



Siddur Sukkat Shalom



#### Beth Chayim Chadashim (BCC) "House of New Life" Transitional Siddur (Prayerbook)

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This prayerbook is intended for transitional use as we settle in to our new home, where BCC will continue our long tradition of being an innovative prayer community, with a proud history of being one of the first congregations to create gender sensitive and inclusive language in our prayers and rituals.

This volume is a streamlined version of our well-worn 3-ring-binder prayerbook. Even this first step of simply reformatting our cut-and-paste version and converting it to an electronic one was a painstaking process, undertaken by Davi Cheng and us with invaluable assistance from Lee Alhadeff, Henry Wudl, Tracy Moore, earlier work by Maggie Parkhurst and Rabbi Joe Hample, and with Hebrew text support from Dr. Dalia Marx (typos are ours). This version, along with the new technology in our sanctuary, will provide us more options and opportunities for future innovations. Thank you to Diane Smith of *Print & Mail 4 U*, for donating a portion of the printing costs to make this project possible.

As always, the prayers in the prayerbook are only one aspect of Jewish prayer – we hope that this siddur, this sacred space, and the people in this House of New Life will inspire us all to offer the words on the page **and** the prayers in our hearts.

L'shalom, Rabbi Lisa Edwards & Cantor Juval Porat, April 2011

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## Welcoming Songs

### Hineh Mah Tov

הנה מה טוב

Hi-neh mah tov u-mah na-yim הנה מה טוב ומה נעים שבת אחים גם יחד she-vet a-khim gam ya-khad. שֶׁבֶת אֲחִיוֹת גַם יַחַד she-vet a-kha-yot gam ya-khad. שֶׁבֶת כּוּלָנוּ גַם יַחַד she-vet ku-la-nu gam ya-khad.

> How good and how pleasant when brothers / sisters / all of us dwell together in unity.

[Psalm 133:1, adapted]



Mah Tovu מה טבו

Mah-tovu o-ha-le-kha Ya'akov, mish-k'no-te-kha Yisra'el va-ani b'rov khas-d'kha, ah-vo vei-te-kha esh-ta-kha-veh el hei-khal ko-d'sh-kha b'yir-a-tekha בְּיַרְאָתֶךְ, בְּיִרְאָתֶר

Adonai a-hav-ti m'on bei-te-kha, um-kom mish-kan k'vo-de-kha

Va-ani esh-ta-kha-veh v'ekh-ra'ah e'vr'kha lif-nei Adonai o-si.

Va'ani t'fi-la-ti l'kha Adonai eit rat-zon E-lo-him b'rov khas-de-kha a-nei-ni b'emet yish'e-kha.

מַה-טֹבִוּ אֹהָלֶידְ יַעֲקֹב, מִשִּׁבְּנֹתֵידְ יִשְׂרָאֵל וַאֲנִי בְּרֹב חָסְרְדְּ אָבוֹא בִיתִדְּ יהוה אַהַבְתִּי מַעוֹן בֵּיתֵדְ וּמַקוֹם משכן כבודף:

וַאָנִי אֶשְׁתַּחָנֶה וְאֶכְרָעָה אֶבְרְכָה לִפְנֵי-יהוה עשִי:

וַאָנִי תִפְלַתִי לִדְּ יהוה עֶת רֵצוֹן אֱלֹהִים בָּרַב חַסְדַּדְּ עַנָנִי בָּאָמֵת יִשְעַדְּ:

How lovely are your dwellings, O Jacob, Your sanctuaries, O Israel! Thanks to Your abundant kindness, O God, I enter Your house. To bow down before You in reverence in Your sacred place. God, I love to be in Your house, The place where Your glory dwells. I worship in Your presence, O God, my Maker. I pray to You at this proper time. In kindness, God, answer my prayer; Mercifully, grant me Your saving truth.

> [Verses 1 & 2 from the blessing pronounced by the prophet Balaam over the Israelite encampment in Numbers 24:5. The other verses in order based on Psalms 5:8, 26:8, 95:6, 69:14]

## Kabbalat Shabbat

### **Welcoming The Sabbath**

May the doors of this synagogue open wide enough to receive all who hunger for love, all who long for friendship.

May the doors of this synagogue welcome all who have cares to unburden, thanks to express, hopes to nurture.

May the doors of this synagogue be narrow enough to shut out pettiness and arrogance, envy and enmity.

May this threshold be no stumbling block to young or straying feet.

May this threshold be too high to admit complacency, selfishness, or harshness.

May this synagogue be, for all who enter, the doorway to a richer and more meaningful life.



We sit here newly gathered Before the face of God, Joining together this evening To worship the Holy One, To sanctify our existence.

How shall we begin the search To reach the sacred part Of ourselves where rests The essence of all that is good?

By stopping.

Stopping our concerns for those things
That divert us all week long,
At least for the brief moments
Of our Shabbat eve, and
Opening ourselves to hear the message,
O so silent, carried to us
By the still, small voice of God.

God, help us now to make this a renewing Shabbat.

After noise, we seek quiet:

After crowds of indifferent strangers,
we seek the touch of those we love;
After concentration on work and responsibility,
we seek freedom to meditate, to listen to our inward selves.

We open our eyes to the hidden beauties and the infinite possibilities in the world we are creating; We break open the gates of the reservoirs of goodness and kindness in ourselves and in others; We reach toward one holy perfect moment of Shabbat.

[Ruth Brin, Adapted]



#### The Kabbalat Shabbat Psalms

The custom of beginning the Erev Shabbat service with the recitation of psalms began among Jewish mystical circles in sixteenth-century Safed.

Eagerly awaiting the coming of the "Sabbath bride," these Jews would go out to the fields on Friday afternoon to greet her with song and prayer.

Two basic themes dominate the Kabbalat Shabbat psalms.

The first is ecstatic adoration.

Nature and humanity together burst into joyous songs of praise; trees call out exuberantly.

The second theme is the triumph of right.

The Safed Kabbalists lived in a dark time of persecution, and their messianic hopes were high.

The psalms they selected to read on Shabbat reflect their belief that the coming of God's reign of justice and righteousness was near.

The six psalms which constitute the traditional Kabbalat Shabbat (psalms 95-99 and psalm 29) symbolize the six days of creation and the six ordinary days of the week.

#### Come, let us sing joyously to God,

Let us acclaim the Rock of our help.

Let us approach God with thankfulness.

Let us acclaim God with songs of praise.

For Adonai is a great God, a ruler high above the idols of every age. In God's hands are the depths of the earth;

The mountain peaks too belong to God.
The sea is God's, for God made it;
God fashioned the dry land as well.

The Almighty is our God and we are God's people. We are the flock under God's guiding hand.

{Today, if to your voice we would but listen...

O, that we harden not our hearts,
As time and again in the wilderness,
We challenged and tested You,
We saw glimpses of You but still felt uncertain.

Forty years, a complete generation...
You put up with us,
Resigning yourself to our limitations;
Taking us only as far as we could go,
Just to the edge of Your place of rest,
To but the threshold of Your promised land.

Today, if to your voice we would but listen...}

{Translation from the siddur of our sibling congregation CBST, NYC - B'chol L'vav'cha, With All Your Heart, pg. 53}

L'chu nera-ne-nah l'Adonai nari'ah le-tzur yish'enu:
ne-kad-de-mah fa-nav be-todah biz-mi-rot naria' lo:
ki el gadol Adonai umelekh gadol al kol Elohim:
a-sher be-ya-do mekh-k'rei aretz veto-afot ha-rim lo:
a-sher lo hai-yam v'hu a-sa-hu v'-ya-beshet ya-dav ya-tza-ru:

bo-u nish-takh-a-veh v'nikh-ra-ah niv'r'kh-ah lif-nei Adonai o-sei-nu:

ki hu E-lo-hei-nu va'a-nakh-nu am ma-ri-to v'tzon ya-do ha'yom im b'ko-lo tish-ma'u: al tak-shu l'vav-khem ki-m'ri-vah k'yom ma-sah ba-mid-bar:

a-sher nisu-ni a-vo-tei-khem b'kha-nu-ni gam ra'u fa'oli:

{ar-ba'im sha-nah a-kut b'dor va-omar am to'ei l'vav hem v'hem lo-ya-d'u d'ra-khai: a-sher nish-ba'ti v'api im-y'vo'un el-m-nu-kha-ti:}

לְכוּ נְרַנְּנָה לַיהוָה נָרִיעָה לְצוּר יִשְׁעֵנוּ: נְקַדְּמָה פָנָיו בְּתוֹדָה בִּזְמִרוֹת נָרִיעַ לוֹ: כִּי אֵל נָּדוֹל יהוה וּמֶלֶדְ נָּדוֹל עַל כָּל אֱלֹהִים: אֲשֶׁר בְּיָדוֹ מֶחְקְרֵי-אָרֶץ וְתוֹעֲפֹת הָרִים לוֹ: יּ אֲשֶׁר לוֹ הַיָּם וְהוּא עָשָׂהוּ וְיַבֶּשֶׁת יָדִיו יצרוּ:

בֹּאוּ נִשְׁתַּחֲנֶה וְנִכְרָעָה נִבְרְכָה לִפְנֵי יהוה עשׁנוּ:

> כִּי הוּא אֱלֹהֵינוּ וַאֲנַחְנוּ עֵם מַרְעִיתוֹ וְצֹאֹן יָדוֹ הַיּוֹם אָם בְּלְלוֹ תִשְׁמְעוּ: אַל תַּקְשׁוּ לְבַבְּכֶם כִּמְרִיבָה כִּיוֹם מַסַּה בַּמִּדְבַּר:

אֲשֶׁר נִסּוּנִי אֲבוֹתֵיכֶם בְּחְנוּנִי גַּם רָאוּ פַעֵלִי:

אַרְבָּעִים שָׁנָה אָקוּט בְּדוֹר וְאֹמַר עַם תֹּעֵי לֵבָב הֵם וְהֵם לֹא-יָדְעוּ דְרְכִי: אֲשֶׁר-נִשְׁבַּעְתִּי בְאַפִּי אָם-יְבֹאוּן אֶל-מְנוּחָתִי:}

### \*Sing a new song to God;

Sing a new song all the earth.
Sing to God and praise God's name.
Make known God's salvation day to day.

Give honor to God, all races and peoples.
Ascribe to God glory and might.
Worship the Almighty in the beauty of holiness;
Stand in awe of God, all the world
God alone is sovereign.

But the Living One has made the heavens. Grandeur and splendor belong to God, Strength and beauty in the Holy Place. Give praise to God, families of nations, Honor and power devote to God's glory.

Bow to God for the glory of the name. Bring an offering, approach the courtyards. Bow down to the Holy One with holy adornment, Tremble in God's presence, all the earth, Declare among the nations the Eternal reigns:

The world is founded, none can topple it; The peoples shall be judged unerringly.

\*\*Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad; the sea and all within it roar praise. Let the field and all its creatures exult; Let the trees of the forest break into song.

For God comes to rule the earth, To rule the world with justice, To judge the nations in truth.

Psalm 96 תהילים צו

\*Shi-ru l'A-do-nai shir kha-dash, Shi-ru l'A-do-nai kol ha-a-retz:

Shi-ru l'A-do-nai bar'khu sh'mo, Ba-s'ru mi-yom l'yom y'shu-a-to:

Sap'ru va-go-yim k'vo-do, B'khol ha-a-mim nif-l'o-tav:

7 Ki ga-dol Adonai um-hu-lal m'od, No-ra hu al kol E-lo-him:

Ki kol E-lo-hei ha-a-mim e-li-lim, V'Adonai sha-ma-yim a-sah:

Hod v'ha-dar l'fa-nav, oz V'tif-e-ret b'mik-da-sho:

Ha-vu l'A-do-nai mish-p'khot a-mim, Ha-vu l'Ado-nai ka-vod va-oz:

Ha-vu l'Ado-nai k'vod sh'mo, S'u min-kha u-vo-u l'khats-ro-tav:

Hish-ta-kha-vu l'A-do-nai b'had-rat ko-desh, Khi-lu mi-pa-nav kol ha-a-rets:

Im-ru va-goyim Adonai ma-lakh, af ti-kon tei-veil bal ti-mot, ya-din a-mim b'mei-sha-rim:

\*\*Yis-m'khu ha-sha-ma-yim v'ta-geil ha-a-rets, Yi-ram ha-yam u'm-Io-o.

Ya-a-loz sa-dai v'khol a-sher bo, Az y'ra-n'nu Kol a-tsei ya-ar:

Lif-nei A-do-nai ki va, Ki va lish-pot ha-a-rets; Yish-pot tei-veil b'tse-dek, v'a-mim be-e-mu-na-to. \*שִׁירוּ לֵיהוָה שִׁיר חְדָשׁ
 שִׁירוּ לֵיהוָה בְּּל-הָאָרֶץ:
 שִׁירוּ לֵיהוָה בְּּרְכוּ שְׁמוֹ
 בַּשְׂרוּ מִיּוֹם לְיוֹם יְשׁוּעָתוֹ:
 סַבְּרוּ בַּגּוֹיִם כְּבוֹדוֹ
 בְּלְ-הָעַמִּים נִפְלְאוֹתְיוּ:
 בִּי גָדוֹל יהוֹה וּמְהֶלֶּל מְאֹד נוֹרָא הוֹא עַל-כְּל-אֱלֹהִים:
 בִי בְּל-אֱלֹהִי הָעַמִּים אֱלִילִים
 וַיהוָה שְׁמַיִם עֲשָׂה:
 הוֹד-וְהָדָר לְפְנְיוֹ עֹז
 וְתַפְאֵרֶת בְּמִקְדָשׁוֹ:

הָבוּ לַיהוָה מִשְׁפְּחוֹת עַמִּים הָבוּ לַיהוָה כָּבוֹד וְעֹז: הָבוּ לַיהוָה כְּבוֹד שְׁמוֹ שָׁאוּ-מִנְחָה וּבֹאוּ לְחַצְרוֹתֵיו:

הִשְׁתַּחֲווּ לַיהוָה בְּהַדְרֵת-לֹדֶשׁ חִילוּ מִפְּנְיו כָּל-הָאָרֶץ:

אָמְרוּ בַגּוֹיִם יהוה מֶלֶך אַף-תִּכּוֹן תֵּבֵל בַּל-תִּמוֹט יָדִין עַמִּים בְּמֵישָׁרִים:

> \*\*יִשְׂמְחוּ הַשָּׁמֵיִם וְתָגֵל הָאָרֶץ יִרְעֵם הַיָּם וּמְלֹאוֹ:

יַעֲלז שָׂדֵי וְכָל-אֲשֶׁר-בּוֹ אָז יְרַנְּנוּ כַּל-עֵצֵי-יַעַר:

לְפְנֵי יהוה כִּי בָא כִּי בָא לִשְׁפֿט הָאָרֶץ יִשִּׁפֿט-תֵּבֵל בָּצֵדָק וְעַמִּים בֶּאֱמוּנָתוֹ:

### The Holy one reigns,

let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice.

