made the holy Shabbat our heritage as a reminder of the work of Creation. As first among our sacred days, it recalls the Exodus from Egypt. You chose us and set us apart from the peoples. In love and favor You have given us Your holy Shabbat as an inheritance.

Praise to You, Adonai, who sanctifies Shabbat.

בְּרוּדְ אַתְּה, יְיָ, מְקַדֵּשׁ הַשַּׁבָּת. Baruch atah, Adonai, m'kadeish HaShabbat.



# Shabbat Morning I

| FOR THOSE WHO WEAR TALLIT  |                       |
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| FOR THOSE WHO WEAR TALLIT  | בְּרוּכִים הַבָּאִים  |
|  | מוֹדָה / מוֹדָה אֲנִי |
| <b>Rabbi</b> : Welcomes All. May invite up tallit presenters. Invites up b/m to say tallit blessing. | שִׁירֵי שַׁבָּת       |
| Presenter may offer some words regarding the specific tallit or what it means to wrap this           |                       |
| tallit around their son/daughter, grandson/granddaughter   | אַשֶׁר יָצַר          |
|  | אֶלֹחֵי נְשָׁמָה      |
|  | נִסְים בְּכָל יוֹם    |
|  |                       |
|  | וְהַעֲרֶב־נָא         |
|  | אַלוּ דְבָרִים        |
|  | קַדִּישׁ דְּרַבָּנָן  |
|  |                       |

# B/M: Recite prayer for tallit

| Baruch atah, Adonai             | בָּרוּדָ אַתָּנה, יְיָ            |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Eloheinu, Melech haolam,        | אֶלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם,      |
| asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav     | אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשֶׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו  |
| v'tzivanu l'hitateif batzitzit. | וְצִנְנוּ לְהִתְעַפֵּף בַּצִיצִת. |

BLESSED ARE YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to wrap ourselves in the fringes.



י אָאָרָט לְהִתְעַפֵּף בַּאִיאָת v'tzivanu l'hitateif batzitzit... commanding us to wrap ourselves in the fringes. This mitzvah is drawn from Numbers 15:38–39.

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### B/M: Shabbat Shalom...on page 74 we begin our service with the singing of Mah Tovu.

MAH TOVU ohalecha, Yaakov, mishk'notecha, Yisrael! Vaani b'rov chasd'cha avo veitecha, eshtachaveh el heichal kodsh'cha b'yiratecha. Adonai, ahavti m'on beitecha um'kom mishkan k'vodecha.

Vaani eshtachaveh v'echraah, evr'chah lifnei Adonai osi.

Vaani t'filati l'cha, Adonai, eit ratzon. Elohim b'rov chasdecha, aneini be-emet yishecha.

HOW FAIR are your tents, O Jacob, your dwellings, O Israel.

I, through Your abundant love, enter Your house; I bow down in awe at Your holy temple.

Adonai, I love Your temple abode, the dwelling-place of Your glory.

I will humbly bow down low before Adonai, my Maker.

As for me, may my prayer come to You, Adonai, at a favorable time. O God, in Your abundant faithfulness, answer me with Your sure deliverance.

The opening words of this passage are from Numbers 24:5 where they are recited by Balaam, the foreign prophet who was commissioned to curse the children of Israel. When he opened his mouth, blessings emerged instead of curses.

וְאָנִי תְּכָלָתִי Vaani t'filati ... As for me, may my prayer ... The Hebrew text has often been creatively rendered as "I am my prayer" — All I have to offer in prayer is myself; my prayer begins in humility. Arthur Green

מָה־סְּבוּ Mah tovu ... How fair ... Numbers 24:5 אַרָּר חַסְדְּך Vaani b'rov chasd'cha ... I, through Your abundant love ... Psalm 5:8 יָיָ, אָהַרְהָתִי Adonai, ahavti ... Adonai, I love ... Psalm 26:8 יַרָאָני תְּכָּלָתִי Vaani t'filati ... As for me, may my prayer ... Psalm 69:14



צִיצַת **מַה־ּקּבוּ** אֵשֶׁר יָצַר אֶלחַי וְשָׁמָה נִסְים בְּכָל יוּם לַעֲסוֹק וְהַעֲרֶב־נָא אֵלּוּ דְבָרִים

בְּרוּכִים הַבָּאִים מוּדָה / מוֹדָה אַני

שירי שבת

קדיש דְרַבְּנָן

אָבוֹא בֵיתֶדּ, אָשְׁתַּחֲנֶה אֶל־הֵיכַל קָדְשְׁדָ בְּיִרְאָתֶדְ. יְיָ, אָהַבְתִּי מְעוֹן בֵּיתֶדְ וּמְקוֹם מִשְׁפַּן כְּבוֹדֶדְ. וּמְנִי אֶשְׁתַּחֵנֶה וְאָכְרָעָה, אֶבְרְכָה לִפְנֵי־יְיָ עִשִׁי. וַאַנִי תְפַלָּתִי־לְדָּ, יָיָ,

מה־טבו אהליד, יצקב,

מִשְׁכִּנֹתֵידָ, יִשְׂרָאֵלי

וַאַנִי בִּרֹב חַסִדָּדָ

עַת רָצּיָן. יְנָבָּצְוּנִי כְּוּ, יְיָ, עֵת רָצוֹן. אֶלֹהִים, בְּרָב־חַסְדָּךָ, עַנְגִי בָּאֶמֶת יִשְׁעֶךָ.

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בְּרוּכִים הַבָּאִים מודה / מודה אני

# B/M: We continue on p.76/77 with the blessing for the body.

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|  | בָרוּד אַתָּה, ייָ                          | שִׁרֵי שַׁבָּת      |
| BARUCH ATAH, Adonai                    | אֶלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶד הָעוֹלָם,                  | צִיצָת              |
| Eloheinu, Melech haolam,               | אֲשֶׁר יָצַרָ אֶת הָאָדָם בְּחָכְמָה        | מַה־שְׁבוּ          |
| asher yatzar et haadam b'chochmah      | וּבָרָא בוֹ נְקָבִים נְקָבִים,              | אַשֶׁר יָצַר        |
| uvara vo n'kavim n'kavim,              | חלולים חלולים.                              | אֱלֹהַי נְשָׁמָה    |
| chalulim, chalulim.                    | גָּלוּי וְיָדְוּעַ לִפְנֵי כִּםֵּא כְבוֹדֶך | נִסִּים בְּכָל יוֹם |
| Galui v'yadua lifnei chisei ch'vodecha | שָׁאִם יִפְּתֵחַ אֶחָד מֵהָם                | לַעֲסוֹק            |
| she-im y'patei-ach echad meihem        | או יִפְתֵם אֶחָד מֵהֶם,                     | וְהַעֲרֶב־נָא       |
| o yisateim echad meihem,               | אִי אֶפְשָׁר לְהִתְקַיֵּם                   | אַלוּ דְבָרִים      |
| i efshar l'hitkayeim                   | וְלַעֲמֹד לְפָנֶידָ.                        | קַדִּישׁ דְרַבְּנָן |
| v'laamod l'fanecha.                    | בְּרוּדְ אַתָּנה, יְיָ,                     |                     |
| Baruch atah, Adonai,                   | רוֹפֵא כָל בָּשָׂר וּמַפְלִיא לַעֲשׂוֹת.    |                     |
|  |   |                     |

B/M:

rofei chol basar umafli laasot.

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who formed the human body with skill, creating the body's many pathways and openings. It is well known before Your throne of glory that if one of them be wrongly opened or closed, it would be impossible to endure and stand before You. Blessed are You, Adonai, who heals all flesh, working wondrously.

# בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, רוֹפֵא כָל בָּשָׂר וּמֵפְלִיא לַעֵשוֹת. Baruch atah, Adonai, rofei chol basar umafli laasot.

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OR

# Shabbat Morning I

# **B/M:**

Welcome

Ani

Tzitzit

Laasok

Kaddish D'Rabanan

V'haarev Na Eilu D'varim

Mah Tovu

BLESSED ARE YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe. With divine wisdom You have made our bodies, Modeh / Modah combining veins, arteries and vital organs into a finely-balanced network. Shabbat Songs Wondrous Maker and Sustainer of life, were one of them to fail how well we are aware! — Asher Yatzar we would lack the strength to stand before You. Blessed are You, Adonai, Elohai N'shamah Source of our health and strength. Nisim B'chol Yom

בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, רוֹפֵא כָל בָּשָׂר וּמַפְלִיא לַעֵשׂוֹת.

Baruch atah, Adonai, rofei chol basar umafli laasot.

# DON'T LET ME FALL

as a stone falls upon the hard ground. And don't let my hands become dry as the twigs of a tree when the wind beats down the last leaves. And when the storm raises dust from the earth with anger and howling, don't let me fall. I have asked for so much, but as a blade of Your grass in a distant wild field lets drop a seed in the lap of the earth and dies away, sow in me Your living breath, as You sow a seed in the earth.

בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, רוֹפֵא כָל בָּשָׂר וּמַפְלִיא לַעֵשׂוֹת.

Baruch atah, Adonai, rofei chol basar umafli laasot.



B/M: On page 78 we continue with the singing of Elohai Neshama, a prayer of appreciation for the soul.

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ברוּכִים הַבָּאִים

שירי שבת

ציצת

מה־טבו

אֲשֶׁר יָצֵר

לַעַסוֹק

וְהַעֲרֶב־נָא

אַלוּ דְבָרִים

קדיש דְרַבְּנָן

אַלהַי נְשָׁמָה

נִסִּים בְּכָל יוֹם

# Sung:

ELOHAI, n'shamah shenatata bi t'horah hi. Atah v'ratah, atah y'tzartah, atah n'fachtah bi, v'atah m'shamrah b'kirbi. Kol z'man shehan'shamah b'kirbi, modeh/modah ani l'fanecha, Adonai Elohai v'Elohei avotai v'imotai, Ribon kol hamaasim, Adon kol han'shamot. Baruch atah, Adonai, asher b'yado nefesh kol chai v'ruach kol b'sar ish.

אַלהי, גְשָׁמָה שֶׁנָתַתָּ בִּי טהורה היא. מודה / מודה אני אַתַּה בְרַאתַהּ, אַתַּה יִצַרְתַה, אַתַּה נְפַחִתָּה בִּי, וִאַתָּה מְשַׁמְרָה בְּקָרְבִּי. כָּל זְמַן שֵׁהַנִּשָׁמָה בִּקּרִבִּי, מוֹדֵה / מוֹדַה אַנִי לִפַנֵידָ, יי אלהי ואלהי אַבותי ואמותי, רַבּוֹן כַּל הַמַּעַשִים, אַדון כַּל הַנִּשַׁמוֹת. בְּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יִיָ אֲשֶׁר בְּיָדוֹ נֶפֶשׁ כָּל חַי וְרְוּחַ כָּל בִּשִׂר אֵישׁ.

MY GOD, the soul You have given me is pure. You created it, You shaped it, You breathed it into me, and You protect it within me. For as long as my soul is within me, I offer thanks to You, Adonai, my God and God of my ancestors, Source of all Creation, Sovereign of all souls. Praised are You, Adonai, in whose hand is every living soul and the breath of humankind.

ַבָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, אֲשֶׁר בְּיָדוֹ נֵפֶשׁ כָּל חֵי וְרְוּחֵ כַּל בִּשָׂר אִישׁ. Baruch atah, Adonai, asher b'yado nefesh kol chai v'ruach kol b'sar ish.



אָלהָי, נְשָׁמָה Elohai, n'shamah ... My God, the soul ... based on B'rachot 60b

אַשֶר בְּיָדוֹ asher b'yado ... in whose hand ... Job 12:10

Rabbi or B/M leads

# נִסִּים בְּכָל יוֹם

NISIM B'CHOL YOM - FOR DAILY MIRACLES

BARUCH atah, Adonai

Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher natan lasechvi vinah l'havchin bein yom uvein lailah. **בָּרוּ**דָּ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר נָתַן לַשֶּׂרְוִי בִינָה לְהַבְּחִין בֵּין יוֹם וּבֵין לְיְלָה.

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has given the mind the ability to distinguish day from night.

| Baruch atah, Adonai      | בָּרוּך אַתָּה, יְיָ         |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Eloheinu, Melech haolam, | אֶלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, |
| pokei-ach ivrim.         | פּוֹקָת עִוְרִים.            |

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who opens the eyes of the blind.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, matir asurim.

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who frees the captive.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, zokeif k'fufim. בּרוּך אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶך הָעוֹלָם, זוֹקֵף כְּפוּפִים.

בָּרוּדָ אַתָּה, יִיָ

מתיר אסורים.

אֵלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם,

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who lifts up the fallen.

Nisim b'chol yom . . . For daily miracles . . . These morning blessings evoke wonder at awakening to physical life: we open our eyes, clothe our bodies, and walk again with purpose; in spiritual life also, we are created in God's image, are free human beings, and as Jews, celebrate the joy and destiny of our people, Israel.

Though they are intended literally, we may perceive each blessing spiritually.

For Daily Miracles — Inspiration for blessings three to five comes from Psalm 146:7–8.

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For vision

For awakening

For the ability to stretch

For rising to the new day

Shabbat Morning I

# Rabbi leads

# נִסִּים בְּכָל יוֹם

NISIM B'CHOL YOM — FOR DAILY MIRACLES

BARUCH atah, Adonai

Eloheinu, Melech haolam, roka haaretz al hamayim.

> PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who stretches the earth over the waters.

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who strengthens our steps.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, hameichin mitzadei gaver. בּּרוּדָ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, הַמֵּכִין מִצְעֲדֵי גָבֶר.

**בְּרוּדְ** אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלהַינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם,

רוקע האָרָץ על הַמַיִם.

For the gift of motion

For firm earth to stand upon

> For clothing the body

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, malbish arumim.

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who clothes the naked.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, hanotein laya-eif ko-ach.

> PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who gives strength to the weary.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, hamaavir sheinah mei-einai, ut'numah mei-afapai. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, הַמַּעֲבִיר שֵׁנָה מֵעֵינַי, וּתַנוּמַה מֵעֵפָעַפֵּי.

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who removes sleep from the eyes, slumber from the eyelids.

מַלְבִּישׁ עֲרֻמִּים. the universe,

בּרוּד אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם,

בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יִיָ אֶלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, הַנּוֹתֵן לַיָּעֵף כְּחַ

For renewed enthusiasm for life



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# נִסִּים בְּכָל יוֹם

NISIM B'CHOL YOM — FOR DAILY MIRACLES

BARUCH atah, Adonai

**Rabbi leads** 

Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asani b'tzelem Elohim.

> PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who made me in the image of God.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asani ben/bat chorin.

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has made me free.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asani Yisrael.

> PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has made me a Jew.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, ozeir Yisrael bigvurah.

> PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who girds Israel with strength.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, oteir Yisrael b'tifarah.

> PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who crowns Israel with splendor.

בּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁעָשַׂנִי יִשְׂרָאַל.

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אוזר ישראל בּגבורה.

אֶלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם,

עוטר יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּתִפְאָרָה.

For being a Jew

For purpose

For being in the image of God

For being a free person



Shabbat Morning 1

# Rabbi: On p.86 we continue with the blessing for sacred study.

| Basic Citano Antonio             | אים הָבָּאים B/M:                                  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| BARUCH atah, Adonai              | מוֹדָה / מוֹדָה אֲגִי בָּרוּדָ אֲתָּה, יְיָ        |
| Eloheinu, Melech haolam,         | שִׁירֵי שַׁבָּת אֱלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶך הָעוּלָם,         |
| asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav      | ציצת אַשֶׁר קדְשָׁנוּ הַמִצְוֹתָיו                 |
| v'tzivanu laasok b'divrei Torah. | מַה־שְׁבּוּ וְצִוְּנוּ לַעֲסוֹק בְּדִבְרֵי תוֹרָה. |

BLESSED ARE YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to engage with words of Torah.

V'HAAREV NA Adonai Eloheinu et divrei Torat-cha b'finu, uv'fi amcha beit Yisrael, v'nih'yeh anachnu v'tze-etza-einu, v'tze-etza-ei amcha beit Yisrael, kulanu yodei sh'mecha, v'lomdei Toratecha lishmah. Baruch atah, Adonai, ham'lameid Torah l'amo Yisrael. רַנְאַרָב־נָא יְיָ אֶלהַיְעוּ אֶת־דִּבְרֵי תוֹרָתְדָ בְּפִינוּ, וּבְפִי עַמְדָ בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְנְהְיֶה אֲנַחְנוּ וְצָאֶצָאֵינוּ, וְצָאֶצָאֵי עַמְדָ בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְצָאֶצָאֵי עַמְדָ בֵּית יִשְׁכָאַל, וְלוֹמְדֵי תוֹרָתֶדְ לִשְׁמָה. בְּרוּדְ אַתִּה יְיָ, הַמְלַמֵּד תּוֹרָה לְעַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל.

O ADONAI, our God,

let the words of Torah be sweet in our mouths and the mouths of Your people Israel, so that we, our descendants and the descendants of all Your people Israel may know You, by studying Your Torah for its own sake. Blessed are You, Adonai, who teaches Torah to Your people Israel.

בָּרוּדְ אֵתָּה, יְיָ, הַמְלַמֵּד תּוֹרָה לְעַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל.

Baruch atah, Adonai, ham'lameid Torah l'amo Yisrael.

"Descendants" includes men and women who embrace the Jewish people and faith.

The two blessings above (derived from *B'rachot 11b*) are both Torah blessings and introduce the study which follows on pages 205, 207, 209, and 211.

לאַסוֹק *Eilu d'varim* ... *These are things* ... The traditional placement of these prayers differs. Here they are linked to emphasize the study of Torah and its influence on our daily ethical behavior.



אַשֶׁר יָצַר

לַעַסוֹק

**וְהַעֵּרֶב־נָא** אֵלוּ דְבָרִים

קַדִּישׁ דְרַבְּנָן

אלהי נשמה

נִסְים בְּכָל יוֹם

# Rabbi: (or p.88)

Modeh / Modah Ani Shabbat Songs

Welcome

Tzitzit

Mah Tovu

Asher Yatzar

Elohai N'shamah

Nisim B'chol Yom

Laasok

V'haarev Na

Eilu D'varim

Kad**d**ish D'Rabanan WE SEEKERS of God, how do we find You? In good deeds and in the study of Torah. And Your search for us? You find us in the bending of the knee, in the bending of the knee, in the rigor of study, in the honesty of commerce, through a good heart, through decency, in respect, true fellowship, companionship and love, through truth and peace, in the No that is really No, and the Yes that is really Yes.

בְּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, הַמְלַמֵּד תּוֹרָה לְעַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאַל. Baruch atah, Adonai, ham'lameid Torah l'amo Yisrael.

FROM THE COWARDICE that shrinks from new truth, from the laziness that is content with half-truths, from the arrogance that thinks it knows all truth, O God of truth, deliver us. Blessed is Adonai, Teacher of Torah to Your people Israel.

ָבְרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, הַמְלַמֵּד תּוֹרָה לְעַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאַל. Baruch atah, Adonai, ham'lameid Torah l'amo Yisrael.

Six Torah episodes are to be remembered each day, to refine our direction:

יציאַת מִצְרָיָם Y'tziat Mitzrayim: Recall the Exodus from Egypt — depart from whatever enslaves.

עָמָלֵק Amalek: Recall Amalek who attacked from behind — be on guard against evil.

מַעֲמַד הַר סִינָי Maamad Har Sinai: Recall standing at Sinai — make Torah part of your daily life.

מְעָשֵׂה אֵגֶל הַזָּהָב Maaseh Eigel HaZahav: Recall the Golden Calf — keep material desires in check and be wary of heresy.

קֹרָת *Korach:* Recall Korach's rebellion — prevent ego from misleading and destroying your way.

שָׁבָת Shabbat: Recall the first gift, Shabbat — welcome Shabbat holiness each week.

Whether modern Jews believe that it is actually the word of God or some distillation of numerous ancient texts, Torah — the study of it, the interpretation of it, the struggle with it — is what committed Jews continue to base their faith upon. No moment in a Jew's life — not a *brit milah*, not a sunset, not the descent into death itself — is without its accompanying text, which in turn has its ultimate basis in the original text itself, the Torah. *Adam Sol* 

We seekers of God . . . adapted from Seder Eliyahu Rabba 23



| EILU d'varim she-ein lahem shiur,     | לי דְבָרִים שָׁאֵין לָהֶם שִׁעוּר, 🎇     | בְּרוּכִים הַבָּאִים   |
|---------------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| she-adam ocheil peiroteihem           | שָּׁאָדָם אוֹכֵל פֵּרוֹתֵיהָם            | מוֹדֶה / מוֹדָה אֲנִי  |
| baolam hazeh                          | בָּעוֹלָם הַזֶּה                         | שִׁירֵי שַׁבָּת        |
| v'hakeren kayemet lo laolam haba.     | וְהַקֶּרֶן קַיֶּמֶת לוֹ לָעוֹלָם הַבָּא. | ציאת                   |
| V'eilu hein:                          | וְאֵלוּ הַן:                             | מַה־טָבוּ              |
| kibud av va-eim,                      | כָּבּוּד אָב וָאֵם,                      | 22.2.8.991 - 175.61320 |
| ug'milut chasadim,                    | וּגְמִילוּת חֲסָדִים,                    | אֲשֶׁר יָצַר           |
| v'hashkamat beit hamidrash            | וְהַשְׁכָּמַת בֵּית הַמִּדְרָשׁ          | אֱלֹהַי נְשָׁמָה       |
| shacharit v'arvit,                    | שַׁחֲרִית וְעַרְבִית,                    | נִסְּים בְּכָל יוֹם    |
| v'hachnasat orchim,                   | וְהַכְנָסַת אוֹרְחִים,                   | לַעֲסוֹק               |
| uvikur cholim,                        | וּבִקוּר חוֹלִים,                        | וְהַעֲרֶב־נָא          |
| v'hachnasat kalah,                    | ןהַכְנָסַת פַּלָה,                       | אֵלּוּ דְבָרִים        |
| ul'vayat hameit,                      | וּלְנָיַת הַמֵּת,                        | קַדּישׁ דְרַבְּנָן     |
| v'iyun t'filah,                       | ןעיון הְנִפִּלָה,                        |                        |
| vahavaat shalom bein adam lachaveiro. | וַהֲבָאֵת שָׁלוֹם בֵּין אָדָם לַחֲבֵרו.  |                        |
| V'talmud Torah k'neged kulam.         | וְתַלְמוּד תּוֹרָה כְּנֶגֶד כֵּלָם.      |                        |

# **Rabbi:** (or p.86)

THESE ARE THINGS that are limitless, of which a person enjoys the fruit of the world, while the principal remains in the world to come. They are: honoring one's father and mother, engaging in deeds of compassion, arriving early for study, morning and evening, dealing graciously with guests, visiting the sick, providing for the wedding couple, accompanying the dead for burial, being devoted in prayer, and making peace among people. But the study of Torah encompasses them all.

קבוד אָב וָאָם Kibud av va-eim — honoring one's father and mother. What can it mean to honor? Sometimes honoring one's parent is not easy. The word קבוד אָנט, honor, has as its root קבר kaveid — heavy; it can be a burden to honor another. In honoring those who have given us life or sustenance, we honor the Source of Life. Elyse D. Frishman

וְהַשְׁכָּמַת בֵּית הַמִדְרָשׁ V'hashkamat beit hamidrash ... arriving early for study ... The Rabbis understood this to convey enthusiasm and earnestness. Yoel Kahn

תַּלְמוּד תּוֹרָה Talmud Torah, the study of Torah offers the knowledge of what is right and how to live justly. Jewish study includes the expectation that the lessons will be applied to life.

אָלו דְבָרִים Eilu d'varim ... These are things ... based on Peah 1:1 שָאָדָם אוֹכֵל She-adam ocheil ... of which a person enjoys ... Shabbat 127a



אשרי

### ברוד שאמר **B/M:** Our introductory prayers come to a close with the singing of Psalm 150, p.100 מזמור צ"ב PSALM 150:1-6 מזמור קמ"ה מזמור ק"נ HAL'LU YAH! לו יה! נִשְׁמֵת כֵּל חֵי לו־אַל בַּקָדשו, Hal'lu El b'kodsho, ישתבח הַלְלוּהוּ בְּרְקֵיעַ עָזוֹ. hal'luhu birkia uzo. חצי קדיש הַלְלִוּהוּ בַּגָבוּרֹתֵיו, Hal'luhu bigvurotav, הַלְלִוּהוּ כִּרֹב גְּדָלוֹ. hal'luhu k'rov gudlo. הַלְלִוּהוּ בְּתֵקַע שׁוֹפַר, Hal'luhu b'teika shofar, הַלְלִוּהוּ בְּנֵבֵל וְכִנּוֹר. hal'luhu b'neivel v'chinor. הַלְלִוּהוּ בַּתֹּף וּמַחוֹל, Hal'luhu b'tof umachol, הַלְלוּהוּ הַמִנִּים וְעוּגָב. hal'luhu b'minim v'ugav. הַלְלִוּהוּ בַּצַלְצַלִי־שָׁמַע, Hal'luhu b'tziltz'lei shama, ַהַלְלִוּהוּ בִּצְלָצְלֵי־תָרוּעַה. hal'luhu b'tziltz'lei t'ruah. כל הַנִּשְׁמַה תַּהַלָל יַה, Kol han'shamah t'haleil Yah, הַלְלוּ־יַהּי Hal'lu Yah!

# HALLELUJAH!

Praise God in God's sanctuary; praise God in the sky, God's stronghold. Praise God for mighty acts; praise God for God's exceeding greatness. Praise God with blasts of the horn; praise God with harp and lyre. Praise God with timbrel and dance; praise God with lute and pipe. Praise God with resounding cymbals; praise God with loud-clashing cymbals. Let all that breathes praise God. Hallelujah!

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Shabbat Morning I

# B/M: We continue with the Chatzi Kaddish on p.106 (sung by Cantorial Soloist)

YITGADAL v'yitkadash sh'meih raba b'alma di v'ra chiruteih, v'yamlich malchuteih b'chayeichon uv'yomeichon uv'chayei d'chol beit Yisrael, baagala uvizman kariv, v'imru: Amen.

Y'hei sh'meih raba m'varach l'alam ul'almei almaya.

Yitbarach v'yishtabach v'yitpaar v'yitromam v'yitnasei, v'yit'hadar v'yitaleh v'yit'halal sh'meih d'kudsha b'rich hu, l'eila min kol birchata v'shirata, tushb'chata v'nechemata, daamiran b'alma, v'imru: Amen.

| •   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| <b>יְתְגַּדַּל</b> וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא | בָּרוּדְ שֶׁאָמַר |
| ְּעָלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כִרְעוּתֵה <i>ּ</i> ,      | מזמור צ"ב         |
| וְיַמְלִידְ מַלְכוּתֵה                          | אַשְׁרַי          |
| בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן                    | מִזְמוֹר קמ״ה     |
| וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל,              | מִזְמוֹר ק״נ      |
| בַּעַגָלָא וּבִזְמַן קָרִיב,                    | נִשְׁמַת כָּל חַי |
| וְאִמְרוּ: אָמֵן.                               | יִשְׁפּגבַּח      |
|   |                   |

יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַדָּ לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא.

ּיִתְּבָּרַדְּ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְּפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא, וְיִתְהַדַּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלַל שְׁמֵה דְּקַדְשָׁא בְּרִידְ הוּא, לְגַלָּא מִן כָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא, תַּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחֶמָתָא, דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא, וְאִמְרוּ: אָמֵן.

EXALTED and hallowed be God's great name, in the world which God created, according to plan. May God's majesty be revealed in the days of our lifetime and the life of all Israel speedily, imminently. To which we say: Amen.

Blessed be God's great name to all eternity.

Blessed, praised, honored, exalted, extolled, glorified, adored, and lauded be the name of the Holy Blessed One, beyond all earthly words and songs of blessing, praise, and comfort. To which we say: Amen.

God can hardly be listening to the actual words of our prayers: how unendingly boring to hear such repetition days without number! And anyone who prays with any regularity or sincerity knows that the same prayers mean different things on different readings. Instead, each prayer is a metaphoric representation of the speaker's heart and mind. Now to God, that is an interesting and unending text, ever-changing, and God is the ultimate reader of nuance and allusion. *Adam Sol* 



חצי קדיש

| <b>B/M:</b> Please rise for the Barchu, the Call to Worship, on p.108 |                                       | ₹ÇCf                |
|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| (Cantorial Soloist leads - face ark)                                  | יוֹצֵר                                |                     |
|   |                                       | אַהָבָה רַבָּה      |
|   |                                       | שְׁמַע              |
| וברכותיה  | てないない                                 | וְאָהַבְתָּ         |
|   |                                       | לְמַעַן הָזְבְרוּ   |
| SH'MA INIDCHOTEHA SH'MA AND ITS DIESSINGS                             | וַיּאַמֶר יְיָ                        |                     |
| SH'MA UVIRCHOTEHA — SH'MA AND ITS BLESSINGS                           |                                       | אֱמֶת וְיָצִיב      |
|   |                                       | <u>אַי־כָּמְכָה</u> |
| BAR'CHU et Adonai ham'vorach!   | <b>בְרְכו</b> ּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָדִּי |                     |
| Baruch Adonai ham'vorach  | בָּרוּדְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָדְ              |                     |
| l'olam va-ed!   | לְעוּלָם וְעֶדי                       |                     |
|   |                                       |                     |
| $\operatorname{P}$ RAISE ADONAI to whom prai                          | se is due forever!                    |                     |
|   | 1                                     |                     |

PRAISE ADONAI to whom praise is due forever! Praised be Adonai to whom praise is due, now and forever!

