October 6, 2023
22 Tishrei, 5784
Erev Simchat Torah with the Youth Choir
Wedding Blessing of Madeleine Weisman and Ian Caughlan

It has been told to you, what is good, and what Adonai requires of you
Only to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God. (Micah 6:8)

Our sanctuary is a sanctuary. If your mobile phone is not in use as an adaptive device, please turn it off.

Services tonight are led by Rabbi Crawley, Rabbi Zemel, and Rabbi Slakman.
The oneg is hosted by our Youth Choir families.

Candles

Baruch Atah, Adonai, Eloheinu, Melech ha'olam, asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu l'hadlik neir shel Shabbat.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל שַׁבָּת.

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe.
You hallow us with Your Mitzvot and command us to kindle the light of Shabbat.

Kiddush

Baruch Atah, Adonai, Eloheinu, Melech ha'olam, borei p'ri hagafen. Baruch Atah, Adonai, Eloheinu, Melech ha'olam, asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav v'ratzah vanu, v'shabat kodsho b'ahavah uv'ratzon hinchilanu, zikaron l'maaseh v'reishit. Ki hu yom t'hilah l'mikra'ei kodesh, zeicher litziat mitzrayim. Ki vanu vacharta v'otanu kidashta mikol ha'amim, v'shabbat kodsh'cha b'ahavah uv'ratzon hinchaltanu. Baruch Atah, Adonai, m'kadeish hashabbat.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
בּוֹרֵא פְּרִי הַגָּפֶן. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְרָצָה בָנוּ, וְשַׁבָּת קָדְשׁוֹ
בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן הִנְחִילָנוּ, זִכָּרוֹן לְמַעֲשֵׂה בְרֵאשִׁית.
כִּי הוּא יוֹם תְּחִלָּה לְמִקְרָאֵי קֹדֶשׁ, זֵכֶר לִיצִיאַת
מִצְרָיִם. כִּי-בָנוּ בָחַרְתָּ וְאוֹתָנוּ קִדַּשְׁתָּ, מִכָּל-הָעַמִּים,
וְשַׁבָּת קָדְשְׁךָ בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן הִנְחַלְתָּנוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה
יי, מְקַדֵּשׁ הַשַּׁבָּת.

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine.
We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe; You call us to holiness with the Mitzvah of Shabbat – the sign of Your love, a reminder of Your creative work, and of our liberation from Egyptian bondage, our day of days. On Shabbat especially, we hearken to Your call to serve You as a holy people. We praise You, O God, for the holiness of Shabbat.

Challah

Baruch Atah, Adonai, Eloheinu, Melech ha'olam, hamotzi lechem min ha'aretz.

ברוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
הַמּוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ.

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, who causes bread to come from the earth.

Siman Tov

סִימָן טוֹב וּמַזָּל טוֹב.
וּמַזָּל טוֹב וְסִימָן טוֹב.
יְהֵא לָנוּ. וּלְכָל יִשְׂרָאֵל.

Siman tov umazal tov
umazal tov v'siman tov
Y'hei lanu, ul'chol Yisrael.

It is a good and lucky sign for us and all Israel!

Blessing before the Reading of the Torah

Reader: Bar'chu et Adonai ham'vorach.
Congregation: **Baruch Adonai ham'vorach l'olam va'ed.**
Reader: Baruch Adonai ham'vorach l'olam va'ed.
Baruch Atah, Adonai, Eloheinu, Melech ha'olam, asher bachar banu mikol haamim, v'natan lanu et Torato.
Baruch Atah, Adonai, notein haTorah.

בָּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ
בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד
בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר
בָּחַר בָּנוּ מִכָּל הָעַמִּים וְנָתַן לָנוּ אֶת תּוֹרָתוֹ.
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, נוֹתֵן הַתּוֹרָה.

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.

Genesis בְּרֵאשִׁית 1:1-5

א בְּרֵאשִׁית בָּרָא אֱלֹהִים אֵת הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֵת הָאָרֶץ׃

1 When God was about to create heaven and earth,

ב וְהָאָרֶץ הָיְתָה תֹהוּ וָבֹהוּ וְחֹשֶׁךְ עַל־פְּנֵי תְהוֹם וְרוּחַ אֱלֹהִים מְרַחֶפֶת עַל־פְּנֵי הַמָּיִם׃

2 the earth was a chaos, unformed, and on the chaotic waters' face there was darkness. Then God's spirit glided over the face of the waters,

ג וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים יְהִי אוֹר וַיְהִי־אוֹר׃

3 and God said, "Let there be light!"—and there was light.