Clouds and thick darkness surround You; righteousness and justice are the foundation of God's throne.

Fire goes before You and consumes God's foes on every side.

Lightning lights up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

The mountains melt like wax before God, before the Eternal of all the earth.

The heavens proclaim God's righteousness, and all peoples see God's glory.

All who worship images are put to shame, those who boast in idols—worship the Eternal One, all you gods!

Zion hears and rejoices and the villages of Judah are glad because of your judgments, O God.

For you, God, are the Most High over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

Let those who love the Holy One hate evil, God guards the lives of God's faithful ones and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

\*Light is sown for the righteous and joy for the upright of heart Rejoice, righteous ones, in God, give praise to the Holy Name.

תהילים צז

## Psalm 97

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**Adonai ma-lakh** ta-gel ha-a-retz yis-me-khu i-yim ra-bim:

a-nan va-a-ra-fel s'vi-vav tze-dek u-mish-pat m'khon ki-so:

eish l'fa-nav tei-lekh ute'la-het sa-viv tza-rav:

he-i-ru v'ra-kav tei-veil ra-a-tah vat-t'khel ha-a-retz:

ha-rim kad-do-nag na-ma-su mi-lif-nei Adonai mi-lif-nei a-don kol ha-a-retz:

hi-gi-du ha-sha-ma-yim tzid-ko v'ra-u khol ha-a-mim k'vo-do:

yei-vo-shu kol o-v'dei fe-sel ha-mit-ha-l'lim ba-eh-li-lim hish-ta-kha-vu lo kol E-lo-him:

sham'ah va-tis-makh tzi-yon va-ta-gel-nah b'not ye-hu-dah l'ma-an mish-pa-te-kha Adonai:

ki a-tah Adonai el-yon al kol ha-a-retz m'od na-a-lei-ta al kol E-lo-him:

o-ha-vei Adonai sin-u ra sho-mer naf-shot kha-si-dav mi-yad r'sha-im ya-tzi-leim:

\*or za-ru-a la-tzad-dik u-l'ish-rei lev sim-khah:

sim-khu tzad-di-kim ba-Adonai v' ho-du le-ze-kher kod-sho:

יהוה מְלְדְ תָּגֵל הָאָרֶץ יִשְׂמְחוּ אָיִים רַבִּים:

עָנָן וַעֲרָפֶל סְבִיבִיו צֶדֶק וּמִשְׁפְּט מְכוֹן כִּסְאוֹ:

אֵשׁ לְפָנְיו תֵּלֵךְ וּתְלַהֵט סְבִיב צָרְיו: הָאִירוּ בָרַקִיו תַּבֶל רָאֵתָה וַתַּחֵל הַאַרֵץ:

֖ הָרִים כַּדּוֹנַג נָמַסוּ מִלּפְנֵי יהוה מִלְפָנֵי אֵדוֹן כַּל-הַאֵרֵץ:

> הִגִּידוּ הַשְּׁמַיִם צִדְקוֹ וְרָאוּ כַל-הַעַמִּים כִּבוֹדוּ:

יֵבשׁוּ כָּל-עֹבְדֵי פֶּסֶל הַמִּתְהַלְלִים בָּאֵלִילִים הִשִּׁתַחוּ-לוֹ כַּל-אֱלֹהִים:

שָׁמְעָה וַתִּשְּׁמַח צִיּוֹן וַתְּגַלְנָה בִּנוֹת יִהוּדָה לִמַעַן מִשִּׁבָּטִידְּ יהוה:

בִּי-אַתָּה יהוה עֶלְיוֹן עַל-בָּל-הָאָרֶץ מְאֹד נַעַלֵית עַל-בַּל-אֵלהִים:

> אַהֲבִי יהוה שִׁנְאוּ-רֶע שֹׁמֶר נַפְשׁוֹת חַסִידִיו מִיַּד רְשָׁעִים יַצִּילֵם:

\*אוֹר זָרָעַ לַצַּדִּיק וּלְיִשְׁרֵי-לֵב שִׁמְחָה:

שְּׁמְחוּ צַּדִּיקִים בַּיהוָה וְהוֹדוּ לָזֵכֵר קַדְשׁוֹ.

A psalm:

Sing out to God, a new song, to One who has wrought wonders in the world, whose right hand was of aid, as was the holy, saving arm,

who made the divine might renowned revealed God's justice to the eyes of many nations.

and who remembered divine love and faithfulness, to the community of Israel

To the farthest reaches of the earth, they saw our God's salvation!

Trumpet out in joy THE AWESOME ONE's praise, burst forth and sing, and play your music, music for THE OMNIPRESENT on a harp, on strings, with voice and melody, with horn playing and shofar blasts, trumpet your praise before the sovereign to THE ONE WHO IS

Let the sea be in a tumult, and the settled world, and its inhabitants, And let the rivers clap their hands together, and the mountains sing in joy, to THE ONE who comes to rule the earth, to rule the settled world with justice, and all peoples with unerring deeds!



## Psalm 99

Adonai reigns, let the nations tremble;

God sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake.

Great is Adonai in Zion; Adonai is exalted over all the nations.

Let them praise Your great and awesome name—Adonai is holy.

The Sovereign is mighty, God loves justice— You have established equity; in Jacob You have done what is just and right.

Exalt Adonai our God, and worship at God's footstool; Adonai is holy.

Moses and Aaron were among God's priests, Samuel was among those who called on God's name; they called on Adonai, and God answered them.

God spoke to them from the pillar of cloud; they kept Adonai's statutes and the decrees Adonai gave them.

Adonai our God, you answered them; you were to Israel a forgiving God, an avenger of the wrongs done to them.

\*Exalt Adonai, our God. Bow down at God's holy mountain For God, our God, is holy.

Psalm 98 תהילים צח

Miz-mor **shi-ru l'Adonai** shir kha-dash ki nif-la-ot a-sah ho-shi-ah lo y'mi-no uz-ro-a kod-sho:

Ho-di-a Adonai y'shua-to I'ei-nei ha-goyim gi-lah tzid-ka-to:

Za-khar khas-do ve-ehmu-na-to I'veit Yis-ra-eil ra-u khol af-sei a-retz et y'shu-at Elo-hei-nu:

Ha-ri-u l'Adonai kol ha-aretz pitz-khu v'ran'nu v'za-mei-ru:

Zam-ru l'Adonai b'khi-nor b'khi-nor v'kol zim-rah:

Ba-kha-tzo-t'zrot v'kol sho-far ha-ri-u lif-nei ha-me-lekh Adonai:

Yi-ram ha-yam um-lo-o tei-veil v'yosh-vei vah:

N'ha-rot yim-kha-u khaf ya-khad ha-rim y'ra-nei-nu:

Lif-nei Adonai ki va lish-pot ha-a-retz yish-pot tei-veil b'tze-dek v'a-mim b'mei-sha-rim: מִזְמוֹר שִׁירוּ לְיהוָה שִׁיר חָדָשׁ בִּי-נִפְּלָאוֹת עָשָׂה הושִׁיעָה-לוֹ יְמִינוֹ וּזְרוֹעַ קַדְשׁוֹ:

הוֹדִיעַ יהוה יְשׁוּעָתוֹ לְעֵינֵי הַגּוֹיִם גִּלָּה צִדְקָתוֹ:

זָכַר חַסָּדּוֹ וֶאֱמוּנָתוֹ לְבֵית יִשְׂרָאֵל רָאוּ כָל-אַפְסִי-אָרֶץ אֵת יְשׁוּעַת אֱלֹהֵינוּ: הָרִיעוּ לַיהוָה כָּל-הָאָרֶץ פִּצְחוּ וְרַנְּנוּ וזמרוּ:

זַמְרוּ לַיהוָה בְּכִנּוֹר בְּכִנּוֹר וְקוֹל זִמְרָה: בַּחֲצֹצְרוֹת וְקוֹל שׁוֹפָר הָרִיעוּ לִפְנֵי הַמֶּלֶךְ יהוה:

יִרְעַם הַיָּם וּמְלֹאוֹ תֵּבֵל וְיֹשְׁבֵי בָהּ: נְהָרוֹת יִמְחֲאוּ-כָף יַחַד הָרִים יְרַנֵּנוּ: לִפְנֵי יהוה כִּי בָא לִשְׁפֹּט הָאָרֶץ יִשְׁפַּט-תֵּבַל בְּצֶדֶק וְעַמִּים בְּמֵישָׁרִים:



## Psalm 99

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Adonai ma-lach yir-g'zu a-mim yo-sheiv k'ru-vim ta-nut ha-a-retz:

Adonai b'tzi-yon ga-dol v'ram hu al kol ha-a-mim: yo-du shim-kha ga-dol v'no-ra ka-dosh hu: v'oz me-lech mish-pat a-heiv at-tah ko-nan-ta mei-sha-rim mish-pat u-tze-da-kah b'ya-a-kov a-tah a-si-ta:

ro-me-mu Adonai e-lo-hei-nu ve-hish-ta-kha-vu la-ha-dom rag-lav ka-dosh hu:

mo-sheh ve-a-ha-ron b'kho-ha-nav u'sh'mu-el b'ko-re-ei sh'mo ko-rim el Adonai v'hu ya-a-neim:

b'am-mud a-nan y'dab-ber a-lei-hem sham'ru ei-do-tav v'khok na-tan la-mo:

Adonai E-lo-hei-nu at-tah a-ni-tam eil no-sei ha-yi-ta la-hem v'no-kem al a-li-lo-tam:

\*Ro-me-mu Adonai E-lo-hei-nu ve-hish-ta-kha-vu le-har kod-sho ki ka-dosh Adonai E-lo-hei-nu:

## תהילים צט

יהוה מְלֶךְ יִרְגְזוּ עַמִּים יֹשֵׁב כְּרוּבִים תַּנוּט הַאָרֵץ:

יהוה בְּצִיּוֹן גָּדוֹל וְרָם הוּא עַל-כְּל-הָעַמִּים: יוֹדוּ שִׁמְךּ גִּדוֹל וְנוֹרָא קְדוֹשׁ הוּא: וְעֹז מֶלֶדְ מִשְׁפָּט אָהֵב אַתָּה כּוֹנַגְתָּ מֵישָׁרִים מִשְׁפָּט וּצְדָקָה בְּיַעַלְב אַתָּה עשית:

רוֹמְמֹּוּ יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְהִשְׁתַּחֲוּוּ לַהְדֹם רַגְלָיו קְדוֹשׁ הוּא: מֹשֶׁה וְאַהֲרֹן בְּכֹהֲנָיו וּשְׁמוּאֵל בְּקרְאֵי שְׁמוֹ קרִאים אֶל-יהוה וְהוּא יַעֲנֵם: בְּעַמוּד עָנָן יְדַבֵּר אֲלֵיהֶם שָׁמְרוּ עֵדֹתִיו וְחָק נָתַן-לָמוֹ:

יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוֹ אַתָּה עֲנִיתָם אֵל נֹשֵׂא הְיִיתְ לְהֶם וְנֹקֵם עַל-עֲלִילוֹתָם: \*כוממי יביר אלביני ורוֹייִתְּחִינִּ לִבר

\*רוֹמְמוּ יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְהִשְׁתַּחֲוּוּ לְהַר קַדְשׁוֹ כִּי-קָדוֹשׁ יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ:

**Praise Adonai**, you heavenly beings;

Give honor and glory to God.

Give the glory due God's name,
Worship God in the place of holiness.
The voice of God is heard across the waters,
The voice of God thunders over oceans,
The voice of God echoes with majesty and might.

The voice of God breaks the cedars, God shatters the cedars of Lebanon. God makes the mountains of Lebanon skip like a calf, The hills of Sirion leap like a young ox.

The voice of God makes the lightning flash. The voice of God makes the desert shake. God makes the wilderness of Kadesh tremble.

The voice of God shakes mighty oaks And strips the forest bare.

While in the sanctuary, all shout "Glory!"

God was enthroned at the time of the Flood, And will remain Sovereign forever.

The Almighty will grant strength to our people, God will bless our people with strength.