(turn back to podium mic)



For those who choose: The prayer leader at the word בְּרְכוּ *Bar'chu* (the call to worship) bends the knees and bows from the waist, and at *Adonai* stands straight. *ברוך אברוך Baruch Adonai* is the communal response, whereupon the community repeats the choreography of the first line.

תּתְבָּרַדְ, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ,

יפארוד סלה.

עַל שָׁבַח מַעֵשָׂה יַדֵיד

ועל מאורי אור שעשית,

אור חַדַש עַל צִיוֹן תַּאָיר,

ונזכה כַלַנוּ מְהֶרָה לָאורוֹ.

# **B/M leads:** p.110

BARUCH atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, yotzeir or uvorei choshech, עשה שָׁלוֹם וּבוֹרֵא אֵת־הַכּל. oseh shalom uvorei et hakol. Hamei-ir laaretz v'ladarim aleha b'rachamim, וּבָטוּבוֹ מְחַדֵּשׁ בְּכַל יוֹם תַּמִיד uv'tuvo m'chadeish b'chol yom tamid maaseih v'reishit. Mah rabu maasecha, Adonai, kulam b'chochmah asita, mal'ah haaretz kinyanecha. Titbarach, Adonai Eloheinu, al shevach maaseih yadecha v'al m'orei or she-asita, y'faarucha selah. Or chadash al Tzion tair, v'nizkeh chulanu m'heirah l'oro. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יִיָ, יוֹצֵר הַמְּאוֹרוֹת. Baruch atah, Adonai, yotzeir ham'orot.

PRAISED ARE YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, Creator of light and darkness, who makes peace and fashions all things. In mercy, You illumine the world and those who live upon it. In Your goodness You daily renew creation. How numerous are Your works, Adonai! In wisdom, You formed them all, filling the earth with Your creatures. Be praised, Adonai our God, for the excellent work of Your hands, and for the lights You created, may they glorify You. Shine a new light upon Zion, that we all may swiftly merit its radiance. Praised are You, Adonai, Creator of all heavenly lights.

בָּרוּדְ אַתַּה, יִיָ, יוֹצֵר הַמָּאוֹרוֹת.

Baruch atah, Adonai, yotzeir ham'orot.

אור חַדָש עַל צִיוֹן תָאָיר Or chadash al Tzion ta-ir . . . Shine a new light upon Zion . . . Classical Reform prayerbook authors in the Diaspora consistently omitted this line with its mention of Zion from the liturgy because of their opposition to Jewish nationalism. With the restoration of this passage to Mishkan T'filah, our movement consciously affirms its devotion to the modern State of Israel and signals its recognition of the religious significance of the reborn Jewish commonwealth. David Ellenson

דָרוּך אַתָּה, יִיָּצָר אוֹר וּבוֹרֵא חְשֶׁך Baruch atah, Adonai . . . yotzeir or uvorei choshech . . . Praised are You, Adonai . . . Who forms light and creates darkness . . . based on Isaiah 45:7

מה רבו Mah rabu ... How numerous ... Psalm 104:24

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<u>רוד א</u>תָה, יִי בְּרְכוּ אַלהִינוּ, מֵלָדְ הַעוּלָם, יוצר יוצר אור ובורא חשך, אהבה רבה שמע המאיר לארץ ואַתְבָתָ וְלַדַּרִים עַלֵיהַ בְּרַחֵמִים, למען הזכרו ויאמר יי מַעשה בראשית. אמת ויציב מָה רַבּוּ מַעַשֵּׂידָ, יִיָ מִי־כָמִכָה כָּלָם בּחַרִמָה עַשִׂיתַ, ַמָלָאַה הַאָרֵץ קִנְיַנֵיִדָּ.

# Rabbi & Cantorial Soloist do this page

AHAVAH rabah ahavtanu, Adonai Eloheinu, chemlah g'dolah viteirah chamalta aleinu. Ba-avur avoteinu v'imoteinu shebat'chu v'cha vat'lamdeim chukei chayim, kein t'choneinu ut'lamdeinu. Ham'racheim, racheim aleinu, v'tein b'libeinu l'havin ul'haskil, lishmo-a, lilmod ul'lameid, lishmor v'laasot ul'kayeim et kol divrei talmud Toratecha b'ahavah.

אַהְבָה יַבָּה אֲהַבְּתָּנוּ, יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ, . הֶמְלָה גְדוֹלָה וִיתַרָה חָמַלְתָּ עָלֵינוּ. בַּעֲבוּר אֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ שֶׁבָּטְחוּ בְדָ וְתַלַמְדֵם חֻקֵּי חַיִּים, כֵּן תְּחָנֵנוּ וּתַלַמְדֵם חַקֵּי חַיִּים, רַחֵם עָלֵינוּ, וְתַן בְּלִבֵּנוּ לְהָבִין וּלְהַשְׂכִּיל, לִשְׁמְעַ, לְלְמֹד וּלְלַמֵּד, לִשְׁמֹר וְלַעֲשׂוֹת וּלְקַיֵּם אֶת־כָּל־דָּבְרֵי תַלְמוּד תּוֹרָתֶדְ בְּאַהַבָּה.

HOW DEEPLY You have loved us Adonai, our God, gracing us with surpassing compassion! On account of our forebears whose trust led You to teach them the laws of life, be gracious to us, teaching us as well. O Merciful One, have mercy on us by making us able to understand and discern, to heed, learn, and teach, and, lovingly, to observe, perform, and fulfill all that is in Your Torah.

V'ha-eir eineinu b'Toratecha, v'dabeik libeinu b'mitzvotecha, v'yacheid l'vaveinu l'ahavah ul'yirah et sh'mecha, v'lo neivosh v'lo nikaleim, v'lo nikasheil l'olam va-ed. Ki v'sheim kodsh'cha hagadol v'hanora batachnu, nagilah v'nism'chah bishuatecha. Vahavi-einu l'shalom mei-arba kanfot haaretz, v'tolicheinu kom'miyut l'artzeinu. Ki El po-eil y'shuot atah, uvanu vacharta v'keiravtanu l'shimcha hagadol selah be-emet, l'hodot l'cha ul'yachedcha b'ahavah. Baruch atah, Adonai, habocheir b'amo Yisrael b'ahavah. , gracing us with surpassing led You to teach them the laws ful One, have mercy on us learn, and teach, and, lovingly, ה. וְהָאַר אֵינֵינוּ בְּתוֹרָתֶרָ, וְהַשֵּר לְבֵנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֶיךָ, וְזַחֵד לְבָבֵנוּ לָאַהַבָה וּלִירְאָה אֶת־שְׁמֶךָ,

ּוְדַבֵּק לִבֵּנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֶיֹדָ, וְיַחֵד לְבָבֵנוּ לְאַהֲבָה וּלְיִרְאָה אֶת־שְׁמֶדָ, וְלֹא נִבָּוֹשׁ וְלֹא נִכָּלֵם, כִּי בְשֵׁם קָדְשְׁדָ הַגָּדוֹל וְהַנּוֹרָא כִּי בְשֵׁם קָדְשְׁדָ הַגָּדוֹל וְהַנּוֹרָא בְּטָחְנוּ, נָגִילָה וְנִשְׂמְחָה בִּישׁוּעָתֶדָ. הַאֶרֶץ, וְתוֹלִיכֵנוּ קוֹמְמִיּוּת לְאַרְצֵנוּ. הַאֶרֶץ, וְתוֹלִיכֵנוּ קוֹמְמִיּוּת אֶתָּה, וּבְנוּ בָחַרְתָּ הַאֶרֶץ, וְתוֹלִיכֵנוּ קוֹמְמִיּוּת אֶתָּה, וּבְנוּ בָחַרְתָּ הַאֶרֶץ, וְתוֹלִיכֵנוּ קוֹמְמִיּוּת אֶתָּה, וּבְנוּ הַבָּוּדוֹת לְדָ וְלָיַחֶדְדָ בְּאַהֲבָה. בְּרוּךָ אַתָּה, יָיָ הַבּוֹחֵר בַּעַמּוֹ יָשִׂרָאַל בָּאַהֲבָה.

Enlighten our eyes with Your Torah, focus our minds on Your mitzvot, unite our hearts in love and reverence for Your Name. Then we will never feel shame, never deserve rebuke, and never stumble. Having trusted in Your great and awesome holiness, we shall celebrate Your salvation with joy.

Gather us in peace from the four corners of the earth and lead us upright to our land. For You, O God, work wonders. You chose us. Truly, You drew us near to Your Great Name, that we might acknowledge You, declaring You One in love. Praised be You, Adonai, who chooses Your people Israel in love.

> בְּרוּדְ אַתְּה, יְיָ, הַבּוֹחֵר בְּעַמוֹ יִשְׂרָאַל בְּאַהֲבָה. Baruch atah, Adonai, habocheir b'amo Yisrael b'ahavah.

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Shabbat Morning I

יוּצֵר אַקַבָּה רָבָּה שְׁמע וְאָהַבְתָ לְמַעֵן תּזְכָרוּ נַיּאַמֶר וְיָ אֶמֶת וְיָצִיב מי־כַמַכָּה

בָּרְכוּ



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# בָּרוּדְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

Baruch shem k'vod malchuto l'olam va-ed. Blessed is God's glorious majesty forever and ever.



**B/M:** Please be seated...on p.116, we continue with the V'ahavta.

The enlarged ד ayin at the end of שמע Shima (Hear) and the enlarged ד dalet at the end of האחד echad (one) combine to spell עד eid (witness). We recite the Shima to bear witness to the Oneness of God.

בְרוּך שֵׁם כְּבוֹד Baruch shem kvod ... Blessed is God's glorious ... M. Yoma 3:8, inspired by Nehemiah 9:5



# שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָה אֶחִדי

Sh'ma Yisrael, Adonai Eloheinu, Adonai Echad! Hear, O Israel, Adonai is our God, Adonai is One!



שָׁמַע יִשָּׂרָאֵל Shma Yisrael ... Hear, O Israel ... Deuteronomy 6:4

# B/M:

V'AHAVTA et Adonai Elohecha, b'chol l'vav'cha uv'chol nafsh'cha uv'chol m'odecha. V'hayu had'varim ha-eileh asher anochi m'tzavcha hayom al l'vavecha. V'shinantam l'vanecha v'dibarta bam b'shivt'cha b'veitecha uv'lecht'cha vaderech uv'shochb'cha uv'kumecha. Ukshartam l'ot al yadecha v'hayu l'totafot bein einecha. Uch'tavtam al m'zuzot beitecha uvisharecha. ן אָהַדְרָבְּלָ אֵת יִיָ אֶלֹהֻיִדְ בְּכָלֹ־לְבְרָדְ וּבְכָל־נַפְשְׁדָ וּבְכָל־ מְאֹדֶדְּ: וְהֻׂיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵׁלֶה מְאֹדֶדְ: וְהֻׁיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצַוּדְ הַדְּבָרִים עַל־ לְבָבֶדְ: וְשִׁנְתָם לְבָנֶידְ וּדבַּרְתָ בְּכֶר וְּבְשָׁרְתָּ בְּבֵיתֶדְ וּבְקוּמֶדְ: בְּדֶרָדְ וְבְשָׁרְתָּ וּקְשַׁרְתָם לְאוֹת עַל־יָדֶדְ וְהָיוּ עַל־מִזֶּזְת בֵּיוָ עֵינֶידְ: וּבְשִׁעְרֵידְ:

בּרְכוּ יוֹצֵר שְׁמַע שְׁמַע **וְשָׁתַּרְתָ** נִיְּאַמֶר וְיָצִיב שֶׁכֶּת וְיַצִיב מִי־כָמְכָה

YOU SHALL LOVE Adonai your God with all your heart,

with all your soul, and with all your might.

Take to heart these instructions with which I charge you this day.

Impress them upon your children.

Recite them when you stay at home and when you are away,

when you lie down and when you get up.

Bind them as a sign on your hand and let them serve as a symbol on your forehead; inscribe them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Continue or turn to pages 236-237.

| L'maan tizk'ru, vaasitem et               | לְמַעַן תִּזְכְּרֹוּ וַאֲשִׂיתָ,ם אָת־     |
|---|--|
| kol mitzvotai vih'yitem k'doshim          | כָּל־מִצְוֹתָי וְהִייתָם קִדשָׁים          |
| l'Eloheichem. Ani Adonai Eloheichem asher | לַאלְהַיכֶם: אֲצִׁי יְיָ אֶלְהֵיכָם אֲשָׁר |
| hotzeiti et-chem mei-eretz                | הוֹצַאתי אֶתְכָם מֵאָרֶץ                   |
| Mitzrayim lih'yot lachem l'Elohim         | מִצְרַיִם לִהְיוֹת לָכֶם לֵאלהָיִם         |
| ani Adonai Eloheichem.                    | אַנָי יְיָ אֶלֹהֵיכֶם:                     |

Thus you shall remember to observe all My commandments and to be holy to your God.

I am Adonai, your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt to be your God: I am Adonai your God.

> **יִיָּ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם אֱמֶת**. Adonai Eloheichem EMET.

Turn to pages 238-239.

For those who choose: At the end of the שָׁמַע Shima, after the words אָלהִיכֶם Adonai Eloheichem, the word אָלהִיכֶם emet ("true") is added as an immediate affirmation of its truth.

וָאָהַבְתָ V'ahavta ... You shall love ... Deuteronomy 6:5-9

לְמָעַן הָזְכְרוּ Limaan tizk'ru ... Thus you shall remember ... Numbers 15:40-41



Bar'chu

Yotzeir

Shma

Vahavta

L'maan tizk'ru

Emet v'Yatziv

Mi Chamochah

Vayomer Adonai

Ahavah Rabbah

### B/M: We continue with the prayer for freedom on p.121

B/M: אָאָטָר EMET, there is no place where You are not; even in the wilderness there is Your word.