ד וַיַּרְא אֱלֹהִים אֶת־הָאוֹר כִּי־טוֹב וַיַּבְדֵּל אֱלֹהִים בֵּין הָאוֹר וּבֵין הַחֹשֶׁךְ׃

4 And when God saw how good the light was, God divided the light from the darkness;

ה וַיִּקְרָא אֱלֹהִים | לָאוֹר יוֹם וְלַחֹשֶׁךְ קָרָא לָיְלָה וַיְהִי־עֶרֶב וַיְהִי־בֹקֶר יוֹם אֶחָד׃

5 God then called the light Day, and called the darkness Night, and there was evening and there was morning, [the] first day.

Roll into Dark

Noam Katz

Roll into dark
Roll into light
Night becomes day,
day turns to night.

Borei yom valailah, goleil or mipnei choshech, v'choshech mipnei or.

בורֵא יום וָלָיְלָה, גוֹלֵל אור מִפְּנֵי חשֶׁךְ
וְחשֶׁךְ מִפְּנֵי אור.

You are Creator of day and night, rolling light away from darkness and darkness from light.

Genesis בְּרֵאשִׁית 1:14

יד וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים יְהִי מְאֹרֹת בִּרְקִיעַ הַשָּׁמַיִם
לְהַבְדִּיל בֵּין הַיּוֹם וּבֵין הַלָּיְלָה וְהָיוּ לְאֹתֹת
וּלְמוֹעֲדִים וּלְיָמִים וְשָׁנִים׃

14 God then said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the sky, to separate day from night, to be markers for sacred seasons, for days and years…

Deuteronomy דְּבָרִים 30:20

כ לְאַהֲבָה אֶת־יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ לִשְׁמֹעַ בְּקֹלוֹ
וּלְדָבְקָה־בוֹ **כִּי הוּא חַיֶּיךָ וְאֹרֶךְ יָמֶיךָ** לָשֶׁבֶת
עַל־הָאֲדָמָה אֲשֶׁר נִשְׁבַּע יְהוָה לַאֲבֹתֶיךָ
לְאַבְרָהָם לְיִצְחָק וּלְיַעֲקֹב לָתֵת לָהֶם׃

20 …by loving the Eternal your God, heeding God's commands, and holding fast to [God]. For thereby you shall have life and shall long endure upon the soil that the Eternal swore to your fathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give to them.

Deuteronomy דְּבָרִים 6:4

ד שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָה | אֶחָד׃

4 Hear, o Israel! The Eternal is our God, the Eternal alone.

Deuteronomy דְּבָרִים 6:5-9, Numbers בְּמִדְבַּר 15:40-41

ה וְאָהַבְתָּ אֵת יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכָל־לְבָבְךָ
וּבְכָל־נַפְשְׁךָ וּבְכָל־מְאֹדֶךָ׃

5 You shall love the Eternal your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your might.

ו וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצַוְּךָ הַיּוֹם
עַל־לְבָבֶךָ׃

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

ז וְשִׁנַּנְתָּם לְבָנֶיךָ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם בְּשִׁבְתְּךָ בְּבֵיתֶךָ
וּבְלֶכְתְּךָ בַדֶּרֶךְ וּבְשָׁכְבְּךָ וּבְקוּמֶךָ׃

7 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.