Miz-mor le-da-vid

**Ha-vu la-donai** be-nei e-lim ha-vu l'Adonai ka-vod va-oz:

ha-vu l'Adonai ke-vod she-mo hish-ta-kha-vu l'Adonai be-had-rat ko-desh:

kol Adonai al ha-ma-yim el ha-ka-vod hir-im: Adonai al ma-yim ra-bim:

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kol Adonai ba-ko-akh kol Adonai be-ha-dar:

kol Adonai sho-ver a-ra-zim vay-sha-ber Adonai et ar-zei ha-le-va-non:

vai-yar-ki-dem ke-mo e-gel le-va-non ve-sir-yon ke-mo ven re-e-mim:

kol Adonai kho-tzev la-ha-vot esh:

kol Adonai ya-khil mid-bar ya-khil Adonai mid-bar ka-desh:

kol Adonai ye-kho-lel a-ya-lot va-ye-khe-sof ye-a-rot uv-hei-kha-lo ku-lo o-mer ka-vod:

Adonai la-ma-bul ya-shav va-ye-shev Adonai me-lech le-o-lam:

Adonai oz le-a-mo yi-ten Adonai ye-va-rekh et a-mo va-sha-lom:

מִזְמוֹר לְדָוִד הָבוּ לַיהוָה בְּנֵי אֵלִים הָבוּ לַיהוָה כָּבוֹד וָעֹז:

הָבוּ לַיהוָה כְּבוֹד שְׁמוֹ הִשְׁתַּחֲווּ לַיהוָה בְּהַדְרַת-קֹדֶשׁ:

קוֹל יהוה עַל-הַמְּיִם אֵל-הַכְּבוֹד הָרְעִים יהוה עַל-מַיִם רַבִּים:

קוֹל-יהוה בַּכֹּחַ קוֹל יהוה בֶּהְדָר:

קוֹל יהוה שֹבֵר אֲרָזִים וַיְשַׁבֵּר יהוה אֶת-אַרְזֵי הַלְּבָנוֹן:

> וַיַּרְקִידֵם כְּמוֹ-עֵגֶל לְבָנוֹן וְשִּׁרְיֹן כִּמוֹ בֵן-רָאֵמִים:

קול-יהוה חצב להבות אש:

קוֹל יהוה יָחִיל מִדְבָּר יָחִיל יהוה מדבר קדש:

קול יהוה יְחוֹלֵל אַיָּלוֹת וַיֶּחֶשׂף יְעָרוֹת וּבְהֵיכָלוֹ כֻּלוֹ אֹמֵר כְּבוֹד:

יהוה לַמַבּוּל יָשָׁב וַיֵּשֶׁב יהוה מֵלֶךְ לִעוֹלָם:

יהוה עז לְעַמּוֹ יִתֵּן יהוה יְבְרֵךְ אֶת-עַמּוֹ בַשְּׁלוֹם:



### Shalom Aleikhem

Sha-Iom a-lei-khem שָׁלוֹם עֲלֵיכֶם mal-a-khei ha-sha-reit מַלְאֲבֵי הַשָּׁבִת mal-a-khei el-yon מַלְאֲבֵי עֶלְיוֹן mi-me-lekh mal-khei ham-la-khim מָמֶלֶך מַלְבֵי הַמְּלָבִים ha-ka-dosh ba-rukh Hu:

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Bo-a-khem I'sha-lom בּוֹאֲבֶכֶם לְשָׁלוֹם mal-akhei ha-sha-lom מַלְאֲבֵי הַשָּׁלוֹם mal-a-khei el-yon מַלְאֲבֵי עֶלְיוֹן mi-me-lekh mal-khei ham-la-khim מָמֶלֶךְ מַלְבִי הַמְּלֶרִים ha-ka-dosh ba-rukh Hu:

Bar-khu-ni l'sha-lom בְּרְכוּגִי לְשָׁלוֹם mal-a-khei ha-sha-lom מַלְאֲבֵי הַשָּׁלוֹם mal-a-khei el-yon מַלְאָבֵי שֶלְיוֹן mi-me-lekh mal-khei ham-la-khim מָמֶלֶדְ מַלְבִי הַמְּלָבִים ha-ka-dosh ba-rukh Hu:

Tzeit-khem I'sha-lom
mal-a-khei ha-sha-lom
mal-a-khei el-yon
mi-me-lekh mal-khei ham-la-khim
ha-ka-dosh ba-rukh Hu:

"בּאַרְכֶּם לְשָׁלוֹם
מַלְאֲכֵי הַשְּׁלוֹם
הוא:

Peace be to you, o ministering angels,
messengers of the One God.
May you enter in peace and bless me with peace,
and may your departure also be in peace,
O messengers of peace and of the One God who is blessed.

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### L'kha Dodi

Beloved, come to meet the bride, come to greet Shabbat.

- 1. "Keep" and "Remember" a single command from the One God, the Eternal One, honored, glorified and praised.
- Let us meet Shabbat, forever a fountain of blessing.
   It flows eternally, this last of days for which the first was made.
- All that glitters shall leave its ravaged state.
   You have lived long enough in the valley of tears. God's presence is now yours.
- 4. Lift yourself up! Shake off the dust! Array yourself in beauty, O my people! Deliverance is near.
- 5. Awake, awake, your light has come!
  Arise, shine, awake and sing; the Eternal's glory dawns upon you.
- 6. An end to shame and degradation; forget your sorrow; quiet your groans. The afflicted of my people find respite in you, the city renewed upon its ancient ruins.
- 7. The scavengers are scattered, your devourers have fled; \*Your God rejoices with you like a heart rejoices in love.
- 8. Your space will be broad, your worship free: await the promised one; we will exult, we will sing for joy!
- 9. Enter in peace, jewel of the Sabbath; enter in gladness, enter in joy. Come to the people that keeps its faith. Welcome O Bride! Welcome Shabbat!

L'kha Dodi (Come, My Beloved) was composed by a 16th century Kabbalist, Rabbi Solomon Halevi Alkabetz (the first letters of each stanza spell out the author's Hebrew name, Shlomo Halevi).

The poem has two central themes: love for Shabbat and the redemption of the people Israel. It is appropriate that we sing of a messianic redemption on Shabbat for, the Talmud tells us, Shabbat is a foretaste of the world to come.

It is customary in many synagogues to rise and face the door when singing the last stanza of L'kha Dodi as one would greet an honored guest entering one's home.

In addition, when reciting the final line, "Welcome O Beloved; Welcome Shabbat," many bow at each word to honor the Shabbat bride as she enters.

The traditional imagery of a male-female bridal couple at the beginning and end of the poem removes it from the experience and sensibilities of many lesbians, gay, bisexual & transgender Jews. Borrowing from our sibling congregation, CBST in NYC, in verse 7 we offer "a heart rejoices in love,"

in addition to the traditional "bride and groom."
Recasting the experience in his own poem, BCC
member Michael Main many years ago transformed
the imagery within the tradition, and we continue to
do so:

We read of the mystics of Safed who ran through the streets on the eve of Shabbat proclaiming the arrival of the Bride

Shabbat was the Bride and Israel her Groom and she was welcomed with ecstatic joy.

We, too, come to welcome Shabbat; we enter our House, and we face toward the door proclaiming the arrival of the Bride.

"My beloved," says Ruth to Naomi,
"My beloved," says Jonathan to David,
"My beloved," says Rebekah to Isaac,
"My beloved," says Moses to Ziporah,
"My friends," says Miriam to the women,
"My people," says Aaron to the Israelites:
"Come to greet Shabbat."

L'kha Dodi לְבָה דוֹדִי

L'kha do-di lik-rat kal-lah P'nei Sha-bat n'ka-b'la לְכָה דוֹדִי לִקְרַאת כַּלְּה פִּגִי שַׁבַּת נִקַבְּלָה:

 Sha-mor v'za-khor b'di-bur e-khad, hish-mi-a-nu El ha-m'yu-khad Adonai e-khad, u'shmo e-khad l'sheim ul-ti-fer-et v'lit-hi-la: שָׁמוֹר וְזָכוֹר בְּדָבּוּר אֶחָד הִשְׁמִיעָנוּ אֵל הַמְּיָחָד יִיָּ אֶחָד וּשְׁמוֹ אֶחָד לִשֵׁם וּלִתִּפָּאֵרֵת וְלִתִהֹלָּה:

 Lik-rat Sha-bat l'khu v'neil-kha ki hi m'kor ha-b'ra-kha Mei-rosh mi-ke-dem n'su-kha sof ma-a-seh, b'makh-sha-va t'khi-la: לְקְרֵאת שַׁבְּת לְכוּ וְגַלְכָה כִּי הִיא מְקוֹר הַבְּרָכָה מֵראשׁ מִקֶּדֶם נְסוּכָה סוֹף מעשה בּמחשבה תחלה:

3. Mik-dash me-lekh, ir m'lu-kha ku-mi tze-i mi-tokh ha-ha-fe-kha Rav lakh she-vet b'ei-mek ha-ba-kha v'hu yakh'mol a-la-yikh khem-la: מִקְדָשׁ מֶלֶךְ עִיר מְלוּכָה קוּמִי צְאִי מִתּוֹךְ הַהֲפֵּכָה רַב לָךְ שֶׁבֶת בְּעֵמֶק הַבָּכָא וָהוּא יַחָמֹל עַלֵיִדְ חָמְלָה:

4. Hit-na-a-ri! Mei-a-far ku-mi! Liv'shi big'dei tif-ar-teikh, a-mi! Al yad ben yi-shai, bet ha-lakh-mi kar-va el naf-shi g'ala:

הָתְנַעֲרִי מֵעָפָר קוּמִי לִבְשִׁי בִּגְדֵי תִּפְאַרְתֵּדְּ עַמִּי עַל יַד בֶּן יִשֵּׁי בֵּית הַלַּחְמִי קרבה אל נפשׁי גּאלה:

5. Hit-o-r'ri, hit-o-r'ri, ki va o-reikh! Ku-mi o-ri U-ri u-ri, shir da-bei-ri k'vod Adonai a-la-yikh nig-la:

הָתְעוֹרְרִי הִתְעוֹרְרִי כִּי בָא אוֹרֵךְ קוּמִי אוֹרִי עוּרִי עוּרִי שִׁיר דַּבֵּרִי כָּבוֹד יָיַ עַלַיִּךְ נִגְלֵה:

6. Lo tei-vo-shi v'lo ti-kal-mi mah tish-to-kha-khi, u-mah te-he-mi Bakh ye-khe-su a-ni-yei a-mi v'niv-ne-ta ir al ti-lah:

לא תֵּבֹשִׁי וְלֹא תִּבְּלְמִי מַה תִּשְׁתּוֹחֲחִי וּמֵה תֶּהֶמִי בָּךְ יָחֱסוּ עֲנִיֵּי עַמִּי וְנִבְנְתָה עִיר עַל תִּלָּה:

 V'ha-yu lim-shi-sa sho-sa-yikh v'ra-kha-ku kol m'val-a-yikh ya-sis a-la-yikh E-lo-ha-yikh kim-sos kha-tan al ka-lah: \*[kim-sos lev b'a-ha-vah]

וְרְחֵקוּ כָּל מְבֵלְעָיִדְּ יָשִׁישׁ עָלַיִּדְ אֱלֹהְיִדְ כְּמְשׁוֹשׁ חָתָן עַל כַּלְה: \*[בִּמְשׁוֹשׁ לֵב בְּאַהֲבָה:]

וָהַיוּ לְמִשְׁפַה שׁסַיִדְּ

 Ya-min u'smol tif-ro-tzi v'et Adonai ta-a-ri-tzi Al yad ish ben par-tzi v'nis-me-kha v'na-gi-lah!

יָמִין וּשְׂמֹאׁל תִפְּרֹצִי וְאֶת יְיָ תַּעֲרִיצִי עַל יַד אִישׁ בָּן פַּרְצִי וְגִשְׂמְחָה וְנָגִילָה:

 Bo-i v'sha-lom, a-te-ret ba-a-lah gam b'sim-kha uv'tza-ha-lah Tokh e-mu-nei am s'gu-lah Bo-i kha-lah! Bo-i kha-lah!

בֹּאִי בְשָׁלוֹם עֲטֶרֶת בַּעֲלֶה גַם בְּשִׂמְחָה וּבְצָהֱלֶה תוֹדְ אֱמוּנֵי עַם סְגַלֶּה בוֹאִי כַלָּה בּוֹאִי כַלָּה:

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### A song for Shabbat

It is good to praise Adonai and make music to Your name, O Most High, proclaiming Your love in the morning and Your faithfulness at night, to the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.

For You make me glad by Your deeds, Adonai; I sing for joy at what Your hands have done.

How great are Your works, Adonai, how profound Your thoughts!
Senseless people do not know, fools do not understand, that though the wicked spring up like grass and all evildoers flourish, they will be destroyed forever.

But You, Adonai, are forever exalted.

For surely Your enemies, Adonai, surely Your enemies will perish; all evildoers will be scattered.

You have exalted my horn like that of a wild ox; fine oils have been poured on me.

My eyes have seen the defeat of my adversaries; my ears have heard the rout of my wicked foes.

The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon; planted in the house of Adonai, they will flourish in the courts of our God.

They will still bear fruit in old age, they will stay fresh and green, proclaiming, "Adonai is upright; Adonai is my Rock, and there is no wickedness in God."

תהילים צב Psalm 92

Miz-mor shir I'yom ha-shab-bat: מַזְמוֹר שִׁיר לִיוֹם הַשַּׁבַּת: טוֹב לְהדוֹת לִיהוָה וֹלְזַמֵּר tov l'ho-dot la-donai u-le-za-meir לִשְׁמִדְּ עֵלִיוֹן: l'shim-kha el-yon: לְהַגִּיד בַּבֹּקֶרְ חַסְדֶּךְ le-hag-gid ba-bo-ker khas-de-kha וֶאֱמוּנָתִדְּ בַּלֵּילוֹת: ve-e-mu-nat'-kha ba-lei-lot: עַלֵי-עָשׂוֹר וַעַלֵי-נָבֵל עֲלֵי הִגְּיוֹן a-lei a-sor va-a-lei na-vel a-lei hi-ga-yon b'khi-nor: בִּי שִׁמַחַתַּנִי יהוה בִּפַעֵלֶךְ ki si-makh-ta-ni Adonai be-fo-o-le-kha בִּמַעֲשִׁי יָדִידְּ אַרַנֵּן: b'ma-a-sei ya-dei-kha a-ran-nen: מה-גַדְלוּ מַעֲשֵׁידְּ יהוה ma gad'-lu ma-a-sei-kha Adonai מָאַד עַמְקוּ מַחְשָׁבֹתֵיך: me-od am'-ku makh-she-vo-te-kha: אָיש-בַּעַר לֹא יָדַע וּכְסִיל לֹא-יַבִין אֵת-זֹאת: ish ba-ar lo yei-da u'kh-sil lo ya-vin et zot: בְּפָרֹחַ רְשָׁעִים כִּמוֹ עֵשֵׂב וַיַּצִיצו bif-ro-akh re-sha-im ke-mo e-sev va-ya-tzi-tzu בַּל-פַּעַלֵי אָוָן לְהָשַּׁמְדַם עָדֵי-עַד: kol po-a-lei a-ven l'hi-sham-dam a-dei ad: וְאַתָּה מֶרוֹם לִעֹלֵם יהוה: v'a-tah ma-rom le-o-lam Adonai: כִי הָנָה אִיבִידְּ יהוה כִּי-הְנָה ki hi-neh o-ve-vei-kha Adonai ki hi-neh אֹיָבֵיךּ יאבדוּ יִתְפַּרְדוּ o-ye-vei-kha yo-ve-du yit-par'-du בַלֹּ-פַּעֲלֵי אַון: kol po-a-lei a-ven: וַתָּבֶם כִּרְאֵים קַרְנִי va-ta-rem kir-eim kar-ni בַלֹתִי בִּשֶׁמֵן רַעַנַן: ba-lo-ti be-she-men ra-a-nan: וַתַּבֵּט עֵינִי בִּשׁוּרֵי בַּקְמִים עַלַי va-ta-bet ei-ni be-shu-rai bak-ka-mim a-lai מָרֵעִים תִּשְׁמַענַה אַזְנַי: me-re-im tish-ma-nah o-z'nai: צַדִּיק כַּתַּמַר יִפָּרַח כָּאֵרָז tzad-dik kat-ta-mar yif-rakh ke-e-rez בַּלְבַנוֹן יִשְׁגֵה: ba-le-va-non yis-geh: שָׁתוּלִים בְּבֵית יהוה בְּחַצְרוֹת she-tu-lim be-veit Adonai be-khatz-rot אֵלהֵינוֹ יַפַרִיחוּ: e-lo-hei-nu yaf-ri-khu: עוד ינובון בשיבה דשנים od ye-nu-vun be-sei-vah de-shei-nim וַרַעֲנַנִים יִהִיוּ: ve-ra-a-nan-nim yih-yu: לָהַגִּיד כִּי-יַשַר יהוה צוּרִי le-hag-gid -ki ya-shar Adonai tzu-ri וְלֹא-עַוְלַתֵּה בּוֹ.