> אָאָת EMET, that pen strokes of lightning, white fire, black flame, stir the soul's passion, guide our sacred way. True and enduring is Torah.

Your truth for us is certain and established, now and forever more. Like Moses, Miriam and all Israel, we sing out and rejoice!

### OR

B/M: TH

THE ETERNAL TRUTH

is that You alone are God and there is none else.

May the righteous of all nations

rejoice in Your love and exult in Your justice.

Let them beat their swords into plowshares

and their spears into pruning hooks.

Let nation not lift up sword against nation nor learn war any more.

You shall not hate your brother or your sister in your heart.

The stranger that sojourns with you

shall be accepted as your equal,

for you were strangers in the land of Egypt.

"Why do you crush My people and oppress the poor?" asks God.

We know that the Eternal One defends the poor

and upholds the rights of the needy.

Praise to God Most High;

blessed is God and deserving of blessing!



<u>אַמָת ויאַיב Emet v'yatziv</u>... true and enduring... We join the last words of the Shima to Emet as a statement of ongoing commitment to the truth. God's word is the promise that we will survive evil and uphold the vision of freedom and peace. This prayer affirms that God is the sole power in the universe and that God has the power to bring about redemption.

*Emet... true...* In Hebrew, the three letters א, א *Alef-Mem-Tav* are the first, middle and last letters of the Hebrew alphabet. Truth is all-inclusive. *Elyse D. Frishman* 

מִמִּאְרְיָם גְּאַלְתָּנוּ MiMitzrayim g'altanu . . . From Egypt You redeemed us . . . Prayers of thanksgiving, addressed to God, are not meant to imply that God does not work through human channels. Roland B. Gittelsohn

| MI CHAMOCHAH ba-eilim, Adonai!        | <b>ָרִי</b> ־כָמְכָה בָּאֵלִם, יְיָי          | ۇرد <del>،</del>      |
|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Mi kamochah nedar bakodesh,           | מִי כָּמֹכָה נָאְדָר בַּקֹדָשׁ,               | יוֿצַר                |
| nora t'hilot, oseih fele!             | נוּרָא תְהַלֹת, עְשֵׁה פֶּלֶאי                | אַהַבָּה רַבָּה       |
| Shirah chadashah shib'chu g'ulim      | שִׁירָה חֵדָשָׁה שִׁבִּחוּ גָּאוּלִים         | שְׁמַע                |
| l'shimcha al s'fat hayam.             | לִשְׁמְדָּ עַל שִׂפַת הַיָּם.                 | וָאָהַבְתָּ           |
| Yachad kulam hodu v'himlichu v'amru:  | יַחַד כָּלָם הוֹדוּ וְהַמְלֵיכוּ וְאָמְרוּ    | לְמַעַן תּזְכְרוּ     |
| Adonai yimloch l'olam va-ed.          | ייַ ימלך לעולם וַעָד.                         | וַיּאמֶר יְיָ         |
|                                       | VT T 1 / 1 T                                  | אֱמֶת וְיַצִּיב       |
| Tzur Yisrael, kumah b'ezrat Yisrael   | צוּר יִשְׂרָאֵל, קוּמָה בְּעֶזְרַת יִשְׂרָאֵל | מִי־כָמְ <u>ׂ</u> כָה |
| uf'deih chinumecha Y'hudah v'Yisrael. | וּפְדֵה כִנְאֻמֶך יְהוּדָה וְיִשְׂרָאֵל.      |                       |
| Go-aleinu Adonai Tz'vaot sh'mo,       | גּאֲלֵנוּ יְיָ צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ,               |                       |
| k'dosh Yisrael.                       | קדוש ישראל.                                   |                       |
| Baruch atah, Adonai, gaal Yisrael.    | בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יִיָ, גָאַל יִשְׂרָאַל.      |                       |

WHO IS LIKE YOU, O God, among the gods that are worshipped? Who is like You majestic in holiness

Who is like You, majestic in holiness, awesome in splendor, working wonders?

With new song, inspired, at the shore of the Sea, the redeemed sang Your praise. In unison they all offered thanks. Acknowledging Your Sovereignty, they said: "Adonai will reign forever!"

Rock of Israel, rise in support of Israel and redeem Judah and Israel as You promised. Our Redeemer, *Adonai Tz'vaot* is Your Name. Blessed are You, Adonai, for redeeming Israel.

> בָּרוּדָ אֵתָּה, יְיָ, גָאַל יִשְׂרָאַל. Baruch atah, Adonai, gaal Yisrael.



For those who choose: When the prayer leader recites the word קוּמָה kumah ("rise"), the congregation rises for the *yַמִיָּדָה Amidah*, the *Standing Prayer*.

אָר־כָמְכָה Mi chamochah ... Who is like You ... Exodus 15:11

יָיָמָלדָ לְעָלָם וָאָד Adonai yimloch l'olam va-ed . . . Adonai will reign forever . . . Exodus 15:18


אָבוֹת וְאִמָּהוֹת גְבוּרוֹת

קדַשָּׁה

קדַשַׁת הַיּוֹם

אַבוֹדָה

הוֹדָאָה

שָׁלוֹם

תְּפִלַת חֲלֵב

(Face Ark, take 3 steps forward, and bow)

**B/M** (with Cantorial Soloist):

ADONAI, s'fatai tiftach, ufi yagid t'hilatecha. אַדֹּנָי, שְׂפָתַי תִּפְתָּח, וּפִי יַגִּיד תְּהִלְתֶךָ.

ADONAI, open up my lips, that my mouth may declare Your praise.

Rabbi introduces T'filah, gives page numbers and asks everyone to rise.



For those who choose: Before reciting the תָּפָלָה T'filah, one takes three steps forward.

אָדֹנָי, שְׂפָתֵי תִּפְתָּח Adonai s'fatai tiftach ... Adonai, open up my lips ... Psalm 51:17

# B/M with Cantorial Soloist:

BARUCH atah, Adonai Eloheinu v'Elohei avoteinu v'imoteinu, Elohei Avraham, Elohei Yitzchak v'Elohei Yaakov, Elohei Sarah, Elohei Rivkah, Elohei Rachel v'Elohei Leah. Ha-El hagadol hagibor v'hanora, El elyon, gomeil chasadim tovim, v'koneih hakol, v'zocheir chasdei avot v'imahot, umeivi g'ulah livnei v'neihem l'maan sh'mo b'ahavah.

\*Shabbat Shuvah —

Zochreinu l'chayim, Melech chafeitz bachayim, v'chotveinu b'sefer hachayim, l'maancha Elohim chayim.

Melech ozeir umoshia umagen. Baruch atah, Adonai, magein Avraham v'ezrat Sarah.

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| <b>ַרוּ</b> דָּ אַתָּה, יִיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ      | אָבות וְאִמָּהוֹת |
|--|-------------------|
| וַאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ, אֶלֹהֵי | גְבוּרוֹת         |
| אַבְרָהָם, אֱלֹהֵי יִצְחָק וֵאלֹהֵי יַעֲק    | קַדַשָּׁה         |
| אֱלֹהֵי שָׂרָה, אֱלֹהֵי רִבְקָה, אֱלֹהֵי     | קְדָשַׁת הַיּוֹם  |
| רָחֵל וֵאלֹהֵי לֵאָה. הָאֵל הַגָּדוֹל        | אַבוֹדָה          |
| הַגּבּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא, אֵל עֶלְיוֹן, גּוֹמֵל | הוֹדָאָה          |
| חֲסָדִים טוֹבִים, וְקוֹנֵה הַכּּל, וְזוֹכֵו  | שָׁלוֹם           |
| חַסְדֵי אָבוֹת וְאִמָּהוֹת, וּמֵבִיא גְּאֵי  | תְּפְלַת הַלֶב    |
| לִבְנֵי בְנֵיהֶם לְמַעַן שְׁמוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה.  |                   |
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— SHABBAT SHUVAH\* זַכְרֵנוּ לְחַיִּים, מַלָדְ חַפֵּץ בַחַיּים, וְכָתְבֵנוּ בִּסֵפֵר הַחַיּים, לְמַעַנְדָ אֱלֹהִים חַיִּים. מַלָד עוזר ומושיע ומגן. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יִיָ מָגֵן אַבְרָהָם וִעֵזִרַת שַׂרַה.

BLESSED ARE YOU, Adonai our God, God of our fathers and mothers, God of Abraham, God of Isaac, and God of Jacob, God of Sarah, God of Rebecca, God of Rachel, and God of Leah, the great, mighty and awesome God, transcendent God who bestows lovingkindness, creates everything out of love, remembers the love of our fathers and mothers, and brings redemption to their children's children for the sake of the Divine Name. \*SHABBAT SHUVAH — Remember us for life, O Sovereign who delights in life, and inscribe us in the Book of Life, for Your sake, Living God. Sovereign, Deliverer, Helper and Shield, Blessed are You, Adonai, Sarah's Helper, Abraham's Shield. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, מָגֵן אַבְרָהָם וְעֶזְרַת שָׂרָה.

עַקֹב,

ווכר

גאלה

Baruch atah, Adonai, magein Avraham v'ezrat Sarah.

\*SHABBAT SHUVAH: The Shabbat between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur.

For those who choose: At the beginning and end of the blessing, one bends the knees and bows from the waist at the word Erif Baruch and stands straight at the word "Adonai.

The content of this prayer has to do with the merit of our ancestors. This is traditionally conceived of as a sort of bank account into which the Patriarchs and Matriarchs deposited funds of righteousness that were so great that they covered all future generations. Judith Z. Abrams



# B/M with Cantorial Soloist:

| ATAH gibor l'olam, Adonai,                       | אָדָנה גִבּור לְעוֹלָם, אֲדֹנָי, $\Lambda$          | אָבוֹת וְאִמֶּהוֹת |
|--|---|--------------------|
| m'chayeih hakol (meitim) atah,                   | מְחַיֵּה הַכֹּל (מֵתִים) אַתָּה,                    | גְבוּרוֹת          |
| rav l'hoshia.                                    | רַב לְהוֹשִׁיעַ.                                    | קדַשָּׁה           |
| *WINTER — Mashiv haruach umorid hagashem.        | WINTER* מַשָּׁיב הָרְוּחַ וּמוֹרִיד הַגָּשֶׁם.      | קָדָשַׁת הַיּוֹם   |
| *SUMMER — Morid hatal.                           | SUMMER* <u>מוֹרִיד הַטַּל.</u>                      | עַבוֹדָה           |
| M'chalkeil chayim b'chesed,                      | מְכַלְבֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד,                        | הוֹדָאָה           |
| m'chayeih hakol (meitim)                         | מְחַיֵּה הַכּל (מֵתִים)                             | שָׁלוֹם            |
| b'rachamim rabim, someich noflim,                | בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים, סוֹמֵדְ נוֹפְלִים,             | תְּפְלַת הַלֶב     |
| v'rofei cholim, umatir asurim,                   | וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים, וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים,              |                    |
| um'kayeim emunato lisheinei afar.                | וּמְקַיָּם אֶמוּנָתוֹ לִישֵׁנֵי עָפָר.              |                    |
| Mi chamocha baal g'vurot                         | מִי כָמִוּך בַּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת                       |                    |
| umi domeh lach, melech meimit                    | וּמִי דְּוֹמֶה לָדְ, מֶּלֶדְ מֵמִית                 |                    |
| um'chayeh umatzmiach y'shuah.                    | וּמְחַיֶּה וּמַצְמִיחַ יְשוּעָה.                    |                    |
| Shabbat Shuvah —                                 | — Shabbat Shuvah                                    |                    |
| Mi chamocha El harachamim,                       | מִי כָמְוֹדָ אַב הָרַחֲמִים,                        |                    |
| zocheir y'tzurav l'chayim b'rachamim.            | זוֹכֵר יְצוּרָיו לְחַיִּים בְּרַחֲמִים.             |                    |
| V'ne-eman atah l'hachayot hakol (meitim).        | וְנָאֶמָן אַתָּה לְהַחֲיוֹת הַכֹּל (מֵתִּים).       |                    |
| Baruch atah, Adonai, m'chayeih hakol (hameitim). | בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, מְחַיֵּה הַכֹּל (הַמֵּתִים). |                    |

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m YOU}$  ARE FOREVER MIGHTY, Adonai; You give life to all (revive the dead).

\*WINTER — You cause the wind to shift and rain to fall.

\*SUMMER — You rain dew upon us.

You sustain life through love, giving life to all (reviving the dead) through great compassion, supporting the fallen, healing the sick, freeing the captive, keeping faith with those who sleep in the dust. Who is like You, Source of mighty acts? Who resembles You, a Sovereign who takes and gives life, causing deliverance to spring up and faithfully giving life to all (reviving that which is dead)?

SHABBAT SHUVAH — Who is like You, Compassionate God, who mercifully remembers Your creatures for life?

Blessed are You, Adonai, who gives life to all (revives the dead).

# בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, מְחַיֵּה הַכֹּל (הַמֵּתִים).

Baruch atah, Adonai, m'chayeih hakol (hameitim).