ח וּקְשַׁרְתָּם לְאוֹת עַל־יָדֶךָ וְהָיוּ לְטֹטָפֹת בֵּין
עֵינֶיךָ׃

8 Bind them as a sign on your hand and let them serve as a symbol on your forehead;

ט וּכְתַבְתָּם עַל־מְזוּזוֹת בֵּיתֶךָ וּבִשְׁעָרֶיךָ׃

9 inscribe them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

מ לְמַעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת־כָּל־מִצְוֹתָי
וִהְיִיתֶם קְדֹשִׁים לֵאלֹהֵיכֶם׃

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

מא אֲנִי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם אֲשֶׁר הוֹצֵאתִי אֶתְכֶם
מֵאֶרֶץ מִצְרַיִם לִהְיוֹת לָכֶם לֵאלֹהִים אֲנִי יְהוָה
אֱלֹהֵיכֶם׃

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

Exodus שְׁמוֹת 15:11; 15:18

יא מִי־כָמֹכָה בָּאֵלִם יְהוָה
מִי כָּמֹכָה נֶאְדָּר בַּקֹּדֶשׁ
נוֹרָא תְהִלֹּת עֹשֵׂה פֶלֶא׃

11 Who is like You, Eternal One, among the celestials?
Who is like You, majestic in holiness,
Awesome in splendor, working wonders!

יח יְהוָה | יִמְלֹךְ לְעֹלָם וָעֶד׃

18 The Eternal will reign for ever and ever!

Exodus שְׁמוֹת 31:16-17

טו וְשָׁמְרוּ בְנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת־הַשַּׁבָּת לַעֲשׂוֹת
אֶת־הַשַּׁבָּת לְדֹרֹתָם בְּרִית עוֹלָם׃

16 The Israelite people shall keep the sabbath, observing the sabbath throughout the ages as a covenant for all time:

יז בֵּינִי וּבֵין בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אוֹת הִוא לְעֹלָם
כִּי־שֵׁשֶׁת יָמִים עָשָׂה יְהוָה אֶת־הַשָּׁמַיִם
וְאֶת־הָאָרֶץ וּבַיּוֹם הַשְּׁבִיעִי שָׁבַת וַיִּנָּפַשׁ׃

17 it shall be a sign for all time between Me and the people of Israel. For in six days God made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day [God] ceased from work and was refreshed.

Numbers בְּמִדְבַּר 6: 24-26

כד יְבָרֶכְךָ יְהוָה וְיִשְׁמְרֶךָ

24 The Eternal bless you and protect you!

כה יָאֵר יְהוָה | פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וִיחֻנֶּךָּ׃

25 The Eternal deal kindly and graciously with you!

כו יִשָּׂא יְהוָה | פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וְיָשֵׂם לְךָ שָׁלוֹם׃

26 The Eternal bestow [divine] favor on you and grant you peace!

Deuteronomy דְּבָרִים 34:10-12

10 Never again did there arise in Israel a prophet like Moses—whom the Eternal singled out, face to face,

י וְלֹא־קָם נָבִיא עוֹד בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל כְּמֹשֶׁה אֲשֶׁר יְדָעוֹ יְהוָה פָּנִים אֶל־פָּנִים׃

11 for the various signs and portents that the Eternal sent him to display in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and his courtiers and his whole country,

יא לְכָל־הָאֹתֹת וְהַמֹּפְתִים אֲשֶׁר שְׁלָחוֹ יְהוָה לַעֲשׂוֹת בְּאֶרֶץ מִצְרַיִם לְפַרְעֹה וּלְכָל־עֲבָדָיו וּלְכָל־אַרְצוֹ׃

12 and for all the great might and awesome power that Moses displayed before all Israel.

יב וּלְכֹל ׀ הַיָּד הַחֲזָקָה וּלְכֹל הַמּוֹרָא הַגָּדוֹל אֲשֶׁר עָשָׂה מֹשֶׁה לְעֵינֵי כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל׃

Chazak, chazak, v'nitchazek!
חֲזַק חֲזַק וְנִתְחַזֵּק !

Blessing after the Reading of the Torah

Baruch Atah, Adonai, Eloheinu, Melech ha'olam, asher natan lanu Torat emet v'chayei olam nata b'tocheinu.
Baruch Atah, Adonai, notein haTorah.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר נָתַן לָנוּ תּוֹרַת אֱמֶת וְחַיֵּי עוֹלָם נָטַע בְּתוֹכֵנוּ
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה 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.

Tree of Life

It is a tree of life to those who hold fast to it,
and all of its supporters are happy.
Etz chaim hi l'machazikim bah, v'tom'cheha m'ushar.

עֵץ חַיִּים הִיא לַמַּחֲזִיקִים בָּהּ. וְתֹמְכֶיהָ מְאֻשָּׁר.

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