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ve-lo av-la-tah bo:

Adonai ma-lach ge-ut la-vesh la-vesh Adonai oz hit-az-zar af ti-kon te-vel bal ti-mot:
na-chon kis-a-kha me-az me-o-lam a-tah:
nas'-u ne-ha-rot Adonai nas'-u ne-ha-rot ko-lam yis-u ne-ha-rot dokh'-yam:
mi-ko-lot ma-yim ra-bim a-di-rim mish-be-rei yam a-dir ba-ma-rom Adonai:
e-do-tei-cha ne-em-nu me-od le-veit'-kha na-a-va-h ko-desh Adonai l'-o-rech ya-mim:

יהוה מְלָךְ גֵּאוּת לְבֵשׁ לָבֵשׁ יהוה עז הִתְאַזָּר אַף-תִּכּוֹן תֵּבֵל בַּל-תִּמּוֹט: נְכוֹן כִּסְאָךְ מֵאָז מֵעוֹלְם אָתָה: נְשְׂאוּ נְהָרוֹת יְהוֹה נְשְׁאוּ נְהָרוֹת קוֹלָם יִשְׁאוּ נְהָרוֹת דְּכְיָם: מִקְלוֹת מֵיִם רַבִּים אַדִּירִים מִשְׁבְּרֵי-יָם מַקְלוֹת מֵיִם רַבִּים אַדִּירִים מִשְׁבְּרֵי-יָם מַדְתָיךְ נָאֶמְנוּ מְאֹד לְבֵיתְךְ נַאֲמָוֹה-קֹדֵשׁ יהוה לִאֹרֶךְ יַמִים.



#### Sovereign God,

You are crowned with majesty,
Adorned with splendor, supreme in strength.

You established the earth securely, You created a world that stands firm.

Your throne is established from of old, You are eternal.

The waters lift up their voices, O God, The waters lift up their roaring.

Yet above the voices of many waters, Above the breakers of the sea, You, O God, are mighty on high.

Your law is true and unfailing; Holiness is becoming to Your house, O God, for eternity.

## **Consoling The Mourners**

On the first appearance of mourners in the synagogue during Shiva (week of mourning), it is customary to greet them with the following words of consolation:

Ha-ma-kom y'na-khem et-khem b'tokh sh'ar a-vei-lei tzi-yon vi-ru-sha-la-yim.

הַמְּקוֹם יְנַחֵם אֶתְכֶם בְּתוֹךְ שְׁאָר אֲבֵלֵי צִיוֹן וִירוּשְׁלְיִם

May God, who comforts Israel, grant you solace in your bereavement. Amen.



Ha-ma-kom y'na-khem y'na-khem et-khem. may the Source of Life comfort you.

Ha-ma-kom y'na-khem y'na-khem et-khem. may our love embrace you,

b'tokh sh'ar a-vei-lei tzi-yon vi-ru-sha-la-yim, may their memory bring you peace, give you strength and be a blessing.

Ha-ma-kom y'na-khem y'na-khem et-khem. may our love embrace you.

[Adapted from Craig Taubman]

## Readings before lighting the Shabbat Candles

- 1.  $\mathcal{B}$  lessed is the match consumed in kindling flame.
  - ${\mathcal B}$  lessed is the flame that burns in the heart's secret places.
  - ${\mathcal B}$  lessed is the heart with strength to stop its beating for honor's sake.
  - ${\mathcal B}$ lessed is the match consumed in kindling flame.

[Hannah Senesh]

2. Loving God, with a full heart we thank You for the blessing of the week which has passed, and for the strength which You granted to overcome our difficulties.

We ask Your blessings for the week that lies ahead.

Grant health and contentment to our loved ones and friends.

Help us to strengthen each other with gentle words and acts of kindness.

Bestow Your blessings upon all Your children.

May we enter Shabbat in purity and peace, in radiant joy.

3. Shabbat m'nu-khah: This is my moment of rest.

Whose start is signaled by the softness of candlelight.

We have hurried to get here on time, to begin our moment of rest.

I have come here for Shabbat.

To celebrate all of who I am within a community of worshippers.

A community bound together by centuries of traditions.

With arms linked together, we form a living chain.

So let me share my Shabbat, my moment of being at ease, for the more I share of it, the more I have for myself.

Zeh ha-yom a-sah Adonai, na-gi-lah v'nis-m'khah vo.

וֶה הַיּוֹם עֲשָׂח יהוה נָגִילָה וְנִשְּׂמְחָה בוֹ:

This is the day God has made, so let us be joyful and happy in it!

4. In the beginning there was darkness, and the spirit of God hovered over the darkness.

 $T_{
m hen}$  God created light, and the work of creation was begun.

 $\mathcal{L}$  ight is the symbol of divinity and creative goodness. It is the outward sign of the inner spark God has shared with every one of us.

Light is the symbol of warmth and unity. It binds us together with all Jews, of all orientations, in all lands who are kindling their Shabbat lights.

In peace, in unity, with joy, let us now kindle our lights of Shabbat.

5. "Prayer is not a stratagem for occasional use, a refuge to resort to now and then.It is rather like an established residence for the innermost self.

All things have a home; the bird has a nest, the fox has a hole, the bee has a hive. A soul without prayer is a soul without a home."

[From Man's Quest for God, by Abraham Joshua Heschel]

6. Shabbat has come.

"Angels of Peace" usher in the power to heal and to hope.

Shabbat has come.

Bless us, Shekhinah, as we worship together. Help us, Adonai, to share this Shabbat in love.

Thank You, God, for the strength to work and the commitment to rest.

It is a reminder of our liberation from slavery.

On this Shabbat let us liberate ourselves from anxiety and doubt.

On this Shabbat let us free ourselves from meanspirited acts and thoughts.

May we be inspired to continue to work for the freedom of all peoples. May this work free us all from hatred, violence, ignorance and poverty.

Shabbat has come.

We are the spirit of Shabbat.

## Lighting the Shabbat Candles

Traditional

Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai E-lo-hei-nu me-lekh ha-o-lam a-sher kid'sha-nu b'mitz-vo-tav v'tzi-va-nu I'had-lik ner shel Sha-bat בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלְם אֲשֶׁר קִדְשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק גֵר שֶׁל שַׁבָּת

On festivals add:

v'shel Yom Tov

Alternative

B'ru-kha at Yah
Eloyheynu ru-akh ha-o-lam
a-sher kid'shat-nu b'mitz-vo-teha
v'tzi-vat-nu l'had-lik ner shel Sha-bat

וְשֶׁל יוֹם טוֹב בְּרוּכָה אַתְּ יָה אֶלהֵינוּ רוּחַ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשַׁתְנוּ בְּמִצְוּתֶיהְ וְצִוַּתְנוּ לְהַדְּלִיק גֵר שֶׁל שַבָּת וְצִוַּתְנוּ לְהַדְּלִיק גֵר שֶׁל שַבְּת

On festivals add:

v'shel Yom Tov

On festivals add:

וְשֶׁל יוֹם טוֹב

Blessed are You,

Creator of light, our God,
who makes us holy with mitzvot and commands us to kindle
the Sabbath [and festival] lights.

On festivals add:

Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai E-lo-hei-nu me-lekh ha-o-lam she-heh-khe-yanu, v'ki-y'ma-nu, v'hi-gi-a-nu laz-man ha-zeh בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה אֲלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלְם שֶׁהֶחֶיָנוּ וְקִיְמְנוּ וָהִגִּיעַנוּ לַזִּמֵן חַזֵּה

Praised are You, Our Eternal God, Creator of the universe, who has kept us in life, sustained us and enabled us to reach this season.

## **Shabbat Blessing for Family**

Dear God,

in whatever way it comes into our lives, we give thanks for the blessing of family.

For our children:
May you be who you are.
May you be blessed in all that you are.

And for each of us:

May we be who we say we are.

May we be who we were put on this earth to be.



## **Evening Service for Sabbath**

## **Call To Worship**

## ברכו

Ba-r'khu בְּרֶבוּ et Adonai אֶת יהוה the Holy One ha-m'vo-rakh! הַמְבֹרֶך

Ba-rukh Adonai בְּרוּדְ יהוֹה Bless

ha-m'vo-rakh הַבְּבֹרָ the Holy One

l'olam va-ed! לְעוֹלָם וַעֵּד forever

## Ma'Ariv Aravim

מַעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים

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Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai E-lo-hei-nu me-lekh ha-o-lam a-sher bid-va-ro ma-a-riv a-ra-vim. B'khokh-mah po-te-akh sh'a-rim u-vit-vu-nah m'sha-neh i-tim u-makh-lif et ha-z'ma-nim um'sa-der et ha-ko-kha-vim b'mish-m'ro-te-hem ba-ra-kia kir'tzo-no.

Bo-reh yom va-lai-lah go-lel or mi-p'nei kho-shekh v'kho-shekh mi-p'nei or u-ma-a-vir yom u-me-vi lai-lah u-mav-dil bein yom u-vein lai-lah Adonai tz-va-ot sh'mo.

El khai v'ka-yam ta-mid yim-lokh a-lei-nu l'o-lam va-ed.

Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai ha-ma-a-riv a-ra-vim.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶּךְ הְעוֹלְם אֲשֶׁר בִּדְבָרוֹ מֵעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים בְּחְכְמָה פּוֹתֵח שְעָרִים וּבִתְבוּנָה מְשַנָּה עִתִּים וּמַחֲלִיף אֶת הַוְּמַנִּים וּמְסַדֵּר אֶת הַכּוֹכְבִים בְּמִשְׁמְרוֹתִיהֶם בְּרָקִיעַ כְּרְצוֹנוֹ בּוֹרֵא יוֹם וְלָיְלָה גּוֹלֵל אוֹר מִפְּנֵי חשֶׁךְ וְחשֶׁךְ מִפְנֵי אוֹר וּמֵעֲבִיר חשֶׁךְ וְחשֶׁךְ מִפְנֵי אוֹר וּמֵעֲבִיר יוֹם וּמֵבִיא לְיְלָה וּמַבְדִיל בֵּין יוֹם וּבֵין לְיִלָּה יִיְ צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ. בְּלוֹךְ אַתָּיִם תְּמִיד יִמְלוֹדְ עָלֵינוּ בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, הַמַעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים:



## Ma'ariv Aravim

We bless You, Adonai our God,
Who are continually manifesting the universe.
You show Yourself in the falling dusk,
And as the gates of heaven open to a new day.
We see You in the cycles of time,
In the succession of seasons,
And in the courses of celestial bodies.

Source of day and night,
Light rolling away before darkness,
Darkness receding before light,
You are called Adonai Tzva'ot,
Life and Sustenance.
You manifest Yourself eternally.
We bless You, Adonai, in the evening dusk.

Ahavat Olam אַהְבַת עוֹלְם

A-ha-vat o-lam beit Yis-ra-el am-kha a-hav-ta, To-rah u-mitz-vot khu-kim u-mish-pa-tim o-ta-nu li-mad'ta.

Al ken Adonai E-lo-hei-nu b'shokh-vei-nu uv'ku-mei-nu na-si-akh b'khu-ke-kha.
V'nis-makh b'div-rei to-ra-te-kha uv'mitz-vo-te-kha l'o-lam va-ed.

Ki hem kha-yei-nu v'o-rekh ya-mei-nu u-va-hem neh-geh yo-mam va-lai-la.

V'a-ha-vat-kha al ta-sir mi-me-nu l'o-la-mim. Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, o-hev a-mo Yis-ra-el:

We have known the love of God, and we have learned the Torah and its Mitzvot. We have been instructed in its laws and judgments. Therefore, O Adonai our God, when we lie down and when we rise up we shall speak of Your commandments and rejoice in Your Torah

אַהָבַת עוֹלָם בֵּית יִשְׁרָאֵל עַמְּךּ אָהְבְתְּ תּוֹרָה וּמְצְּוֹת חֻקִּים וּמִשְׁפְּטִים אוֹתָנוּ לִמִּדְתָּ עַל כֵּן יִי אֱלֹהֵינוּ בְּשָׁכְבֵנוּ וּבְקוּמֵנוּ נָשִׁיח בְּחָקֶיךְ וּבְמִצְוֹתֶיךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. בִּי הֵם חַיֵּינוּ וְאֹרֶךְ יָמֵינוּ וּבְהֶם נָהְגָּה יוֹמֶם וְלִיְלָה וְאַהֲבְתְךְ אַל תְּסִיר מִמֶּנוּ לְעוֹלָמִים. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִי אוֹהֵב עַמּוֹ יִשִׂרָאֵל:

and Mitzvot. For they are our life and the length of our days; on them we will meditate day and night. May we always know God's love. Praised are You, O Adonai, lover of the people Israel.

## **Interpretive Ahavat Olam**

An unending love binds creation together like a beautiful patchwork quilt where each piece is unique and essential. To know only a part of it is to know all of it and to cherish the smallest thing is to cherish the greatest thing.

If we quiet down we can almost hear the Compassionate One lovingly sewing another stitch on creation's magnificent quilt.

Listen Israel, for the unceasing love that is buried within the deep, sweet silence of our souls. [Adapted by Bracha Yael based on traditional prayer and Ed La Fuente's Prayer on his deathbed, May 2002]

### Ki Hem Khayenu

Ki Hem kha-ye-nu ve'o-rekh ya-me-nu U'va-hem neh-geh yo-mam va'lai-la

These are our lives and the length of our days Oh we will pray and wonder

la, la, la...

Baruch A-tah Adonai She'bo-reh yom u'me-vee lai-la

Blessed is the One who brings us night and day Oh we will pray and wonder

la, la, la...