The לבורות *G'vurot* emphasizes God's ability to renew us in the future. The resurrection of the dead, which may be taken literally, is best understood as a powerful metaphor for understanding the miracle of hope. Winter gives way to spring. *Judith Z. Abrams* 

\*WINTER: Shimini Atzeret / Simchat Torah to Pesach SUMMER: Pesach to Shimini Atzeret / Simchat Torah

### Shabbat Morning I

# (Cantorial Soloist leads)

| N'KADEISH et shimcha baolam,                  | נַקַדָּשׁ אֶת שִׁמְדָ בָּעוֹלָם,                    | אָבוֹת וְאִמָּהוֹת |
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| k'shem shemakdishim oto bishmei marom,        | כְּשֵׁם שֶׁמַקְדִּישִׁים אותו בִּשְׁמֵי מָרוֹם,     | រារិការ នុ         |
| kakatuv al yad n'vi-echa,                     | פַּפָתוּב עַל יַד נְבִיאֶדָ,                        | קַדָּשָׁה          |
| v'kara zeh el zeh v'amar:                     | וְקָרָא זֶה אֶל זֶה וְאָמֵר:                        | קדשת מיום          |
| Kadosh, kadosh, kadosh Adonai tz'vaot,        | קָדוֹשׁ, קָדוֹשׁ, קָדוֹשׁ יְיָ צְבָאוֹת,            |                    |
| m'lo chol haaretz k'vodo.                     | מְלֹא כָל הָאָָרֶץ פְּבוֹדוֹ.                       | עֲבוֹדָה           |
| Adir adireinu, Adonai Adoneinu,               | אַדִּיר אַדִּירֵנוּ, יְיָ אֲדוֹנֵנוּ,               | הוֹדָאָה           |
| mah adir shimcha b'chol haaretz.              | מָה אַדִּיר שִׁמְדָ בְּכָל הָאָרֶץ.                 | שָׁלום             |
| Baruch k'vod Adonai mimkomo.                  | בָרוּך כְבוֹד יְיָ מִמְקוֹמוֹ.                      | תְּפָלַת הַלֵּב    |
| Echad hu Eloheinu, hu Avinu,                  | אֶחָד הוּא אֱלֹהֵינוּ, הוּא אָבְינוּ,               |                    |
| hu Malkeinu, hu Moshi-einu,                   | הוא מַלְכֵּנוּ, הוא מוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ,                   |                    |
| v'hu yashmi-einu b'rachamav l'einei kol chai. | וְהוּא יַשְׁמִיאֵנוּ בְּרַחֲמָיו לְעַינֵי כָּל חָי. |                    |
| Ani Adonai Eloheichem.                        | אַנִי יְיָ אֶלהֵיכֶם.                               |                    |
| Yimloch Adonai l'olam, Elohayich Tzion        | יִמְלֹדְ יְיָ לְעוֹלָם, אֱלֹהַיִדְ צִיּוֹן          |                    |
| l'dor vador, hal'luyah.                       | לְדֹר וָדֹר, הַלְלוּיָה.                            |                    |

LET US SANCTIFY Your Name on earth, as it is sanctified in the heavens above. As it is written by Your prophet:

Holy, holy is *Adonai Tz'vaot!* God's presence fills the whole earth. Source of our strength, Sovereign One, how majestic is Your presence in all the earth!

Blessed is the presence of God, shining forth from where God dwells. God alone is our God and our Creator, our Ruler and our Helper; and in mercy, God is revealed in the sight of all the living: I am Adonai your God!

Adonai shall reign forever, your God, O Zion,

from generation to generation, Hallelujah!

| L'dor vador nagid godlecha ul'neitzach n'tzachim | לְדוֹר נָדוֹר נַגִּיד גָּדְלֶך וּלְגַצַח נְצָחִים |
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| k'dushat-cha nakdish, v'shivchacha Eloheinu,     | קְדַשְּׁתְדָ נַקְדִישׁ, וְשִׁבְחֲדָ, אֱלֹהֵינוּ,  |
| mipinu lo yamush l'olam va-ed.*                  | מפינו לא ימוש לעולם וָעֶד.*                       |
| Baruch atah, Adonai, Ha-El hakadosh.             | בָּרוּדְ אַתָּנה, יְיָ, הָאֵל הַקָּדוֹשׁ.         |

TO ALL GENERATIONS we will declare Your greatness, and for all eternity proclaim Your holiness. Your praise, O God, shall never depart from our lips.\* Blessed are You, Adonai, the Holy God.

> בָּרוּדָ אַתָּה, יְיָ, הָאֵל הַקָּדוֹשׁ. Baruch atah, Adonai, Ha-El hakadosh.

\*SHABBAT SHUVAH — Blessed are You, Adonai, Holy Sovereign. Baruch atah, Adonai, HaMelech hakadosh. בָּרוּך אַתָּה, יְיָ, הַמֶּלֶך הַקָּדוֹשׁ.

For those who choose: At the words וְקָרָא גָה v'kara zeh one bows to the left and at אָל גָה el zeh one bows to the right, and at each mention of קדוש kadosh, one rises on one's toes.



Shabbat Morning I

אָבוֹת וָאָמָהוֹת

Select either Yism'chu or V'shamru

| YISM'CHU v'malchut'cha            | ישיקחוי בְמַלְכוּתְ <del>דָ</del>           | גְּבוּרוֹת       |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------------|
| shomrei Shabbat v'korei oneg.     | שוֹמְרֵי שַׁבָּת וְקוֹרְאֵי עְנֵג.          | קָדַשָּׁה        |
| Am m'kad'shei sh'vi-i,            | עַם מִקַדְּשֵׁי שָׁבִיּעִי,                 | קְדָשָׁת הַיּוֹם |
| kulam yisb'u v'yitangu mituvecha. | כַּלָם ישְׁבְּעוּ וְיִתְעַנְגוּ מִטּוּבֶךָ. | אָבוֹדָה         |
| V'hashvi-i ratzita bo v'kidashto, | ְוָהַשְׁבִיעִי רָצִיתָ בּוֹ וְקִדַּשְׁתּוֹ, | הוֹדָאָה         |
| chemdat yamim oto karata,         | ָהֶמְדַּת יָמִים אותו קָרָאתָ               | שָׁלוֹם          |
| zeicher l'maaseih v'reishit.      | זֵכֶר לְמַעֲשֵׂה בְרֵאשִׁית.                | הְנִפְלַת הַלֵּב |

THOSE WHO KEEP Shabbat by calling it a delight will rejoice in Your realm. The people that hallows Shabbat will delight in Your goodness. For, being pleased with the Seventh Day, You hallowed it as the most precious of days, drawing our attention to the work of Creation.

V'SHAMRU v'nei Yisrael et HaShabbat, laasot et HaShabbat l'dorotam b'rit olam. Beini u'vein b'nei Yisrael ot hi l'olam, ki sheshet yamim asah Adonai et hashamayim v'et haaretz, u'vayom hashvi-i shavat vayinafash.

ן שְׁמְרוּ בְגֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת־הַשַּׁבָּת, לַעֲשׂוֹת אֶת־הַשַּׁבָּת לְדֹרֹתָם בְּרִית עוֹלָם. בֵּינִי וּבֵין בְּגֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אוֹת הִיא לְעֹלָם, כִּי־שֵׁשֶׁת יָמִים עָשָׂה יְיָ אֶת־הַשְׁמַיִם וְאֶת־הָאָרֶץ, וּבַיּוֹם הַשְׁבִיעִי שָׁבַת וַיִּנְפַשׁ.

THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL shall keep Shabbat,

observing Shabbat throughout the ages as a covenant for all time. It is a sign for all time between Me and the people of Israel. For in six days Adonai made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day God ceased from work and was refreshed.



ישָׁמְחוּ Yism'chu contains twenty-four Hebrew words — said to correspond to the twenty-four hours of Shabbat.

וְשָׁמְרוּ בְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל V'shamru v'nei Yisrael ... The people of Israel shall keep ... Exodus 31:16-17

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| Avot v'Imahot<br>G'vurot<br>K'dushah<br>K'dushat HaYom<br>Avodah<br><b>Hodaah</b><br>Shalom<br>T'filat HaLev | For the expanding grandeur of Creation, worlds known and unknown, galaxies beyond galaxies, filling us with awe and challenging our imaginations, Modim anachnu lach. מוֹדִים אֲנַחְנוּ לָדָ.         For this fragile planet earth, its times and tides, its sunsets and seasons, Modim anachnu lach. מוֹדִים אֲנַחְנוּ לָדָ.         For the joy of human life, its wonders and surprises, |
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|  | its hopes and achievements,<br>Modim anachnu lach. אַנְחְנוּ לָדָ.   |
|  | For human community, our common past and future hope,<br>our oneness transcending all separation, our capacity to work<br>for peace and justice in the midst of hostility and oppression,<br><i>Modim anachnu lach</i> . מוֹדִים אֲנַחֲמוּ לָדָּ.  |
|  | For high hopes and noble causes, for faith without fanaticism,<br>for understanding of views not shared,<br>Modim anachnu lach. מוֹדִים אֲנַחְנוּ לָדָ.  |
|  | For all who have labored and suffered for a fairer world,<br>who have lived so that others might live in dignity and freedom,<br>Modim anachnu lach. מוֹדִים אֲנַהְוּנוּ לָדָּ.  |
|  | For human liberties and sacred rites:<br>for opportunities to change and grow, to affirm and choose,<br>Modim anachnu lach. מוֹדִים אֲנַחֲוּוּ   |
|  | We pray that we may live not by our fears but by our hopes,<br>not by our words but by our deeds.  |
| UNDER<br>COPYRIGHT<br>PROTECTION<br>DO NOT COPY OR DISTRIBUTE  | Blessed are You, Adonai, Your Name is Goodness, and You are worthy of thanksgiving.<br>בָּרוּךְ אַתָּלָה, יְיָ, הַטוֹב שִׁמְךָ וּלְךָ נָאֶה לְהוֹדוֹת.<br>Baruch atah, Adonai, hatov shimcha ul'cha na-eh l'hodot.   |
| CCAR<br>Press  | For those who choose: On page 256 at the word Dit Madim one hows at the waist At   |

For those who choose: On page 256, at the word מודים Modim, one bows at the waist. At Adonai, one stands up straight.

| SIM SHALOM tovah uv'rachah,                | שִׁים שַׁלוֹם טוֹבָה וּבְרָכָה,                 | אָבוֹת וְאַמֶּהוֹת |
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| chein vachesed v'rachamim,                 | תון נָהֶסֶד וְרַחֲמִים,                         | גְבוּרוֹת          |
| aleinu v'al kol Yisrael amecha.            | עַלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׁרָאֵל עַמֶּךָ.         | קדַשָּׁה           |
| Bar'cheinu, yotzreinu, kulanu k'echad      | בָּרְבֵנוּ, יוֹצְרֵנוּ, כֵּלְנוּ כְּאֶחָד       | קְדָשַׁת הַיּוֹם   |
| b'or panecha,                              | בְּאוֹר פָּנֶיךָ,                               | אַבוֹדָה           |
| ki v'or panecha natata lanu,               | פּי בְאוֹר פָּגֶיד נָתַוּדָ לְנוּ,              | הוֹדָאָה           |
| Adonai Eloheinu,                           | יִיָ אֶלהִינוּ,                                 | שָׁלוֹם            |
| Torat chayim v'ahavat chesed,              | תּוֹרַת חַיּים וְאַהַבַּת חֶסֶד,                | תּפִלַת הַלָּב     |
| utz'dakah uv'rachah v'rachamim             | וּצְדָקָה וּבְרָכָה וְרַחֲמִים                  |                    |
| v'chayim v'shalom.                         | וְחַיִּים וְשָׁלוֹם.                            |                    |
| V'tov b'einecha l'vareich et amcha Yisrael | ןטוב בְּעֵינֶידְ לְבָרֵדְ אֶת־עַמְדָ יִשְׂרָאֵל |                    |
| b'chol eit uv'chol shaah bishlomecha.      | בְּכָל עֵת וּבְכָל שָׁעָה בִּשְׁלוֹמֶךָ.        |                    |
| SHABBAT SHUVAH — B'sefer chayim,           | , ר הָסָפָר חַיִים Shabbat Shuvah               |                    |
| b'rachah v'shalom, ufarnasah tovah,        | בְּרָכָה וְשָׁלוֹם, וּפַרְנָסָה טוֹבָה,         |                    |
| nizacheir v'nikateiv l'fanecha,            | נּזָכֵר וְנִפָּתַב לְפָנֶיִדּ,                  |                    |
| anachnu v'chol amcha beit Yisrael,         | אַנְחְנוּ וְכָל עַמְּךּ בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל,       |                    |
| l'chayim tovim ul'shalom.                  | לְחַיּים טובים וּלְשָׁלום.                      |                    |
| Baruch atah, Adonai, oseih hashalom.       | בּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, עֹשֵׂה הַשָּׁלוֹם.        |                    |
| Baruch atah, Adonai,                       | בָרוּדְ אַתָּה, יִיָ,                           |                    |
| ham'vareich et amo Yisrael bashalom.       | הַמְבָרֵדְ אֶת עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בַּשְׁלוֹם.    |                    |

GRANT PEACE, goodness and blessing, grace, kindness and mercy,

to us and to all Your people Israel.

Bless us, our Creator, all of us together, through the light of Your Presence.

Truly through the light of Your Presence, Adonai our God,

You gave us a Torah of life —

the love of kindness, justice and blessing, mercy, life, and peace.

May You see fit to bless Your people Israel

at all times, at every hour, with Your peace.

SHABBAT SHUVAH — Inscribe us for life, blessing, peace, and prosperity, remembering all Your people Israel for life and peace. Blessed are You, Adonai, Source of peace.

בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, עֹשֵׂה הַשָּׁלוֹם.

Baruch atah, Adonai, oseih hashalom.

Praised are You, Adonai, who blesses Your people Israel with peace.

ַבָּרוּדְ אֵתָּה, יִיָ, הַמְבָרֵדְ אֶת עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בַּשָּׁלוֹם.

Baruch atah, Adonai, ham'vareich et amo Yisrael bashalom.



להי, נִצֹר לִשׁוֹנִי מֶרָע וּשְׂפָתַי 📉 ELOHAI, n'tzor l'shoni meira us'fatai אָבות וָאָמָהוֹת מַדַּבּר מִרְמַה, וְלָמִקַּלְלֵי נַפִּשִׁי midabeir mirmah, v'limkal'lai nafshi גבורות תִדּוֹם, וְנַפִּשִׁי כֵּעַפַר לַכֹּל תִּהָיֶה. tidom, v'nafshi ke-afar lakol tih'yeh. קדשה פּתַח לִבִּי בִּתוֹרַתֵּךָ, וּבִמִצְוֹתֵידָ P'tach libi b'Toratecha, uv'mitzvotecha קדשת היים הַרִדּוֹף נַפִּשִׁי. וְכֹל הַחוֹשָׁבִים tirdof nafshi. V'chol hachoshvim עבודה עַלַי רַעַה, מְהֵרָה הַפֶּר עֵצַתָם alai raah, m'heirah hafeir atzatam הוֹדָאָה וַקַּלְקֵל מַחֵשַׁבְתָּם. עֲשֵׂה לְמַעַן v'kalkeil machashavtam. Aseih l'maan שלום שִׁמֵדָ, עֵשֵׂה לִמַעַן יִמִינֵדָ, עֵשֵׂה sh'mecha, aseih l'maan y'minecha, aseih תּפְלַת הַלֶב לִמַעַן קָדָשָׁתֵדָ, עֵשֶׂה לִמַעַן l'maan k'dushatecha, aseih l'maan תּוֹרַתֵּדָ. לִמַעַן יֵחָלָצוּן יְדִידֶידָ, Toratecha. L'maan yeichaltzun y'didecha, הושיעה ימינד וענני. hoshiah y'mincha vaaneini.

My GOD, guard my speech from evil and my lips from deception. Before those who slander me, I will hold my tongue; I will practice humility. Open my heart to Your Torah, that I may pursue Your mitzvot. As for all who think evil of me, cancel their designs and frustrate their schemes. Act for Your own sake, for the sake of Your Power, for the sake of Your Holiness, for the sake of Your Torah, so that Your loved ones may be rescued. Save with Your power, and answer me.