Yud-hay-vav-hay zot hee sh'no-te-net Yud-hay-vav-hay zot hee sh'lo-ka-khat

We come and go into the mystery Oh we will pray and wonder

la, la, la...

[words: Marsha Attie based on Ma'ariv Aravim and Ahavat Olam prayers from Ma'ariv service; music: Marsha Attie]

### Revelation

World.

In each age
we receive and transmit
Torah.
At each moment
we are addressed by the

In each age we are challenged by our ancient teaching.

At each moment we stand face to Face with Truth.
In each age

we add our wisdom to that which has gone before. At each moment

the knowing heart is filled with wonder.

In each age the children of Torah become its builders and seek to set the world firm on a foundation of Truth. [Rami Shapiro]

## Song of Myself

I hear and behold God in every object...
Why should I wish to see God better than this day?
I see something of God each hour of the twenty four, and each moment then,
In the faces of men and women I see God, and in my own face in the glass.
I find letters from God dropped in the street -- and every one is signed by God's name,

And I leave them where they are, for I know that others will punctually come forever and ever.

[Excerpt from Walt Whitman's Song of Myself, the longest poem in his book Leaves of Grass, written in 1855]



### K'riat Sh'ma

# שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אוד

Sh'ma Yis-ra-el: Adonai E-lo-hei-nu, Adonai e-khad Hear, O Israel: Adonai is our God, Adonai is One

## בְּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלְם וְעֶד

Ba-rukh Shem k'vod mal'khu-to l'o-lam va-ed Blessed be the Holy Name, whose glorious way is eternal

Ve-a-hav-ta et Adonai E-lo-hei-kha b'khol l'vav-kha uv'khol naf-sh-kha uv'khol m'o-de-kha.

V'ha-yu had'va-rim ha-e-leh a-sher a-no-khi m'tzav-kha ha-yom al l'va-ve-kha:

V'shi-nan-tam l'va-ne-kha, v'di-bar-ta bam b'shiv-t'kha b'vei'te-kha, uv'lekh-te-kha va-de-rekh, uv-shokh-b'kha uv-ku-me-kha.

Uk-shar-tam l'ot al ya-de-kha, v-ha-yu l'to-to-fot bein ei-ne-kha. ukh-tav-tam al m'zu-zot bei-te-kha u-vish-a-re-kha: וְאָהַבְּהְּ אֶת יְהְוָה אֱלֹהֶיךְּ בְּכָל־לְבְבְּךְּ וּבְכָל־נַפְשְׁךָּ וּבְכַל־מְאֹדֶך: וְהְיוּ הַדְּבְרִים הָאֵלֶּה מְצַוְּךֶּ הַיִּוֹם עַל־לְבָבֶד: מְצַוְּךֶּ הַיִּוֹם עַל־לְבָבֶד: וְשְׁנַּנְתְּם לְבָנִידְ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בֶּם וּקְשַׁרְתְּם לְאָוֹת עַל־יָדֶדְ וֹקְיִוּ לְטִטְפְת בֵּיוֹ עֵינִידְ: וֹּהְיוּ לְטִטְפְת בֵּיוֹ עֵינִידְ: וֹהְיוּ לְטִטְפְת בִּיוֹ עֵינִידְ:

You shall love Adonai your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your might.

And these words which I command you this day shall be in your heart.

You shall teach them diligently unto your children, speaking of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.

Bind them for a sign upon your hand, and they shall be frontlets between your eyes.

Inscribe them upon the doorposts of your house and upon your gates.

### Shema and V'ahavta

Hear O Israel

Just as God is One, So are We!

Just as you shall love your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your might, so shall you love all people.

Teach love, compassion and understanding to your children when you sit in your home, while you walk on your way, when you retire and when you arise.

Bind these words as a sign upon your arm so that you may fight against prejudice, between your eyes so that you may not be blind to the suffering of others, and write them on the doorposts of your homes and gates so that you remind yourself and others that intolerance will not be tolerated within these walls.

[Adaptation of Deuteronomy 6:4-9 by BCC member Bracha Yael]



Now if you will listen diligently to the mitzvot that I command you this day: to love and to serve Adonai your God with all your heart and with all your soul, then I will bring rain to the land in its season, the early rain and the later rain, that you may gather a harvest rich in grain and wine and oil. And there will be grass in the fields for your cattle and abundant food for you.

Take heed lest your heart be tempted and you turn away to other gods and worship them, for then My anger will be kindled against you. And I will close the heavens and hold back the rain; the earth will bear no fruit, and you will soon perish from the good land I have given you.

Therefore, impress my words upon your heart and upon your soul. Bind them for a sign upon your hand, and they shall be for frontlets between your eyes. Teach your children to speak of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. Inscribe them upon the doorposts of your house and upon your gates. Then will you and your generations remain on the land which I promised to your ancestors for as long as the heavens remain over the earth.

[Deuteronomy 11:13-21]

## Shema and V'ahavta (cont'd)

And Adonai said to Moses,

"Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'In every generation make fringes for the corners of your garments, weaving a thread of blue into each fringe.

And it shall be a sign: Look at the fringes and remember all My commandments and do them. Thus, you will not follow the inclinations of your heart and the attractions of your eyes when they lead you astray.

B'midbar (Numbers) 15:37-39

\*L'ma-an tiz-k'ru va-asi-tem et kol mitz-vo-tai, vi-hi-tem k'do-shim le-lo-hei-khem:

A-ni Adonai E-lo-hei-khem, a-sher ho-tze-ti et-khem me-e-retz Mitz-ra-yim li-h'yot la-khem lei-lo-him:

Ani Adonai E-lo-hei-khem:

וַיּאֹמֶר יהוה, אֶל-מֹשֶׁה לֵאמֹר:

דַּבֵּר אֶל-בְּנֵי יִשְּׂרָאֵל, וְאָמַרְתָּ אֲלֵהֶם, וְעָשׁוּ לָהֶם צִיצִת עַל-בַּנְפֵי בִגְדֵיהֶם, לְדֹרֹתָם; וְנָתְנוּ עַל-צִיצִת הַבָּנָף, פְּתִיל תְּכֵלֶת.

ְוְהָיָה לָכֶם, לְצִיצִת, וּרְאִיתֶם אֹתוֹ וּזְכַרְתֶּם אֶת-כְּל-מִצְוֹת יהוה, וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֹתָם; וְלֹא-תָתוּרוּ אַחֲרֵי לְבַבְכֶם, וְאַחֲרֵי עֵינֵיכֶם, אֵשֵׁר-אַתֵּם זֹנִים, אַחֵרֵיהֵם.

\*לְמַעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ, וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת-כָּל-מִצְוֹתִי וָהִייתֵם קִדשִׁים לֵאלֹהֵיכֵם:

> אֲנִי יהוה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם אֲשֶׁר הוֹצֵאתִי אֶתְכֶם מֲאֶרֶץ מִצְרַיִם לִהְיוֹת לָכֶם, לֵאלֹהִים:

> > אַנִי יהוה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם:

\*Remember and observe all my commandments and be holy unto Me.

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

B'midbar (Numbers) 15:40-41

### Shema and V'ahavta (cont'd)

And you will love Adonai your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.

The path to the love of God is through the love of others. I do not love God until I love my neighbor as myself.

And these things which are revealed to you this day as mitzvot will remain in your heart.

Jewish faith unites the mind and heart. May our minds seek understanding, and our souls be aflame with love for God, Israel, and Torah.

Teach them to future generations and speak of them as you live in your dwellings, as you walk down the road, when you lie down to sleep, and when you rise up again.

We do not teach by words alone. We must make our lives and our actions into good teachings; we must ourselves embody Torah.

Bind them to your arm and wear them as symbols between your eyes. Inscribe them upon your doorposts and gates.

Let our hands be full of mitzvot. Let our eyes glow and our homes sparkle with the beauty of our heritage. Let our doors be opened wide to wisdom and righteousness.

Be mindful of all my mitzvot and do them: so shall you consecrate yourselves to your God. I, Adonai, am your God who led you out of Egypt to be your God. I Adonai, am your God.

Each commandment is a way to holiness. The mitzvot elevate our humanity as they enable us to magnify the Divine within ourselves and in the world.

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### Redemption

We Acknowledge and embrace the truth that

You alone are our God, and that we are Your people Israel.

You redeem us from the hand of tyrants,

And bring judgment upon all our oppressors.

You guide us in the face of danger,

And help us overcome adversity.

You bring our souls to life,

And do not let our footsteps falter.

Great are the things that You have done!

Your wonders are without number.

You visited judgment upon Pharaoh,

Performing signs and wonders in the land of Egypt.

You led Your people Israel through the divided waters,

Delivering us from slavery to lasting freedom.

When Your people Israel beheld Your awesome power,

They gave thanks to You and joyously accepted Your Sovereignty.

As Moses and the children of Israel sang praises for their redemption,

So we sing to You, our Redeemer in all generations.

Who is like You, Adonai, among the mighty?

Who is like You, majestic in holiness,

Awesome in splendor, maker of miracles?



#### True and trustworthy is this:

God is our Redeemer, and there is none else. We are Israel, God's people.

It is God who has delivered us from our enemies, who has led us to prevail throughout the ages. God performed miracles in the land of Pharaoh and brought us out of Egypt to freedom.

We give thanks to God as did Moses, Miriam, and the children of Israel at the shores of the Red Sea.

May this vision never fade: let us continue to work for the day when the nations will be one and at peace.

Then shall we sing with one accord, as Israel sang at the shores of the sea.

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# Mi khamokha Who is like You?

Exodus 15:11

Mi kha-mo-kha ba-e-lim Adonai? Mi ka-mo-kha, ne-dar ba-ko-desh, No-ra t'hi-lot, o-seh fe-leh? Mal-khut-kha ra-u va-ne-kha, bo-ke-a yam lif-nei Mo-sheh {u'Mir-yam} "Zeh E-li!" a-nu v'am-ru: "Adonai yim-lokh l'o-lam va-ed"

מִי כָמֹכָה בָּאֵלִים יהוה מִי כָּמֹכָה נֶאְדָּר בַּקּדֶשׁ נוֹרָא תְהִילֹת ,עשׁה פֶּלֶא: מַלְכוּתְדְּ רָאוּ בָנֶידְּ,בּוֹקֵעַ יָם לִפְנֵי משָׁה {וּמִרְיָם} זָה אֵלִי עָנוּ וְאָמְרוּ: יהוה יִמְלוֹדְ לְעוֹלָם וְעֶד:



Who is like You, Eternal One, Among the gods that are worshipped? Who is like You, majestic in holiness, Awesome in splendor, doing wonders?

In their escape from the sea, Your children saw Your sovereign might displayed. "This is my God," they cried.

"The Eternal will reign for ever and ever."

Who can comprehend Adonai Whose glorious holiness Is beyond all comprehension?

When we are awestruck by wonders of nature,
By miraculous events,
We may say as did the Children of Israel
When the Red Sea parted before Moses (and Miriam)

"Adonai prevails eternally!"

V'ne-e-mar: "Ki fa-dah Adonai et Ya-a-kov, ug'a-lo mi-yad kha-zak mi-me-nu." Ba-rukh a-tah, Adonai, ga-al Yis-ra-el. וְנֶאֶמַר: כִּי פָדָה יְיָ אֶת יַעֲקֹב וּגְאָלוֹ מִיַּד חָזָק מִמֶּנוּ בָּרוּך אַתָּה יְיָ גָאַל יִשְׂרָאֵל:

Now let us all say: The Eternal has redeemed Israel and all the oppressed. Blessed is the Eternal God. Hashkiveinu הַשְׁכִּיבֵנוּ

Ha-shki-vei-nu Adonai E-lo-hei-nu l'sha-lom, v'ha-a-mi-dei-nu mal-kei-nu [shom-rei-nu] l'kha-yim. Uf-ros a-lei-nu su-kat sh'lo-me-kha v'tak-nei-nu b'ei-tza tovah mil-fa-ne-kha v'ho-shi-ei-nu l'ma-an sh'me-kha. V'ha-gein ba-a-dei-nu v'ha-ser me-a-lei-nu o-yeiv de-ver v'khe-rev v'ra-av v'ya-gon v'ha-ser sa-tan mil-fa-nei-nu u-me-a-kha-rei-nu. Uv-tzeil k'na-fe-kha tas-ti-rei-nu ki-El shom-rei-nu u-ma-tzi-lei-nu a-tah. Ki-El me-lekh kha-nun v'ra-khum a-tah. Ush-mor tze-tei-nu u-vo-ei-nu l-kha-yim ul-sha-lom mei-a-tah v'ad o-lam.

Uf-ros a-lei-nu su-kat sh-lo-me-kha.

Ba-rukh A-tah Adonai, ha-po-res su-kat sha-lom a-lei-nu v'al kol a-mo Yis-ra-el v'al Y'ru-sha-la-yim, v'al kol yoshvei teiveil. הַשְּבִּיבֵנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ לְשָׁלוֹם וְהַעֲמִידֵנוּ מִלְבֵּנוּ [שׁוֹמְרֵנוּ] לְחַיִּים וּפְרוֹשׁ עֲלֵינוּ סֻבַּת שְׁלוֹמֶךּ וְתַקְנֵנוּ בְּעֵצְה טוֹבָה מִלְפְנֶיךּ בַּעַדֵנוּ וְהָסֵר מֵעְלֵינוּ אוֹיֵב בָּעַדֵנוּ וְהָסֵר מִעְלֵינוּ אוֹיֵב מִלְפְנֵינוּ וּמֵאַחֲרֵנוּ וּבְצֵל כְּנָפֶיךְ מִלְפְנֵינוּ וּמַאַחְרֵנוּ וּבְצֵל כְּנָפֶיךְ כִּי אֵל מֶלֶךְ חַנּוּן וְרַחוּם אָתָּה וּשְׁמוֹר צֵאתֵנוּ וּבוֹאֵנוּ לְחַיִּים וּלְשָׁלוֹם מַעַתָּה וְעַד עוֹלָם.

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וּפְרשׁ עָלֵינוּ סֻבַּת שְׁלוֹמֶךְ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, הַפּוֹרֵשׁ סֻבַּתּ שׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל בַּל עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל ועַל ירוּשַׁלַיִם וְעַל בָּל יוֹשׁבֵי תֵבֵל.



# The Peace of Wild Things

When despair for the world grows in me and I wake in the night at the least sound in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be, I go and lie down where the wood drake rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.

I come into the peace of wild things who do not tax their lives with forethought of grief.

I come into the presence of still water.