# **Cantorial Soloist:**

Yih'yu l'ratzon imrei fi v'hegyon libi l'fanecha, Adonai tzuri v'go-ali. יִהְיוּ לְרָצוֹן אִמְרֵי פִּי וְהֶגְיוֹן לִבִּי לְפָנֶידָ, יְיָ צוּרִי וְגוּאֲלִי.

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable to You, Adonai, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Oseh shalom bimromav, אַשֶׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמָיו, אוּא יַשְטָה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ, v'al kol Yisrael, v'al kol yosh'vei teiveil, v'imru: Amen.

> May the One who makes peace in the high heavens make peace for us, all Israel and all who inhabit the earth. Amen.

On Rosh Chodesh, Chanukah, the Shabbat in Pesach, and the Shabbat in Sukkot, Hallel may be recited on pages 558–559 or page 560.

Reading of the Torah is on page 362.

אָלהַי, וְצָר Elohai, n'tzor ... My God, guard ... based on Psalm 34:14 לְמַעָן יֵחָלְצוּן L'maan yeichaltzun ... so that Your loved ones ... Psalm 60:7 יְהָיוּ לְרָצוֹן Yih'yu l'ratzon ... May the words of my mouth ... Psalm 19:15



**כַמוֹך** בָאֱלהים אֲדֹנָי,

מַלְכוּתִדְ מַלְכוּת כָּל־עֹלָמִים,

וּמַמִשֵׁלְתָּךְ בְּכַל־דֹּר וַדֹר.

יִי יְבָרֵך אֵת עַמּוֹ בַשָּׁלוֹם.

ײַ מֶלֶדְ, ײַ מָלָדְ, ײַ יִמְלֹדְ לְעֹלָם וָעֶד.

יי עז לעמו יתן,

# Rabbi: says "p.244, please rise as Torah is taken from the ark"

# ר קריאת התורה ישבת

SEDER K'RIAT HATORAH L'SHABBAT — READING THE TORAH ON SHABBAT

The Ark is opened. Remove the Torah.

| $\operatorname{EIN}$ KAMOCHA vaElohim Adonai, |
|---|
| v'ein k'maasecha.                             |
| Malchut'cha malchut kol olamim,               |
| umemshalt'cha b'chol dor vador.               |
| Adonai melech, Adonai malach,                 |
| Adonai yimloch l'olam va-ed.                  |
| Adonai oz l'amo yitein,                       |
| Adonai y'vareich et amo vashalom.             |

# (Ark opened and Torah taken out)

THERE IS NONE LIKE YOU among the gods, Adonai, and there are no deeds like Yours. You are Sovereign over all worlds, and Your dominion is in all generations. Adonai reigns, Adonai has reigned, Adonai will reign forever and ever. Adonai will give strength to our people, Adonai will bless our people with peace.

> Source of mercy: favor Zion with your goodness; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. For in You alone do we trust, Sovereign, high and exalted, God Eternal.

קמוך Ein kamocha... There is none like You... is an agglomeration of Psalm 86:8, Psalm 145:13, Psalm 10:16, Psalm 93:1, Exodus 15:18, and Psalm 29:11.

היטָיבָה בְרְצוֹנְך heitivah virtzoncha ... with Your goodness ... Psalm 51:20

Sung



**סְּבָּלַת מּתּוֹרָה** הַסְּפְּה בּרְכוּת הַתּוֹרָה מִי שֶׁבֵּרַהְ בִּרְכַּוּת הַגּוּמֵל הַרְזָרָת הַתּוֹרָה

# Sung

ואין כַּמַעשיד.

### קבלת התורה

| KI MITZIYON teitzei Torah,<br>ud'var Adonai miY'rushalayim.               | Sung<br>כָּי מָאַיּוֹן תַּצֵא תוֹרָה,<br>וּדְבַר־יִיָ מִירוּשָׁלָיִם. | ײַקּפָה<br>בּרָכוֹת הַתּוֹרָה<br>הַגְבָּהַה<br>מִי שֶׁבֵּרַדְ      |
|---|---|--|
| FOR FROM OUT OF ZION will come the and the word of Adonai from Jerusalem. | ne Torah,<br>(p.248)  | בְּרְפַת הַגּוֹמֵל<br>בּרְכּוֹת הַהַפְטָרָה<br>הַחְזָרָת הַתּוֹרָה |

| S'U SH'ARIM rasheichem,   | אַנ שְׁעָרִים רָאשֵׁיכֶם,      |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| us'u pit'chei olam,       | וּשְׂאוּ פִּתְחֵי עוֹלָם,      |
| v'yavo Melech hakavod.    | וְיָבוֹא מֶלֶךְ הַכָּבוֹד.     |
| Mi hu zeh Melech hakavod? | מִי הוּא זֶה מֶלֶךְ הַכָּבוֹדי |
| Adonai Tz'vaot            | יָּיָ צְבָאוֹת                 |
| hu Melech hakavod. Selah. | הוּא מֶלֶדְ הַכָּבוֹד. סֶלָה.  |

LIFT UP your heads, O gates! Lift yourselves up, O ancient doors! Let the Sovereign of glory enter. Who is this Sovereign of glory? The God of Hosts is the Sovereign of glory!

# people's life from Sinai until now.

Freedom is its gift to all who treasure it.

S'u sh'arim ... Lift up ... Psalm 24:9-10 is interpreted rabbinically as the psalm recited when the original ark of the covenant was brought to Jerusalem. It is a longstanding Reform innovation in this part of the service, ever since the first German Reform prayer book of 1819 and used therefore, in Reform liturgy as we remove the Torah from the ark.



ני מִצִיוֹן הַנֵא תוֹרָה Ki mitziyon teitzei Torah . . . For from out of Zion . . . Isaiah 2:3

Standing with the Torah, recite these verses.

BARUCH shenatan Torah

l'amo Yisrael bikdushato.

BLESSED IS GOD who in holiness gave the Torah to the people Israel.

Rabbi: assembles family for Torah pass

# שִׁמַע יִשִׂרָאֵל, יִיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, יְיָ אֶחָד. B/M:

Sh'ma Yisrael, Adonai Eloheinu, Adonai Echad.

HEAR, O ISRAEL, Adonai is our God, Adonai is One.

# Sung

| Echad Eloheinu gadol Adoneinu, | אֲדוֹנֵנוּ, | גָּדוֹל | אֶלֹהֵינוּ, | אָחָד  |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---------|-------------|--------|
| kadosh sh'mo.                  |             |         | שׁמוֹ.      | קָדוֹש |

OUR GOD IS ONE, Adonai is great, holy is God's Name.

Rabbi to cue - (face ark)

Gadlu l'Adonai iti, un'rom'mah sh'mo yachdav.

EXALT ADONAI with me, let us extol God's Name together.

# (Hakafa while Torah song is sung)

L'cha Adonai hag'dulah v'hag'vurah v'hatiferet v'haneitzach v'hahod, ki chol bashamayim uvaaretz. L'cha Adonai hamamlachah v'hamitnasei l'chol l'rosh.

לִדְ יִיָ הַגְּדֵלֵה וְהַגְבוּרֵה וְהַתִּפְאֶֶרֶת וְהַגֵּצַח וְהַהוֹד, כּי כֹל בַּשְׁמַיִם וּבָאָרֶץ. לִדְ יִיָ הַמַּמְלָכָה והמתנשא לכל לראש.

YOURS, ADONAI, is the greatness, might, splendor, triumph, and majesty yes, all that is in heaven and on earth. To You, Adonai, belong sovereignty and preeminence above all.

The Torah is unwrapped.

שָׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל Shima Yisrael ... Hear O Israel ... Deuteronomy 6:4 נדָלו ליי אָתי Gadlu l'Adonai iti ... Exalt Adonai with me ... Psalm 34:4 לך יי הגדלה L'cha Adonai hag'dulah . . . Yours, Adonai, is the greatness . . . I Chronicles 29:11 WITHOUT EXPRESS PERMISSION

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הקפה בּרָכוֹת הַתּוֹרָה מי שֶׁבֵרָדְ הגבָּהַה בְּרְכֵּת הַגּוֹמֵל הָרָכוֹת הָהַפְּטָרָה הַהָזֶרָת הַתּוֹרָה

קַבָּלַת הַתּוֹרָה

Sung גַדָּלוּ לֵייַ אָתִי,

ונרוממה שמו יחדו.

Sung

**בְרוּדְ** שֶׁנְתַן תּוֹרָה לְעַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּקָדֵשַׁתוֹ.

| I LUTIL CODEL INT     |                                |  | קַבָּלַת הַתּוֹרָה    |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| HAVU GODEL l'Eloheinu |                                | <b>רְבוּ גְדֶל</b> לֵאלֹהֵינוּ,<br>וּתְנוּ כָבוֹד לַתּוֹרָה. | បទីទំប                |
| ut'nu chavod laTorah. |                                | וּתְנוּ כָבוד לַתּורָה.                                      | בְּרְכוֹת הַתּוֹרָה   |
| Let us declare        | the greatness of our God and g | give honor to the Torah.                                     | מִי שֶׁבֵּרַדְ        |
| ONE WH                | O MAKES AN ALIYAH MIGH         | HT OFFER:  | מּגְבָּהַח            |
|                       | NAMES AND ADDRESS OF A         | (CON14   | בּרְכַּת תַגּוֹמֵל    |
| ADONAI imachem.       | MAY GOD be with you!           | יר אַמָּכֶם.   | בּרְכוֹת הַהַפְּטֶרָה |
|                       | Congregation responds:         |  | הַחְזָרָת הַתּוֹרָה   |
| Y'varech'cha Adonai.  | MAY GOD bless you!             | יָבָרֶכְ <b>דְ</b> יְיָ.                                     |                       |
|                       | Torah Undressed - Aliyot       |  |                       |

# BLESSING BEFORE THE READING OF THE TORAH

| BAR'CHU et Adonai ham'vorach.          | <b>בְרְכוּ</b> אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָדְ.      |
|--|--|
| Baruch Adonai ham'vorach l'olam va-ed. | בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוּלָם וָעֶד. |
| Baruch atah, Adonai                    | <u>בָּרוּ</u> ך אַתָּה, יְיָ             |
| Eloheinu, Melech haolam,               | אֶלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם,              |
| asher bachar banu mikol haamim,        | אֲשֶׁר בְּחַר בְּנוּ מִכָּל הָעַמִּים,   |
| v'natan lanu et Torato.                | וְנֶתַן לְנוּ אֶת תּוֹרָתוֹ.             |
| Baruch atah, Adonai, notein haTorah.   | בָּרוּך אַתָּה, יְיָ, נוֹתֵן הַוּנוֹרָה. |

BLESS ADONAI who is blessed.

Blessed is Adonai who is blessed now and forever.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has chosen us from among the peoples, and given us the Torah. Blessed are You, Adonai, who gives the Torah.

# BLESSING AFTER THE READING OF THE TORAH

| $\operatorname{BARUCH}$ atah, Adonai |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Eloheinu, Melech haolam,             |  |
| asher natan lanu Torat emet,         |  |
| v'chayei olam nata b'tocheinu.       |  |
| Baruch atah, Adonai, notein haTorah. |  |

**בְּרוּדָ** אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲלֵעָר נְתַן לְנוּ תּוֹרַת אֱמֶת, וְחַיֵּי עוֹלָם נְטַע בְּתוֹכֵנוּ. בְּרוּדְ אַתְּה, יְיָ, נוֹתֵן הַתּוֹרָה.

BLESSED ARE YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has given us a Torah of truth, implanting within us eternal life. Blessed are You, Adonai, who gives the Torah.



ההלה ההורה

# MI SHEBEIRACH FOR ALIYAH

|  |   | לאלינ ניוניוניו       |
|--|---|-----------------------|
| ${ m M}$ I SHEBEIRACH avoteinu v'imoteinu,             | <b>ָבִוֹי שֶׁבֵּרַ</b> דְ אֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ, | טַקּפָּה              |
| Avraham Yitzchak v'Yaakov,                             | אַבְרָהָם יִצְחָק וְיַעֲקֹב,                          | בְּרְכוֹת הַתּוֹרָה   |
| Sarah, Rivkah, Rachel v'Lei-ah,                        | שָׂרָה, רִבְקָה, רָחֵל וְלֵאָה,                       | מִי שֶׁבֵּרַדְ        |
| hu y'vareich et <i>[name]</i> ben/bat <i>[parents]</i> | [parents] הוּא יְבָרֵך אַת [name] הוּא יְבָרֵך        | מגבּמת                |
| baavur she-alah/she-altah                              | <u>פַּעַ</u> בוּר שֶׁעָלָה/שֶׁעָלְתָה                 | בְּרְכַּת הַגּוֹמֵל   |
| lichvod HaMakom, lichvod haTorah.                      | לִכְבוֹד הַמָּקוֹם, וְלִכְבוֹד הַתּוֹרָה.             | בּרְכוֹת הַהַפְּטָרָה |
| Bis-char zeh HaKadosh Baruch Hu                        | בִּשְׂכַר זֶה הַקָּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּדָ הוּא                | ດງຳກຸດ ກາງເດັ່ນ       |
| yishm'reihu/yishm'rehah                                | יִשְׁמְרֵהוּ/יִשְׁמְרֶה                               | Y - 11:-              |
| v'yatzileihu/v'yatzilehah                              | וִיַצִּיבֵׂהוּ/וְיַצִּיכֶׂהָ                          |                       |
| mikol tzarah v'tzukah umikol nega umachalah,           | מִכָּל צָרָה וְצוּקָה וּמִכָּל גָגַע וּמַחֲלָה,       |                       |
| v'yishlach b'rachah v'hatzlachah                       | וְיִשְׁלַח בְּרָכָה וְהַצְלָחָה                       |                       |
| v'chol maaseh yadav/yadeha,                            | בְּכָל מַעֲשֵׂה יָדָיו/יָדֶיהָ,                       |                       |
| im kol Yisrael. V'nomar: Amen.                         | עם כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְנֹאמַר: אָמֵן.                  |                       |

MAY THE ONE WHO BLESSED our ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah, bless *[name]* son/daughter of *[parents]*, since he/she has come up to the Torah in honor of God and Torah. May he/she merit from the Holy One of Blessing protection, rescue from any trouble or distress, and from any illness, minor or serious; may God send blessing and success in his/her every endeavor, together with all Israel, and let us say, Amen.

# Rabbi: "p.252" (Torah raised)

HAGBAHAH UG'LILAH <u>הְגְרָיְלָה</u> The Torah is raised, rolled, and wrapped.

V'ZOT haTorah asher sam Moshe lifnei b'nei Yisrael, al pi Adonai b'yad Moshe. ָ**ן זֹאַת** הַתּוֹרָה אֲשֶׁר שָׂם משֶׁה לִפְנֵי בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל, עַל־פִּי יְיָ בְּיַד־מֹשֶׁה.

THIS IS THE TORAH which Moses placed before the people of Israel, God's word through the hand of Moses.

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וזאת הַתּוֹרָה V'zot ha Torah ... This is the Torah ... Deuteronomy 4:44

יי אָל־פָּי אָל al pi Adonai . . . God's word . . . Numbers 9:23

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# B/M:

# BLESSING BEFORE THE HAFTARAH

BARUCH atah, Adonai רוּדָ אַתַּה, יִי הקפה אֶלהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הַעוּלַם. בּרְכוֹת הַתּוֹרָה Eloheinu, Melech haolam, אַשֶׁר בַּחַר בִּנְבִיאִים טוֹבִים, מי שברד asher bachar binvi-im tovim, וְרָצָה בְדָבְרֵיהֵם v'ratzah v'divreihem הגבהה הנאמרים באמת. בְּרְכַּת הַגּוֹמֵל hane-emarim be-emet. בְּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, הַבּוֹחֵר בַּתּוֹרָה Baruch atah, Adonai, habocher baTorah ברכות ההפטרה וּבְמשֶׁה עַבְדּוֹ, וּבְיִשְׂרָאַל עַמּוֹ, uv'Moshe avdo, uv'Yisrael amo, החזרת התורה וּבְנָבִיאַי הַאֱמֵת וַצֵּדֵק. uvinvi-ei ha-emet vatzedek.

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has chosen faithful prophets to speak words of truth. Praise to You, Adonai, for the revelation of Torah, for Your servant Moses, for Your people Israel and for prophets of truth and righteousness.

# BLESSING AFTER THE HAFTARAH

BARUCH atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, tzur kol haolamim, tzaddik b'chol hadorot, HaEl hane-eman, haomeir v'oseh, ham'dabeir um'kayeim, shekol d'varav emet vatzedek.

Al haTorah, v'al haavodah, v'al han'vi-im, v'al yom HaShabbat hazeh, shenatata lanu Adonai Eloheinu, likdushah v'limnuchah, l'chavod ul'tifaret.

Al hakol Adonai Eloheinu, anachnu modim lach, um'var'chim otach, yitbarach shimcha b'fi chol chai tamid l'olam va-ed. Baruch atah, Adonai, m'kadeish HaShabbat. **בְּרוּ**דָּ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, צוּר כָּל הָעוֹלָמִים, צַדִּיק בְּכָל הַדּוֹרוֹת, הָאַל הַנָּאֶמָן, הָאוֹמֵר וְעֹשֶׂה, הַמְדַבֵּר וּמְקַיֵם, שֶׁכָּל דְּבָרָיו אֱמֶת וָצֶדֶק.

עַל הַתּוֹרָה, וְעַל הָעֲבוֹדָה, וְעַל הַנְּבִיאִים, וְעַל יוֹם הַשַּׁבָּת הַזֶּה, שֶׁנְתַתְּ לְנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, לִקְדֵשָּׁה וְלִמְנוּחָה, לְכָבוֹד וּלְתִפְאָרֶת.

עַל הַכּּל יְיָ אֶלהַינוּ, אֲנַחְנוּ מוֹדִים לְדָ, וּמְבָרְכִים אוֹתָדְ, יִתְבָּרַדְ שִׁמְדָ בְּפִי כָל חֵי תָּמִיד לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, מְקַדֵּשׁ הַשֵּׁבָּת.

PRAISE TO YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, Rock of all creation, Righteous One of all generations, the faithful God whose word is deed, whose every command is just and true. For the Torah, for the privilege of worship, for the prophets, and for this Shabbat that You, Adonai our God, have given us for holiness and rest, for honor and glory: we thank and bless You. May Your name be blessed forever by every living being. Praise to You, Adonai, for the Sabbath and its holiness.



קַבְּלַת הַתּוֹרָה

Immediate family returns to bimah with Torah. **Cantorial Soloist** offers blessing.

Y'HAL'LU et shem Adonai, ki nisgav sh'mo l'vado.

LET US PRAISE the Name of Adonai, for God's Name alone is exalted!

Alternative readings are found on the facing page.

HODO al eretz v'shamayim. Vayarem keren l'amo, t'hilah l'chol chasidav, liv'nei Yisrael am k'rovo. Hal'lu Yah! וּדוֹ עַל אָרָץ וְשָׁמָיִם. וַיְּרֶם קֶרֶן לְעַמּוֹ, הְּהָלָה לְכָל־חַסִידָיו, לִבְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל עַם־קְרֹבוֹ. הַלְלוּ־יָהּיַ

GOD'S MAJESTY is above the earth and heaven; and God is the strength of our people, making God's faithful ones, Israel, a people close to the Eternal. Halleluyah!

The Torah is returned to the Ark.

KI LEKACH tov natati lachem, Torati al taazovu.

Eitz chayim hi lamachazikim bah, v'tom'cheha m'ushar. D'rachehah darchei no-am, v'chol n'tivoteha shalom.

Hashiveinu Adonai eilecha v'nashuvah, chadeish yameinu k'kedem. רי לֶקַח טוֹב נָתַהִי לָכֶם, הּוֹרָתִי אַל תַּעֲזְבוּ.

עֵץ חַיִּים הִיא לַמַּחֲזִיקִים בָּהּ, וְתֹמְכֶיהָ מְאֵשָּׁר. דְּרָכֶיהָ דַרְכֵי נְעַם, וְכַל נְתִיבוֹתֵיהַ שַׁלוֹם.

> ְהַשִׁיבֵנוּ יְיָ אֵלֶידְ וְנָשְׁוּבָה, חַדֵּשׁ יָמֵינוּ כְּקֶדֶם.

# Rabbi: (Family together facing ark as rabbi returns scroll)

FOR I HAVE GIVEN YOU good instruction; do not abandon My Torah.

IT IS A TREE OF LIFE for those who hold fast to it, and all its supporters are happy. Its ways are ways of pleasantness and all its paths are peace. Return us to You, Adonai, and we will return; renew our days as of old.

(sing Eitz Chayim)

יהודו Y'hal'lu ... Hodo ... Let us praise ... God's majesty Psalm 148:13-14 יהודו Y'hal'lu ... Hodo ... Let us praise ... God's majesty Psalm 148:13-14
Ki lekach tov ... For I have given you ... is an agglomeration of Proverbs 4:2, Proverbs 3:18, Proverbs 3:17, and Lamentations 5:21

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הַקּפָּה בְּרְכוֹת הַוּתּוֹרָה מִיּ שֶׁבֵּרַדְ בְּרְכַּת הַגּוֹמֵל בְרְכוֹת הַהַפְּטָרָה

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קַבְּלֵת הַתּוֹרָה

ְרַהַלְלוּ אֶת שֵׁם יְיָ, כִּי נִשְׂגָּב שְׁמוֹ לְבַדּוֹ.

(Rabbi & Cantorial Soloist lead)



Select one of the four passages on this or the facing page.

| ALEINU l'shabei-ach laadon hakol,    | עַלִינוּ לְשַׁבְּחַ לַאֲדוֹן הַכֹּל,     |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| lateit g'dulah l'yotzeir b'reishit,  | לְתֵּת גְּדָלָה לְיוֹצֵר בְּרֵאשִׁית,    |
| shehu noteh shamayim v'yoseid aretz, | שֶׁהוּא נוֹטֶה שְׁמַיִם וְיֹסֵד אָרֶץ,   |
| umoshav y'karo bashamayim mimaal,    | וּמוֹשַׁב יְקָרוֹ בַּשָּׁמַיִם מִמַּעַל, |
| ush'chinat uzo b'govhei m'romim,     | וּשְׁכִינַת עֵזּוֹ בְּגָבְהֵי מְרוֹמִים, |
| hu Eloheinu ein od.                  | הוּא אֶלהֵינוּ אֵין עוד.                 |
| Vaanachnu kor'im                     | וַאֲנַחְנוּ כּוֹרְעִים                   |
| umishtachavim umodim,                | וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים,              |
| lifnei Melech mal'chei hamlachim     | לפְנֵי מֶֶלֶדְ מַלְבֵי הַמְּלָרִים       |
| HaKadosh Baruch Hu.                  | הַקָּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּדְ הוּא.                |
|                                      |  |

LET US NOW PRAISE the Sovereign of the universe, and proclaim the greatness of the Creator who spread out the heavens and established the earth, whose glory is revealed in the heavens above and whose greatness is manifest throughout the world. You are our God; there is none else. Therefore we bow in awe and thanksgiving before the One who is Sovereign over all, the Holy and Blessed One.

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| ALEINU I'shabei-ach laadon hakol,   | עַלֵינוּ לְשַׁבֵּחַ לַאֲדוֹן הַכֹּל,     |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| lateit g'dulah l'yotzeir b'reishit, | לָתֵת גְּדַלָּה לְיוֹצֵר בְּרֵאשִׁית,    |
| shelo asanu k'goyei haaratzot,      | שֶׁלֹא עֲשָׂנוּ כְּגוֹיֵי הָאֲרָצוֹת,    |
| v'lo samanu k'mishp'chot haadamah.  | ַןלא שָׂמָנוּ כְּמִשְׁפְּחוֹת הָאֲדָמָה. |
| Shelo sam chelkeinu kahem,          | שֶׁלֹּא שָׂם הֶלְקֵנוּ כָּהֶם,           |
| v'goraleinu k'chol hamonam.         | וְגֹרָלֵנוּ כְּכָל־הֲמוֹנָם.             |
| Vaanachnu kor'im                    | וַאֲנַחְנוּ כּוֹרְעִים                   |
| umishtachavim umodim,               | וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים,              |
| lifnei Melech malchei ham'lachim    | לִפְנֵי מֶלֶךְ מַלְכֵי הַמְּלָכִים       |
| HaKadosh Baruch Hu.                 | הַקָּדוֹש בָּרוּך הוּא.                  |
|                                     |  |

LET US NOW PRAISE the Sovereign of the universe, and proclaim the greatness of the Creator who has set us apart from the other families of the earth, giving us a destiny unique among the nations. We bend the knee and bow, acknowledging the supreme Sovereign, the Holy One of Blessing.

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For those who choose: At the word בּוֹרְעִים *kor'im*, one bends the knees; at וּמִשְׁתַּחַוִים *umishtachavim*, one bows at the waist; and at לְפָנֵי מֵלֶן *lifnei Melech*, one stands straight.



עַלֵינוּ

# MAY WE GAIN WISDOM in our lives,

overflowing like a river with understanding. Loved, each of us, for the peace we bring to others. May our deeds exceed our speech, and may we never lift up our hand but to conquer fear and doubt and despair.

Rise up like the sun, O God, over all humanity. Cause light to go forth over all the lands between the seas. And light up the universe with the joy of wholeness, of freedom, and of peace.

V'ne-emar, v'hayah Adonai l'Melech al kol haaretz. Bayom hahu yih'yeh Adonai echad ush'mo echad. ְוָנֶאֶמַר, וְהָיָה יְיָ לְמֶלֶךְ עַל כָּל הָאָרֶץ. בַּיּוֹם הַהוּא יִהְיֶה יְיָ אֶחָד וּשְׁמוֹ אֶחָד.

Thus it has been said, Adonai will be Sovereign over all the earth. On that day, Adonai will be one, and God's Name will be one.

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referred to rabbinic legislation to remedy specific social ills or legal injustices. In the אָלֶע Aleinu, composed about the same time, it represents acts by God to replace this imperfect world with the legal and moral perfection of divine rule. Sixteenth-century kabbalistic thought applied the term to human action, shifting the responsibility for perfecting the world onto us.

The oneness of God is declared in the שָׁמַע Shima. Yet that oneness is not apparent in the world. Human action can bring oneness and peace to all. Elyse D. Frishman

The Jewish idea of redemption compels us to imagine a perfect world, a world that has reached its full potential. Poetry asks the same of its language; poetry at its best imagines a perfect language, which can impart all the nuances, meanings, and music that it never quite achieves in our everyday speech. When understood well, poetry and redemption can help us remake our world: a brilliant line of poetry can place a new link in the chain of our thought and language; and the idea of redemption helps us to look beyond our lives towards a world of possibility. *Adam Sol* 

ואמרוי אמן.

# MOURNER'S KADDISH

תגדל ויתקדש שמה רבא. YITGADAL v'yitkadash sh'mei raba. ָבְּעָלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כִרִעוּתֵה, B'alma di v'ra chirutei, וַיַמְלִידְ מֵלְכוּתֵה, v'yamlich malchutei, בחייכון וביומיכון b'chayeichon uv'yomeichon וּבְחַיֵּי דְכַל בֵּית יִשְׁרָאֵל, uv'chayei d'chol beit Yisrael, ַבַּעַגָלָא וּבִזְמֵן קָרִיב. וָאָמְרוּי אַמֵן. baagala uvizman kariv. V'im'ru: Amen. יָהָא שְׁמָה רַבַּא מִבַרָד Y'hei sh'mei raba m'varach לִעַלָם וּלְעַלְמֵי עַלְמַיָּא. l'alam ul'almei almaya. יִתְבָּרַדְּ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח, וְיִתִפָּאַר Yitbarach v'yishtabach v'yitpaar וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא, v'yitromam v'yitnasei, וַיִתְהַדֵּר וַיִתְעַלֵּה וַיִתְהַלַל v'yit'hadar v'yitaleh v'yit'halal שְׁמֵה דְקַדְשַׁא בִּרִידְ הוּא, sh'mei d'kudsha b'rich hu, לְעֵלָא מִן כַּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירַתָא, l'eila min kol birchata v'shirata, תּשִׁבּחַתַא וְנָחֵמַתַא, tushb'chata v'nechemata, דַאַמִירַן בָּעַלָמַא. וָאָמָרוּ: אַמֵן. daamiran b'alma. V'imru: Amen. יָהֵא שְׁלַמַא רַבָּא מָן שְׁמֵיָּא, Y'hei sh'lama raba min sh'maya, וחיים עלינו ועל כל ישראל. v'chayim aleinu v'al kol Yisrael. V'imru: Amen. עשה שלום במרומיו, Oseh shalom bimromay, הוא יַעֲשָׂה שַׁלום עַלֵינוּ, Hu yaaseh shalom aleinu, ועל כַּל יִשְׂרָאָל. וָאָמְרוּי אַמָן. v'al kol Yisrael. V'imru: Amen.