And I feel above me the day - blind stars waiting with their light.

For a time
I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.

[Wendell Barry, reprinted in the prayerbook, Kol Haneshemah for Shabbat p.765]

# **Canopy of Peace**

May we lie down this night in peace and rise up to life renewed. May night spread over us a shelter of peace, of quiet and calm, the blessing of rest.

There will come a time when morning will bring no word of war or famine or anguish; there will come a day of happiness, of contentment and peace.

Praised be the source of joy within us, for the night and its rest, for the promise of peace.



Help us, O God, to lie down in peace,
And awaken us to life on the morrow.
May we always be guided by Your good counsel,
And thus find shelter in your tent of peace.
Shield us, we pray, against our foes,
Against plagues, destruction, and sorrow.
Strengthen us against the evil forces
Which abound on every side.

Because You are Eternal.
Guard us always and everywhere;
Bless us with life and peace.
Praise to You, O God of peace,
Whose love is always with us,
Spread over us Your shelter of peace,
Blessed are You, Adonai,
who spread your canopy of peace
over all Your people Israel,
over Jerusalem, over all the world.

May we always feel protected

V'shamru יְשְׁמְרוּ

V'sham-ru v'nei Yi-sra-el et ha-Sha-bat, la'a-sot et ha-Sha-bat l'do-ro-tam b'rit 'o-lam. Bei-ni u-vein b'nei Yis-ra-el ot hi l'o-lam, ki she-shet ya-mim a-sah Adonai et ha-sha-ma-yim v'et ha-a-retz, u-va-yom ha-sh'vi-i sha-vat va-yi-na-fash. ְּשְׁמְרוּ בְנֵי יִשְּׂרָאֵל אֶת־הַשַּׁבְּת לַצְשׂוֹת אֶת־הַשַּבְּת לְדֹרֹתָם בְּרִית עוֹלָם. בִּינִי וּבִין בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אוֹת הִיא לְעֹלָם, כִּי־שֵׁשֶׁת יָמִים עֲשָׂה יהוה אֶת־הַשְּׁמַיִם וְאֶת־הָאֶרֶץ וּבִיוֹם הַשְּׁבִיעִי שָׁבַת וַיִּנְּפַשׁ.

On festivals add:

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Vay'da-ber Moshe et Mo-a-dey A-don-ai el Benai Yisrael

ויִדבַּר משָה אָת מוֹעדִי יהוה אָל בַּנִי יִשְׁראַל:

The children of Israel shall keep Shabbat, to observe Shabbat throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant. It is a sign between Me and the children of Israel forever, for in six days God made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day, God rested and was renewed.

[Exodus 31:16-17]

On festivals add:
Moses proclaimed the festivals of the Eternal to the people Israel. [Leviticus 23:44]



# Introduction to the Amidah

We stand for the Amidah,¹ and enter this space in time together through the gateway of the Hatzi Kaddish on page 39, and the first verse of the Amidah on page 40-1, thus both reminding ourselves to whom we pray, and asking for the ability to open our mouths for this purpose.

The Amidah can be viewed as a space in the service that is a time of both humility and boldness. This is one thought behind the practice of taking three steps backward and three steps forward, then bowing once to the left and once to the right when beginning the Amidah.<sup>2</sup> (Another custom is to take only three steps forward.) At the beginning and end of the Modim (Thanks) prayer, some people bow again, standing upright when they get to God's name – Adonai.

We pray at our own pace, in a voice loud enough for you to hear yourself, but not disturb another.<sup>3</sup> At the finish of the Amidah, one custom is to bow to the left and right again and take three steps backward before sitting down.

The traditional fixed prayers are on pages 40 through 50 <sup>4</sup> with an interpretive version on page 51, and Amidah concluding prayers on pages 52-3. Be sure to take time also for prayers of your own heart.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The word amidah means "standing."

<sup>2</sup> You come before God humbly by taking three steps backward (showing your respect) and then you boldly take three steps forward (as Abraham stepped forward to bargain with God over the fate of the righteous in Sodom and Gomorrah [Gen. 18:23]).

You utter the words of your prayers in a voice just above a whisper, loud enough for you to hear your own voice, not loud enough to disturb your neighbors at their prayers. Our model for this is Hannah, who prayed so fervently to God the words of her own heart that Eli the priest thought her to be drunk. Out of respect to her (because she had been misunderstood and insulted by Eli), and because God answered her form of prayer, the Rabbis of the Talmud adopted her prayer technique. (See I Samuel 1:10f for the Hannah story, and Talmud Berachot 31a-31b for the Rabbis' discussion).

These are the prayers for the Shabbat Amidah, seven instead of the nineteen found in the Amidah for weekdays. On Shabbat we leave out the prayers asking for things, and instead praise and thank God, including a special middle blessing about Shabbat itself.

Our teachers say that, if at some point in prayer you do not utter the words of your own heart, you have not truly prayed. The Amidah is a time not only for the fixed prayers on the page, but also for the prayers of your heart.

## Hatzi Kaddish

Yit-ga-dal v'yit-ka-dash sh'meh rabbah. b'al-ma div'ra khi-ru-teh. v'yam-likh mal-khu-teh b'kha-ye-khon u-v'yo-me-khon u-v'kha-yei d'khol bet Yis-ra-el. ba'a-ga-lah u-vi-z'man ka-riv, v'im-ru **a-men**.

Y'heh sh'meh rabah m'vo-rakh l'a-lam ul'almei al'ma-ya.

Yit-ba-rakh v'yish-ta-bakh v'yit-pa-ar v'yit-ro-mam v'yit-na-seih. v'yit-ha-dar v'yit-a-leh v'yit-ha-lal sh'meh d'kud-sha b'rikh Hu. l'e-la min kol bir'kha-ta v'shi-ra-ta, tush-b'kha-ta v'ne-khe-ma-ta da-a-mi-ran b'al-ma. v'im-ru **a-men**.

יִתְצַּדֵּל וְיִתְקַדֵּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כִרְעוּתֵהּ וְיַמְלִידְ מַלְכוּתֵהּ בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בַּעֲגָלָא וּבִּזְמַן קָרִיב וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:

יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַדְּ לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלִמַיָּא:

יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלְּל שְׁמֵה דְּקַדְשָׁא בְּרִיךְ הוּא לְעֵלָּא מִן כָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא, תִּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחֱמָתָא דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא וְאָמֶרוּ אָמֵן:

Magnified and sanctified be Your name, O God. throughout the world, which You have created according to Your will. May Your sovereignty be accepted in our own days. in our own lives. and in the life of all the House of Israel, speedily and soon, and let us say. Amen.

May Your great name be blessed for ever and ever.

Exalted and honored, adored and acclaimed be Your name,

O Holy One. Blessed are You, whose glory transcends all praises,
songs, and blessings voiced in the world.

And let us say, Amen.

# **Quiet Prayer**

Adonai, open my lips that my mouth may declare Your praise.

Shekhinah, open my lips that my mouth may declare Your praise.

#### **Ancestors**

Blessed are You, Eternal our God, God of our fathers and mothers; God of Abraham, God of Sarah, God of Isaac, God of Rebecca, God of Jacob, God of Leah and God of Rachel.

The great, mighty, awesome and supreme God, who responds with acts of loving kindness, who possesses everything, and remembers with love the righteous deeds of our ancestors, and brings redemption to the children of their children for Your own sake.

#### On Shabbat Shuvah add:

Remember us for life, Sovereign who desires life, and inscribe us in the book of life, for Your sake, Eternal giver of life.

Sovereign, Helper, Savior, Protector. Praised are You, Eternal God, Who protected Abraham and remembered Sarah.

### **Divine Power**

You are mighty forever, O God, You give life to the dead. You are mighty to save.

In summer: You send down the dew.

In winter: You cause the wind to blow and the rain to fall.

You sustain life with merciful love.

You revive the dead with great compassion.

You support the falling, You heal the sick, You free the captives.

You keep faith with those who sleep in the dust.

Who is like You, Source of strength, who compares to You,

Sovereign, who causes life and death and brings forth salvation?

#### On Shabbat Shuvah add:

Who can compare to You, source of all mercy? In mercy You remember those You have created.

### **Amidah**

# אֲדֹנֶי שְׂפָתֵי תִּפְתָּח וּפי יַגִּיד תְּהִלְּתֶדְּ: שָׁכִינָה שִּׁפָתֵי תִּפִתְּחִי וּפִי יַגִּיד תִּהִלְּתֵךְ:

Adonai s'fa-tai tif-takh u-fi ya-gid t'hi-la-te-kha. Shekhinah s'fa-tai tif-t'khi u-fi ya-gid t'hi-la-tekh.

# Avot

**Avot V'imahot** 

E-Io-hei Avraham-E-Io-hei Yitzkhak v'E-Io-hei Yaakov. E-Io-hei Avraham-E-Io-hei Yitzkhak v'E-Io-hei Yaakov. E-Io-hei Sarah E-Ioh-ei Rivka E-Io-hei Leah v'E-Io-hei אלהֵי שָּׁרָה אלהֵי רִבְּקָה אלהֵי לֵאָה וֵאלהֵי שִּׁרָה אלהֵי רַבְּקָה אלהֵי לֵאָה וֵאלהֵי שִּׁרָה אלהֵי רַבְּקָה אלהֵי לֵאָה וֵאלהֵי שִּׁרָה אַלהִי שְׁרָה אַלהֵי רַבְּקָה אלהֵי לֵאָה וֵאלהֵי בּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא אֵל בּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא אֵל בּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא אֵל בּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא אַל בּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרְא אַל וֹן גּוֹמֵל חֲסָדִים טוֹבִים וְקוֹנֵה הַכּּל יִין עִיבוֹר וְאַמְהוֹת וּמֵבִיא גּוֹאֵל וֹנִיר חַסְדֵי אָבוֹת וְאִמְהוֹת וּמֵבִיא גּוֹאֵל וֹנִיתִם לִמַעַן שִׁמוֹ בִּאַהַבָּה:

Shabbat Shuvah add:

Zokh-rei-nu l'kha-yim me-lekh kha-fetz b'kha-yim, v'khat-veinu b'sei-fer ha-kha-yim, l'ma-an-kha Elo-him Kha-yim.

Me-lekh o-zeir u-mo-shi-a u-ma-gein. Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, ma-gein Av-ra-hm u-fo-keid Sarah.

#### G'vurot

A-tah gi-bur l'o-lam Adonai, m'khai-yei mei-tim a-tah rav l'ho-shi-a.

In Summer:

Morid ha-tal.

In Winter:

Ma-shiv ha-ru-akh u-mo-rid ha-ga-shem

M'khal-keil kha-yim b'khe-sed, m'kha-yei mei-tim b'ra-kha-mim ra-bim so-meikh no-f'lim v'rofei kholim u-ma-tir a-su-rim u-m'kai-yeim e-mu-nato li-shei-nei a-far. Mi kha-mo-kha ba'al g'vu-rot u-mi do-me lakh me-lekh mei-mit u'm'kha-ye u-matz-mi-akh y'shu-a.

#### Shabbat Shuvah add:

Mi Kha-mo-kha av ha-rah-kha-mim, zo-kher y'tzu-rayv l'kha-yim b'ra-kha-mim.

Shabbat Shuvah add:

זָבְרֵנוּ לְחַיִּים מֶלֶךְ חָפֵץ בַּחַיִּים וְכָתְבֵנוּ בִּסֵפֵר הַחַיִּים לִמַעַנִּךְ אֵלהִים חַיִּים

מֶלֶךְ עוֹזֵר וּמוֹשִׁיעַ וּמְגַן: בֶּרוּךְ אַתְּה יָיָ מָגַן אַבְרָהָם וּפּּלֵּךְ שָרָה:

אַתָּה גָּבּוֹר לְעוֹלָם אֲדֹנָי, מְחַיֶּה מֵתִים אַתָּה, רַב לָהוֹשִׁיעֵ:

> וn Summer מוריד הטל:

> > In Winter:

מַשִּׁיב הַרוּחַ וּמוֹרִיד הַגַּשָּׁם:

מְכַלְבֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד, מְחַיֵּה מֵתִים בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים, סוֹמֵך נוֹפְלִים, וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים, וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים, וּמְקַיֵּם אֲמוּנָתוֹ לִישֵׁנֵי עָפָר. מִי כְמוֹךְ בַּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת וֹמִי דּוֹמֶה לָךְ מֶלֶךְ מֵמִית וּמְחֵיֵּה וּמַצִּמִיחַ יִשׁוּעַה:

Shabbat Shuvah add:

מִי כָמְוֹדְּ אָב הָרַחֲמִים זוֹכֵר יְצוּרָיו לְחַיִּים ברחמם

# Quiet Prayer (cont'd)

In faithfulness You cause the dead to live. Praised are You, God who revives the dead.

### Naming the Holy

You are holy and Your name is holy. Those who are holy praise You every day. You are the Holy One of Blessing.

### On Shabbat Shuvah conclude instead with:

Blessed are You, the holy Sovereign.

### The Day's Holiness

You made the seventh day for Your own sake. When the heaven and the earth were completed, You blessed the seventh day from all the days And made it holy above all the times; As it is written in Your Torah: And the heaven and the earth and all that they contain were completed and on the seventh day God completed the work which God had done, and rested on the seventh day from all the work which God had done. And God blessed the seventh day and set it apart, because on it God rested from all the work which God had created to do. 1

Our God and God of our fathers and mothers, be pleased with our rest.

And sanctify all of us with Your commandments and grant us our share in Your Torah and satisfy us with Your goodness, and gladden us with your redemption, and cleanse our hearts to serve You in truth, and entrust to us, Our God, in love and in pleasure, Your holy Sabbath on which Israel rests, blessing Your Name.

Blessed are You, Adonai, who blesses the Sabbath.

And the heaven and the earth... to do. Genesis 2:1-3.

V'ne'eman atah le'ha-chayot meitim. Baruch atah Adonai, mechayeh hameitim.

וְגֶאֶמֶן אַתָּה לְהַחֲיוֹת מֵתִים. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִי, מִחיַה הִמְתִים:

#### Kedusha

קדושה

Ata kadosh v'shimcha kadosh uk'doshim b'cholyom y'hal'lucha: Selah!\* Baruch Ata Adonai, ha'El hakadosh.