EXALTED and hallowed be God's great name in the world which God created, according to plan. May God's majesty be revealed in the days of our lifetime and the life of all Israel — speedily, imminently, to which we say Amen.

Blessed be God's great name to all eternity.

Blessed, praised, honored, exalted, extolled, glorified, adored, and lauded be the name of the Holy Blessed One, beyond all earthly words and songs of blessing, praise, and comfort. To which we say Amen.

May there be abundant peace from heaven, and life, for us and all Israel. to which we say Amen.

May the One who creates harmony on high, bring peace to us and to all Israel. To which we say Amen.



קדיש יתום

# KIDDUSH FOR SHABBAT MORNING

Fill a Kiddush cup with wine or grape juice. Raise it and recite:

V'SHAMRU v'nei Yisrael et HaShabbat, laasot et HaShabbat l'dorotam b'rit olam. Beini uvein b'nei Yisrael ot hi l'olam, ki sheishet yamim asah Adonai et hashamayim v'et haaretz, uvayom hashvi-i shavat yayinafash. ןְּשָׁמְרוּ בְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת הַשַּׁבָּת, לַעֲשׁוֹת אֶת הַשַּׁבָּת לְדֹרֹתָם בְּרִית עוֹלָם. בִּינִי וּבֵין בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אוֹת הִיא לְעוֹלָם, כִּי שֵׁשֶׁת יָמִים עָשָׂה יְיָ אֶת הַשְׁמַיִם וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ,

THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL shall keep Shabbat, observing Shabbat throughout the ages as a covenant for all time. It shall be a sign for all time between Me and the people of Israel,

for in six days Adonai made heaven and earth,

and on the seventh day God ceased from work and was refreshed.

# עַל־כֵּן בֵּרַדְּ יְיָ אֶת־יוֹם הַשַּׁבָּת וַיְקַדְשִׁהוּ.

Al kein beirach Adonai et Yom HaShabbat vay'kadsheihu. Therefore Adonai blessed the day of Shabbat and hallowed it.

# B/M together with rabbi

# ָבָרוּדָ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פְּרִי הַגָּפֶן.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, borei p'ri hagafen. Praise to You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine.



וְשָׁמְרוּ הְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל V'shamru v'nei Yisrael ... The people of Israel shall keep ... Exodus 31:16–17 אַל־בָּן Al kein ... Therefore Adonai ... Exodus 20:8–11

בּרְכוֹת הַמִּשְׁפָּחָה **קדּוּשׁ, שַׁחֲרִית** 

> הַפּוּאָיא בִּרְפַת הַפָּזוֹן

> > הַבְּדָּלָה

Blessings for the Home and Synagogue

בְּרוּך אַתָּה, יִיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ,

הַמִּוֹצִיא לֵחֵם מָן הַאָרֵץ.

מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם,

, בִּרַכַּת הַמָ

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# HAMOTZI AND BIRKAT HAMAZON

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, FOR FOOD

hamotzi lechem min haaretz.

Our praise to You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.

### BIRKAT HAMAZON, BLESSING AFTER EATING

### ON SHABBAT

| Shir hamaalot, b'shuv Adonai        | שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת, בְּשׁוּב יְיָ             |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| et shivat Tziyon, hayinu k'cholmim. | אֶת־שִׁיבַת צִיּוֹן, הָיִינוּ כְּחֹלְמִים.   |
| Az yimalei s'chok pinu,             | אָז יִפְּלֵא שְׂחוֹק פִּינוּ,                |
| ul'shoneinu rinah.                  | וּלְשׁוֹנֵנוּ רִנָּה.                        |
| Az yomru vagoyim,                   | אָז יאמרוּ בַגוֹיִם,                         |
| higdil Adonai laasot im eileh.      | הִגְדִּיל יְיָ לַעֲשׂוֹת עִם־אֵלֶה.          |
| Higdil Adonai laasot imanu,         | הִגְדִּיל יְיָ לַעֲשׂוֹת עִמְנוּ,            |
| hayinu s'meichim.                   | הַיִינוּ שְׂמֵחִים.                          |
| Shuvah Adonai et sh'viteinu         | שׁוּבָה יְיָ אֶת־שְׁבִיתֵנוּ                 |
| kaafikim banegev.                   | כַּאֲפִיקִים בַּנֶּגֶב.                      |
| Hazorim b'dimah b'rinah yiktzoru.   | הַזֹּרְעִים בְּדִמְעָה בְּרִנָּה יִקְצְׂרוּ. |
| Haloch yeileich uvachoh             | הָלוֹדְ יֵלֵדְ וּבָכֹה                       |
| nosei meshech hazarah,              | ָנֹשֵׂא מֶשֶׁדְ־הַזָּרַע,                    |
| bo yavo v'rinah, nosei alumotav.    | בּא־יָבוֹא בְרִנָּה נֹשֵׂא אֲלֵמֹתָיו.       |

A song of ascents. When Adonai restores the fortunes of Zion, we see it as in a dream, our mouths shall be filled with laughter, our tongues, with songs of joy. Then shall they say among the nations, "Adonai has done great things for them!" Adonai will do great things for us and we shall rejoice. Restore our fortunes, Adonai, like watercourses in the Negev. They who sow in tears shall reap with songs of joy. Those who go forth weeping, carrying the seed-bag, shall come back with songs of joy, carrying their sheaves.

# ALL DAYS

### Leader

Chaveirim vachaveirot, n'vareich!

Let us praise God.

חֲבֵרִים וַחֲבֵרוֹת, נְבָרֵדְי



בְּרְכוֹת הַמִּשְׁפֶּחָה

קדוש, שַׁחֲרִית

המוציא

בְּרְכַּת הַמָּזוֹן

הַבְדָּלָה

# Temple Solel Bar/Bat Mitzvah Honors

| Service Honors for Bar/Bat Mitzvah of:  |
|---|
| Please write the name of Bar/Bat Mitzvah as you would like it written in English and Hebrew on the certificate: |
| English:  |
| Habrau  |
| Hebrew:   |
| Please write name & relation to Bar/Bat Mitzvah below:  |
| Friday Night:   |
| Candle lighting:  |
| Saturday Morning:   |
| Talit Presentation:   |
| Passing the Torah through the Generations:  |
| Aliyot:   |
| English Name Hebrew Name Father's Hebrew Name Mother's Hebrew Name Relation                                     |
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| Torah Lifter:   |
| Torah Dresser:  |
| Ark Opener:   |

# BLESSING BEFORE THE READING OF THE TORAH

שָּרוּדָ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבַרָדָ לְעוּלָם וְעָד. Baruch Adonai ham'vorach l'olam va-ed. Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher bachar banu mikol haamim, v'natan lanu et Torato. Baruch atah, Adonai, notein haTorah.

BLESS ADONAI who is blessed.

Blessed is Adonai who is blessed now and forever.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has chosen us from among the peoples, and given us the Torah. Blessed are You, Adonai, who gives the Torah.

# BLESSING AFTER THE READING OF THE TORAH

| BARUCH atah, Adonai                  | יָרוּך אַתָּה, יִיָ                       |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Eloheinu, Melech haolam,             | אֶלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם,              |
| asher natan lanu Torat emet,         | אַשֶׁר נְתַן לְנוּ תּוֹרַת אֱמֶת,         |
| v'chayei olam nata b'tocheinu.       | וְחַיֵּי עוֹלָם נָטַע בְּתוֹכֵנוּ.        |
| Baruch atah, Adonai, notein haTorah. | בָּרוּדָ אַתָּרה, יְיָ, נוֹתֵן הוּתוֹרָה. |

BLESSED ARE YOU, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has given us a Torah of truth, implanting within us eternal life. Blessed are You, Adonai, who gives the Torah.

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# Sample Blessings for the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Ceremony

# 1. A Blessing

# -Danny Siegel, inspired by Talmud Berachot 17a

May your eyes sparkle with the light of the Torah, And you ears hear the music of its words. May the space between each letter of the scrolls Bring warmth and comfort to your soul. May the syllables draw holiness from your heart, And may this holiness be gentle and soothing to the world. May your study be passionate, And meanings bear more meanings Until life itself arrays itself to you As a dazzling wedding feast. And may your conversation, Even of the commonplace, Be a blessing to all who listen to your words And see the Torah glowing on your face.

2. We pray that this service may long echo in our child's memory. May it engrave on the table of his/her heart the understanding that this day initiates a life more firmly dedicated to the study of Torah and the fulfillment of mitzvoth, to deeds of justice and kindness and support for the People of Israel.

O God, make each of us a worthy example of our children. Let nothing estrange us from them and from you, the Source of all goodness and compassion. Help us again and again to renew our attachment to the Covenant of Israel, to walk hand in hand with our child in the ways of righteousness and truth. Amen.

 May you live to see your world fulfilled, May your destiny be for worlds still to come, And may you trust in generations past and yet to be. May your heart be filled with intuition And your words be filled with insight. May songs of praise ever be upon your tongue And your vision be on a straight path before you. May your eyes shine with the light of holy words And your face reflect the brightness of the heavens. May your lips speak wisdom And your fulfillment be in righteousness Even as you ever yearn to hear the words Of the Holy Ancient One of Old.

Talmud Berachot 17a

4. (Insert child's name), you have brought great joy to our lives. We give thanks for the privilege of seeing you grow day-by-day and year-by-year. You are growing up to be an incredible young man/woman. You are intelligent and compassionate. You have a strong sense of right and wrong and the courage to stand up for your beliefs.

You are very creative and we hope you will continue to be an independent thinker. Remember that when someone comes up with an idea that others think impossible, they may be on to something really important. We hope that you find something that you are passionate about, follow your path, and use your talents to do something remarkable that will make a difference.

Remember to live each day to the fullest. Get the most from each day of your life...then you can look forward with confidence and look back without regrets. Time is a non-renewable resource. Take time to appreciate the moment, to find peace and faith within you.

Continue to use your great sense of humor to keep things in perspective. Look for something good in each day and each person. Remember to laugh and enjoy life.

May you grow to be strong in body and mind, to love what is good and true, may you never forget how much we love you.

5. We are so proud of you today. How joyful it is for us to see you set these wonderful goals and do whatever it takes to achieve them. What an incredible young woman you are!

You were our destiny - the daughter we always envisioned and prayed for in every way, and yet we are constantly amazed by your continual devotion as a daughter, granddaughter, great-granddaughter, niece, cousin, friend, and citizen not just of the community but of the world.

You are thoroughly intelligent, creative, genuine, and full of optimism. As one of your teachers once said, you only see through the good of others. We pray that you will hold on to your innate understanding of right and wrong. You possess of a powerful trait – the courage to stand up for your beliefs.

We pray that you will continue to be an independent thinker, regardless of the temptations that you will encounter.

We pray that you will never lose sight of your passions and that you will always follow the bliss that will carry you to your dreams and make them real.

Most of all, we pray that you use your talents to do something remarkable so that you will make a difference in this world. And yet, we have not doubt that you will do just that.

May you never forget how much we love you.

# 6. Dear God,

There are no words for the depth of my love for this child. Please bless this beautiful young woman and surround her always. I pray for her protection. I surrender her into Your hands. May she be protected from the darkness of our times. May she have the strength to remember that those who have gone...have not gone far. May she always see You at the center of her life. May her heart grow strong to love and serve You. Show me to love most patiently, to be there for her most fully, to understand profoundly who she is and what she needs. May the spirit of this family be a blessing unto her now and forever. May she continue to learn the values and principles of love and righteousness. May she learn from me kindness. May she learn from me strength. May she live most fully and most deeply. That is my wish. That is my prayer for her.

# 7. (Child's Name)

Today is one of the most significant days of your life, whether you realize it or not. As you become a Bar Mitzvah, you join the many generations of Israel who have been called to the Torah before you. You are now a link in the chain that connects our past with our future and you represent all that is promising and possible. Let this day be a reminder to you that your place in the universe is unique because you are a Jew.

What a privilege it is today for me to publicly tell this congregation and our family and friends what a wonderful human being you have been since the day you were born. You are a kind and gentle person whose compassion for others is remarkable for someone your age. I have always been truly moved by your capacity to make people feel better just by your presence. You smile has the power to brighten the room you walk into. You, (name), are an extraordinary person, and we are so proud and honored to be your parents.

I have written a blessing that I would like to say for you today, as you become a bar mitzvah.

May the light in your eyes shine upon the path that you choose to follow.

May the kindness in your heart radiate to those around you.

May the caring that you show others help to heal the world, one person at a time.

May your awareness of God be a constant source of wonder and amazement and always bring you comfort and strength.

May you always know peace in your sould and carry it with you through the journey of your days.

# 8. My beautiful darling, I pray for you...

That one day, you will know the boundless love, pride and joy for a child, as I have with you. That you dreams and wishes are on their way. That you never take away a piece of yourself to fit in. That you share your many gifts with the world, which is in need of much healing. That you continue to learn the importance and value of integrity. That in pursuits both personal and professional, you use your head, but follow your heart. That you continue to draw to you all the love that you give. That you manifest the divine in your deeds. When you relocate to a university, a new city or new town---that you always remember three small, but important words-*call your mother*.

# 9. Dear God,

We feel so fortunate and so proud to have been blessed with a daughter like, (child's name). Words cannot express how much we love her and ask that you always keep her safe and happy. May she always understand the importance of family and may she forever remain close to her brother and sister. May she find a loving partner to share her life with in marriage and may she have children who bring her as much happiness as she brings to us.

# Dear God,

Please continue to allow (name) to contribute to the wellness of others and may she always work hard to improve the lives of those less fortunate. May you help her realize that the value of her life will be measured by the goodness she brings to others.

# Dear God,

May (name) continue to be blessed with gentleness, kindness and empathy. Her heart is a caring one and these attributes will help her to understand and act on the injustices in the world. May she always keep her positive attitude and learn to handle life's adversities with strength and grace. May she always remain truthful and honest, as she will learn that integrity will define who she will become. And may she always keep her incredible self confidence, for it will allow her to take risks and not be afraid of failure.

### Dear God,

May you help (name) find serenity and tranquility in a world that she may not always understand. May you help her to discover enough goodness in her life in order to believe in a world of peace. May you help her to remember that hose lives she touches and those that touch hers in return will always be a part of her.

### Dear God,

May you continue to be an integral part of her life and help her to keep the Jewish traditions alive for future generations. May she one day stand here on the bima as a Jewish mother and experience the same joy that her father and I feel right now.