אַתָּה קָדוֹשׁ וְשִׁמְדְּ קָדוֹשׁ וּקְדוֹשִׁים בְּכָל יוֹם יְהַלְלוּדְּ, פֶּלָה\*. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה יְיָ, הָאֵל הַקָּדוֹשׁ

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\*On Shabbat Shuvah conclude instead with:

Baruch Ata Adonai, ha'melech hakadosh

\*On Shabbat Shuvah conclude instead with: בּרוּךְ אַתַּה יִיָּ, המֵלַךְ הַקַּדוֹשׁ

### **Kedushat Hayom**

# קדושת היום

At-a ki-dash'ta et-yom hash'vi'i lish'mekha: Tach'lit ma-a-sei sha-ma-yim va-aretz, u-vei-rakh-to mi-kol ha-ya-mim v'ki-dash-to mi-kol ha-z'man-im, v'khein ka-tuv b'tora-te-kha: אַתָּה קדַשְׁתָּ אֶת יוֹם הַשְּׁבִיעִי לִשְׁמֶדְּ, תַּכְלִית מַעֲשֵׂה שְׁמֵים וְאָרֶץ, וּבַרַכְתּוֹ מִכָּל הַיָּמִים, וְקִדַשְׁתּוֹ מִכְּל הַוְּמַנִּים, וְכֵן כָּתוּב בְּתוֹרָתֶדְ:

Va-y'khu-lu ha-sha-ma-yim v'ha-a-retz v'khol tz'va-am.
Va-y'khal E-lo-him ba-yom ha-sh'vi-i m'lakh-to
a-sher a-sa. Va-yish-bot ba-yom hash'vi'i mi-kol
m'lach-to a-sher a-sa: Va-y'va-reik E-lo-him et
yom hash'vi'i va-y'ka-deish o-to. Ki vo sha-vat
mi-kol m'lakh'to a-sher ba-ra E-lo-him la-a-sot.
[Genesis 2:1-3]

E-lo-hei-nu vei-lo-hei a-vo-tei-nu v'i-mo-teinu, R'tzei vim-nu-kha-tei-nu. Ka-d'shei-nu b'mitz-vo-te-kha, v'tein khel-kei-nu b'to-ra-te-kha. Sa-bei-nu mi-tu-vekha, v'sa-m'khei-nu bi-shu-a-te-kha, v'ta-heir li-bei-nu l'av-d'kha be-e-met. V'han-khi-lei-nu, Adonai E-lo-hei-nu, b'a-ha-va uv'ra-tzon Shabat kod-she-kha v'ya-nu-khu va kol Yisrael m'ka-d'shei sh'me-kha.

אֶלהֵינוּ וֵאלהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמוֹתֵינוּ, רְצֵה בִמְנוּחָתֵנוּ, קַדְּשֵׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֶידְ וְתֵן חֶלְקֵנוּ בְּתוֹרְתֶדְ, שַׁבְּעֵנוּ מִטּוּבֶדְּ וְשַׂמְחֵנוּ בִּישׁוּעָתֶדְ, וְטַהֵּר לִבֵּנוּ לְעָבְדְדְ בָּצֵּמֶת, וְהַנְחִילֵנוּ יהוה אֱלֹהִינוּ בְּאַהְבָה וּבְרָצוֹן שַׁבַּת קְדְשֶׁךְ וְיָנוּחוּ בָה כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל מְקַדְשֵׁי שְמֶדְ. בַּרוּדְ אַתַּה יהוה, מִקְדֵשׁ הַשַּׁבַּת.

Ba-ruch Ata Adonai, m'ka-deish ha-Shabat.

# Quiet Prayer (cont'd)

### Worship

Our God, accept Your people Israel and their prayer. Restore worship to Your Sanctuary, and with love and good will may You always receive the prayers and the worship of Your people Israel.

### On Rosh Chodesh and festivals including Chol Hamoed add:

Our God, God of our fathers and mothers,
may Your remembrance of us and of our ancestors,
of the Messiah descendant of David Your servant,
of Jerusalem Your holy city and of Your people the house of Israel
come before You and be heard, remembered and
accepted with love and favor, tenderness and mercy.
May these remembrances arise and be recalled, shine forth and come to You
for deliverance, life and peace, on this day of the

(Rosh Chodesh) New Month

(Pesah) Festival of Unleavened Bread

(Sukkot) Festival of Booths

Our God, remember us this day for good.

Be mindful of us this day for blessing, preserve us this day for life. With the promise of redemption and mercy show us compassion and grace, and have pity on us and save us. our eyes are lifted toward You, for You are a gracious and merciful God. Let our eyes see Your loving return to Zion.

### **Thanks**

We thank You,

for You are our God

and God of our fathers and mothers forever.

You are the Rock of our life, the Shield of our salvation.

From generation to generation may we thank You

Holy One of Blessing, return Your Presence to Zion.

and count Your praises:

for our lives which are committed into Your hand,

for our souls which are entrusted to You,

for Your miracles which are with us every day,

for Your wonders and goodness at all times, evening, morning and noon.

O Good One, Your compassion never fails, Your kindness never ends.

We have always placed our hope in You.

### R'tzei

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R'tzei, Adonai E-lo-hei-nu, b'a-m'kha yis-ra-eil u-vit-fi-la-tam. V'ha-sheiv et ha-a-vo-dah lid-vir bei-te-kha, ut'fi-la-tam b'a-ha-va t'ka-beil b-ra-tzon. U-t'hi l'ra-tzon ta-mid a-vo-dat Yis-ra-eil a-me-kha.

#### On Rosh Chodesh and festivals including Chol Hamoed add:

E-lo-hei-nu vei-lo-hei-nu v'i-mo-tei-nu, ya-a-leh v'ya-vo. V'ya-gi-ya, v'yei-ra-eh, v'yei-ra-tzeh, v'yi-sha-ma, v'yi-pakeid, v'yi-za-kher zikh-ro-nei-nu u-fik-do-nei-nu, v-zikh-ron a-vo-tei-nu v'i-mo-tei-nu, v-zikh-ron Ma-shi-akh-ben Da-vid av-de-kha, v-zikh-ron Yi-ru-sha-la-yim ir kad-she-kha, v-zikh-ron kol am-kha beit Yis-ra-eil l'fa-ne-kha, lif-lei-tah, I'to-vah, I'khein ul-khe-sed ul-ra-kha-mim, I-kha-yim ul-sha-lom, b'yom

(Rosh Chodesh) Rosh Ha-kho-desh (Pesah) Khag ha-ma-tzot (Sukkot) Khag ha-su-kot

Ha-zeh. Zakh-re-nu, Adonai E-lo-hei-nu, bo l'to-vah, u-fak-dei-nu vo liv-ra-kha, v'ho-shi-ei-nu vo l-kha-yim, u-vid-var y'shua v-ra-kha-mim, khus v'kha-nei-nu, v-ra-kheim a-lei-nu v'ho-shi-ei-nu, ki ei-le-kha ei-nei-nu, ki eil me-lekh kha-nun v-ra-khum a'tah.

V'te-khe-ze-na ei-nei-nu b'shu-v'kha, l'tzi-on b'ra-kha-mim. Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, ha-ma-kha-zir sh'khi-na-to l'tzi-on.

רְצֵה, יָיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, בְּעַמְּדְּ יִשְׂרָאֵל וּבְתְפָלְּתָם, וְהָשֵׁב אֶת הָעֵבוֹדָה לִדבִיר בִּיתֵדְ, וֹתְפִּלְּתָם בְּאַהֲבָה תְקַבֵּל בְּרָצוֹן, ותהי לַרַצון תַמִיד עֲבוֹדַת יִשְׂרָצֵל עַמֶּךְ.

On Rosh Chodesh and festivals including Chol Hamoed add: אַלהינו ואלהי אבותינו ואַמוֹתינוּ, יעלה ויבוא ויַגִּיעַ, ויַראָה וְיֵרְצָה וְיִשְׁמַע, וְיִפַּקְד ויזַכֶר זַכְרוֹנֵנוּ וּפָקדוֹנֵנוּ וִזְכְרוֹן אבותינו ואמותינו, וזכרון משיח בן דוד עבדה ווכרון ירושלים עיר קדשה וזכרוֹן כּל עמד בית ישראל, לפניד, לפליטה ולטובה, לחן ולחסד ולרחמים, לחיים ולשלום ביום

> (Rosh Chodesh) ראש החדש (Pesah) חג המצות (Sukkot) חַג הַסְּכּוֹת

הזה, זכרנו יהוה אלהינו בו לטובה, ופַקדנו בו לִבְרַכָה, וְהוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ בוֹ לְחַיִּים ובדבר ישועה ורחמים חוס וחגנו ורחם עַלֶינוּ וְהוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ, כִּי אֱלֵיךּ עִינֵינוּ, כִּי אֱל מֵלֶך חַנּוּן וָרַחוּם אַתַּה

> וְתֶחֱזֵינָה עֵינֵינוּ בִּשׁוּבִדְּ לְצִיּוֹן בָּרַתַמִים.בַרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה, המחזיר שכינתו לציון

ואלהי אבותינו ואמותינו לעולם

חיינו המסורים בידד, ועל

וַעָד, צוּר חַיֵּינוּ, מַגן יִשְׁעֵנוּ אַתַּה הוּא

נִשְׁמוֹתֵינוּ הַפְּקוּדוֹת לָדְ, וְעַל נִפֵּידְ

שבכל יום עמנו, ועל נפלאותיד

וטובותיד שבכל עת, ערב ובקר

וָהַמְרַחֵם כִּי לֹא תַמּוּ חַסְדֵיךּ,

מעולם קוינו לד.

וְצַהַרִים, הַטוֹב כִּי לֹא כַלוּ רַחַמִידּ,

לִדור וַדור, נודָה לִדְּ וּנְסַפֵּר תִּהַלַּתֵּדְ עַל

### Modim

Mo-dim a-nakh-nu lakh, sha-a-ta hu A-don-ai va-ed. Tzur kha-yei-nu ma-gein yish-ei-nu, a-ta hu l'dor va-dor. No-deh l'kha un'sa-peir t'hi-la-tekha, al kha-yei-nu ha-m'su-rim b'ya-de-kha, v'al nish-mo-tei-nu ha-p'ku-dot lakh, v'al ni-se-kha she-b'khol yom i-ma-nu, V'al nif-l'ote-kha v'to-vo-te-kha she-b'khol eit, e-rev va-vo-ker v'tza-ha-ra-yim. Ha-tov ki lo kha-lu ra-kha-me-kha v'ha-m'ra-kheim ki lo ta-mu kha-sa-de-kha, mei-o-lam ki-vi-nu lakh.

מוֹדִים אָנַחָנוּ לַדְּ, שַׁאַתַּה הוּא יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ E-lo-hei-nu v'E-lo-hei a-vo-tei-nu v'i-mo-tei-nu l'olam

# Quiet Prayer (cont'd)

### On Hanukah, Purim, Yom Ha-atzma-ut (Israeli Independence Day) and Pride Shabbat add:

For the miracles, for the redemption, for heroic acts, for saving deeds, for battles, all of which You have enacted for our ancestors at this time in days gone by.

#### On Hanukah continue with:

In the days of Matthew, son of Yohanan, Hasmonean High Priest, and Matthew's sons: a wicked Hellenistic government arose against Your people Israel, forcing them to shun Your Torah and to leave off from the laws Your will ordained. And You, in Your abundant mercy, stood up for Israel in their hour of distress. You pressed their claim, exacted justice for them. You delivered armed might to the weak, the many to the power of the few, the wicked to the power of the just, the vicious to the power of those occupied with Torah. You made known Your name that day, and made it holy in Your world. And for Your people Israel You enacted great deliverance, as in our own time. Afterward, Your children came into Your Temple's inner room. They cleared Your sanctuary, purified Your holy place, kindled lights inside Your holy courtyards, and established these eight days of Hanukah, for giving thanks and praise to Your great name.

#### On Purim continue with:

In the days of Mordechai and Esther, in Shushan, the capital, when Haman, the wicked, rose up against them and sought to destroy, to slay, and to exterminate all Jews, young and old, infants and women, on the same day, on the thirteenth of the twelfth month which is the month of Adar, and to plunder their possessions. But You in Your abundant mercy, nullified Haman's counsel and frustrated Haman's intentions and caused Haman's designs to return upon his own head, so that they hanged Haman on the gallows.

### On Hanukah. Purim, Yom Ha-atzmaut (Israeli Independence Day) and Pride Shabbat add:

Al ha-ni-sim v'al ha-pur-kan, v'al ha-g'vu-rot v'al hat-shu-ot, v'al ha-mil-kh-mot she'a-si-tah la-avo-tei-nu v'e-mo-tei-nu ba-ya-mim ha-hem baz-man ha-zeh.

#### On Hanukah add:

Bimei matit'yahu ben-yochanan cohen gadol, chash-mo-nai u'vanav, kshe'amda malchut yavan harsha'a al am-kha Yisrael, le'hashkicham tora-te-kha ul-ha'avi-ram mei-khu-kei r'tzo-necha.

V'Ata b'rachameicha harabim amadta lahem be'et tzaratam. Rav-ta et ri-vam. Dan-ta et di-nam. Na-kam-ta et nik-ma-tam Masarta giborim b'yad chalashim, v'rabim b'yad m'atim, Ut-mei-im b'yad t'ho-rim. Ur-sha-im b'yad tza-di-kim. V'zei-dim b'yad oskei toratecha. Ulcha asita shem gadol v'kadosh b'olameicha, ul'amcha Yisrael asita t'shua g'dola ufurkan k'hayom ha-zeh.

V'a-khar kakh ba'o vaneicha lidvir beitecha. Ufinu et-hei-kho-lecha, v'tiharu et-mikdashecha, v'hidliku neirot b'chatzrot kodshecha, v'kav'u shmonat y'mei Chanukah elu, l'hodot ul'halel l'shimcha hagadol.

#### On Purim add:

Bimei Mar-d'khai v'Es-ter b'Shu-shan ha-bi-rah, k'she-a-mad a-lei-hem ha-man ha-ra-sha, bi-keish l-hash-mid, l-ha-rog ul-a-beid et kol ha-ye-hudim mi-na-ar v'ad za'kein taf v'na-shim b'yom e-khad, bish-lo-sha a-ssar l'kho-desh sh-neim a-sar, hu kho-desh a-dar, ush-la-lam la-voz.

V'a-tah b'ra-kha-me-kha ha-ra-bim hei-far-ta et atz-a-to, v'kil-kol-ta et ma-kha-shav-to, va-ha-shei-vo-ta g'mu-lo b'ro-sho, v'ta-lo o-to v'et ba'nav al ha-eitz.

עַל הַנִּסְּם וְעַל-הַפֻּרְקָן וְעַל-הַגְּבוּרוֹת וְעַל-הַתְּשׁוּעוֹת וְעַל הַמִּלְחָמוֹת שֶׁעָשִּׁיתָ לַאֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בַּזְּמַן הַזֵּה:

#### בחנוכה

בִּימֵי מַתּתְיָהוּ בֶּן יוֹחָנָן כֹּהֵן גָּדוֹל חַשְׁמוֹנַאִי וּבָנָיו. כְּשֶׁעָמְדָה מַלְכוּת יָוָן הָרְשָׁעָה עַל עַמְדּ יִשרָאֵל לְהַשְׁכִּיחָם תּוֹרָתֶדְּ וּלְהַעֲבִירָם מַחָקֵי רְצוֹנֶדְ:

ּוְאַתָּה בְּרַחֲמֶיךּ הָרַבִּים עָמַדְתָּ לְהֶם בְּעֵת צָרְתָם. רַבְתָּ אֶת רִיבָם. דַנְתָּ אֶת דִינָם. נָקַמְתָּ אֶת נִקְמָתָם. מְסַרְתָּ גִּבּוֹרִים בְּיֵד חַלְשִׁים. וְרַבִּים בְּיֵד מְעַטִּים. וּטְמֵאִים בְּיַד טְהוֹרִים. וּרְשָׁעִים בְּיַד צַדִּיקִים. וְזָדִים בְּיַד עוֹסְמֵי תוֹרָתֶך. וּלְךְ עֲשִׂיתָ שֵׁם גָּדוֹל וְקָדוֹשׁ בְּעוֹלְמֶדְ, וּלְעַמְךְ יִשרָאֵל עֲשִׂיתָ תְּשׁוּעָה גְדוֹלְה וּפַרְקָן כְּהַיּוֹם הַזָּה:

> וְאַחַר כַּדְּ בָּאוּ בָנֶידְּ לִדְבִיר בֵּיתֶדְ. וּפִּנּוּ אֶת הֵיכָלֶדְּ, וְטָהֲרוּ אֶת מִקְדָּשֶׁדְ, וְהִדְלִיקוּ נֵרוֹת בְּחַצְרוֹת קָדְשֶׁדְ, וְקָבְעוּ שְׁמוֹנַת יְמֵי חֲנֻכָּה אֵלוּ, לְהוֹדוֹת וּלְהַלֵּל לְשָׁמִדְּ הַנָּדוֹל:

#### בפורים

בּימֵי מְרְדְּכֵי וְאֶסְתֵּר בְּשׁוּשַׁן הַבִּירָה, בְּשֶׁעְמַד עֲלֵיהֶם הָמָן הָרְשָׁע, בִּקֵשׁ לְהַשְׁמִיד, לַהַרוֹג וּלְאַבֵּד אֶת כָּל הַיְּהוּדִים מִנַּעַר וְעַד זָקֵן טַף וְנָשִׁים בְּיוֹם אֶחָד, בִּשְׁלשָׁה עָשָׂר לְחֹדֶשׁ שְׁנֵים עָשָׂר, הוּא חֹדֶשׁ אֲדָר, וּשְׁלְלָם לְבוֹז:

וְאַתָּה בְּרַחֲמֶידְ הָרַבִּים הַפַּרְתָּ אֶת עֲצְתוֹ, וְקַלְקַלְתָּ אֶת מַחֲשַׁבְתוֹ, וַהֲשֵׁבוֹתְ גְּמוּלוֹ בִּראשׁוֹ, וְתַלוּ אוֹתוֹ וִאֵת בָּנָיו עַל הָעֵץ.

#### On Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israeli Independence Day) continue with:

In the days when Jews were returning to the borders of old, seeking once again to come into the beloved land, many strove to keep us out. After so long in exile outside the Land, subject to persecution and death at the hands of those who despised us, You allow us the miracle of the land of milk and honey once again. You delivered armed might to the weak, the many to the power of the few. Inspired, we build a nation, speak anew the Holy tongue, hear its music burst from the lips of young children. You

gather in the exiles from the four corners of the earth, and once again there is both a hope and a refuge in the *olam ha-zeh*, in this world. For Your people Israel You enact great deliverances in our own time.

For the opportunity to re-vision who and what we are and might be, for all the possibilities to freely explore our Land, our people Israel, our Faith in new ways.

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#### On Pride Shabbat continue with:

In the days before Stonewall, many Jews were among those who felt the sting of homophobia, biphobia, transphobia, who suffered from misunderstanding and rejection by family and Jewish community. But You, Creator of us all, stood firm, reminding us what happened on the sixth day of creation: va'yivra Elohim et-haAdam b'tzalmo, b'tzelim Elohim bara oto, zakhar u'nikevah bara otam "And God created the Human in God's image, in the image of God was it created, male and female God created them" [Genesis 1:27], until many came to understand that You do not create in vain, do not create without intent; until many of us came to understand that we too are part of Your design, loved equally by You. And the more we have learned and understood, the more has Pride returned to our spirit and the more our spirits have turned to You. We pray for the day when kol haneshama t'hallel Yah, when all spirits, "every soul that breathes shall praise You," [Psalms 150:6] and admire Your diverse creations.

#### Continue here:

For all these things, Your name be blessed and raised in honor always, sovereign of ours, forever.

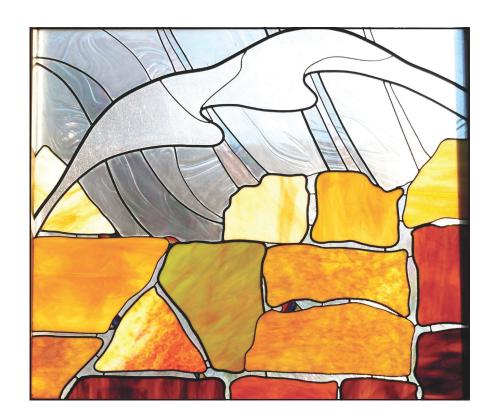
#### On Shabbat Shuvah add:

Inscribe all the children of Your covenant for a life of goodness.

For all these, our Sovereign, we will praise and revere You now and forever, and all life shall thank You and praise You, O God, our Redeemer and our Helper.

Holy One of Blessing, Source of goodness, it is pleasing to give thanks to You.

On Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israeli Independence Day) and on Pride Shabbat, continue in English: (Page 48)



### Continue here:

V'al ku-lam, Yit-ba-rakh v'yit-ro-mam shim-kha Mal-kei-nu, ta-mid l'o-lam va-ed.

#### On Shabbat Shuvah add:

Ukh-tov l'kha-yim to-vim kol b'nei v'ri-te-kha

V'khol ha-kha-yim yo-du-kha se-la vi-ha-l'lu et shim-kha be-e-met, ha-eil y'shu-a-tei-nu v'ez-ra-tei-nu se-la. Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, ha-tov shim-kha ul'kha na-eh l'ho-dot. וְעַל כָּלָם יִתְבָּרַדְ וְיִתְרוֹמַם שִׁמְדְ מַלְכֵּנוּ תָּמִיד לְעוֹלָם וָעֵד

וּכְתוֹב לְחַיִּים טוֹבִים כָּל בְּנֵי בְרִיתֶדְ

וְכֹל הַחַיִּים יוֹדוּךְ פֶּלְה וִיהַלְלוּ אֶת שִׁמְךָ בָּאֲמֶת. הָאֵל יְשׁוּעָתֵנוּ וְשֶוְרָתֵנוּ סֶלָה. בְּרוּךְ אַתְּה יהוה הַטוֹב שִׁמְךָ וּלְךְ נָאֶה לְהוֹדוֹת.

### Birkat Hashalom (Shalom Rav)

Sha-lom rav al Yis-ra-eil a-m'kha, ta-sim l'o-am. שָׁלוֹם רָב עַל יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמְּךְ תְּשִׁים לְעוֹלְם,
Ki a-tah Hu me-lekh adon l'khol ha-sha-lom.
V'tov b'ei-ne-kha l'va-reikh et a-m'kha Yis-ra-eil,
b'khol eit u-v'khol sha-ah bish-lo-me-kha.

Sha-lom rav al Yis-ra-eil a-m'kha, ta-sim l'o-am.

إעוֹם רָב עַל יִשְׂרָאֵל הַשְּׁלוֹם רְב עַל יִשְׁרָאֵל שְׁרָה בִּשְׁלוֹמֶךְ.

#### \*On Shabbat Shuvah conclude instead with:

B'sei-fer kha-yim, b'ra-kha v'sha-lom u-far-na-sah to-vah, ni-za-kheir v'ni-ka-teiv l'fa-ne-kha, a-nakh-nu v'khol am-kha beit Yis-ra-eil, l'kha-yim to-vim ul'sha-lom.

[Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, o-seh ha-sha-lom.]

בְּסֵפֶר חַיִּים, בְּרָכָה וְשָׁלום, וּפַּרְנָסָה טוֹבָה, נִזָּכֵר וְנִכְּתֵב לְפָנֶידְ. אֲנַחְנוּ וְכָל עַמְדְּ בֵּית יִשרְאֵל, לְחַיִּים טוֹבִים וּלְשָׁלוֹם: [בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה, עוֹשֶה הַשָּׁלוֹם]

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Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, ha-m'va-reikh et a-mo Yis-ra-eil ba-sha-lom. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה הַמְבָרֵךְ אֶת עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בַּשָּׁלוֹם.

### **Blessing for Peace**

May You grant eternal peace to your people Israel
Because You are God, Source of all peace;
And may it be good in Your eyes to bless Your people Israel
In every season and in every hour with peace.
\* Holy One of Blessing, You bless Your people Israel with peace.

#### \* On Shabbat Shuvah conclude with:

In the book of life and blessing, peace and prosperity, may we and all the house of Israel be remembered before You and inscribed for a life of goodness and peace.

Holy One of Blessing, You make peace.

# An Interpretive Amidah

Adonai open my lips. And my mouth shall declare your praise:

Blessed are you,
Adonai our God,
And God of our ancestors,
Of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob,
Of Sarah, Rebecca, Leah
and Rachel.
Great, revered and exalted.

Great, revered and exalted.
Bestowing loving kindness
And possessing all.
Mindful of the ancestors' love
for You

You send enlightenment To their children's children For the sake of your Name Through love.

Blessed are you, Adonai,
Creating the universe
In this eternal moment;
Spring - Morning
Planets and stars are born
Warmth returns to earth
And streams thaw and trickle;
Grasses burst through rocks,
Tender sprigs bend
In warm zephyrs.
Food-plants sprout.
The newborn babe cries.
Civilizations have their genesis.

Blessed are you, Adonai, Sustaining the universe In this eternal moment;

Summer - Noon

Celestial bodies course Through your heavens Societies flourish.

Lush garden thrives and matures;

Your children grow Heartbeat, bloodflow; Wounds heal.

Blessed are you, Adonai Dissolving the universe In this eternal moment; Autumn-Winter - Evening

Leaves fall

Twigs become brittle. Your children decline And return to dust.

And plants decay

Blessed are you, Adonai, Source of light and dark Source of good and evil Source of life and death; You are indeed One Having no adversary. Why do you author Dark, evil and death? May we ever perceive The basic Oneness Of seeming contrasts
And know they are really
Our human perceptions.
You, Adonai,
Are the only reality.
May we realize

Our unity with you.

Blessed are you, Adonai, Giver of Torah;
Telling your people
To walk in goodness
To strive for justice
To advocate peace
Resist all that's evil
Revere ageless wisdom,
Performing your mitzvot.
Both moral imperatives
And life-course ritual.
We grow closer to you.

Blessed are you, Adonai, Creating the world In six mystic days. You rest on the seventh And bid us to do so To make your name holy. Accept our rest, Holy One of all people, Blessed are You, Sanctifying the Sabbath.

[David Forbes Pardess]

At the conclusion of the Amidah, personal prayers or alternative meditations may be added.

E-lo-hai n'tzor l'sho-ni mei-ra. Us'fa-tai mi-da-beir mir-mah. V'lim-ka-le-lai naf-shi ti-dom, v'naf-shi ke-a-far la-kol tih-yeh. P'takh li-bi b'to-ra-te-kha, uv'mitz-vo-te-kha tir-dof naf-shi. V'khol ha-khosh-vim a-lai ra-ah, m'hei-rah ha'feir a-tza-tam v'kal-keil ma-kha-shav-tam. A-seh l'ma-an sh'me-kha a'seh l'ma-an y'mi-ne-kha, a-seh l'ma-an k'du-sha-te-kha. A-seh l'ma-an to-ra-te-kha. L'ma-an ye-khal'tzun y'di-deh-kha, ho-shi-ah y'min-kha va-a-nei-ni.

Yi-h'yu I'ra-tzon im-rei fi v'heg-yon Ii-bi I'fa-ne-kha. Adona, tzuri v'go-ali.

O'seh sha-lom bim-ro-mav, Hu ya-a-seh sha-lom a-lei-nu v'al kol Yis-ra-eil, v'im-ru a-men.

My God, guard my tongue from evil and my lips from speaking deceit, and to those who curse me may my soul be silent as the dust.

Open my heart to Your Torah that my soul may follow Your commandments.

And to all who think: badly of me swiftly frustrate their designs, spoil their plans.

Do so for Your own sake. Do so for the sake of Your right hand. Do so for the sake of Your holiness. Do so for the sake of Your Torah, that Your loved ones be delivered.

אֶלהַי, נְצֹר לְשׁוֹנִי מֵרָע וּשְׂפְתֵי מִדַּבֵּר מִרְמָה, וְלִמְקַלְלֵי נַפְשִׁי תִדּם, וְנַפְשִׁי בֶּעְפָּר לַכֹּל תִּהְיָה. פְּתַח לִבִּי בְּתוֹרְתֶּדְ, וּבְמִצְוֹתֶידְ תִּרְדּף נַפְשִׁי, וְכָל הַחוֹשְׁבִים עְלֵי רָעָה, מְהֵרָה הָפֵּר עֲצָתִם וְקַלְּקֵל מַחֲשַׁבְתָּם. עֲשֵׁה לְמַעַן שְׁמֶדְ, עֲשֵׂה לְמַעַן מְוֹרְתֶדְ, לְמַעַן יַחְלְצוּן יִדִידִידְ הוֹשִׁיעָה יְמִינְדְ וַעֲנֵנִי.

יִהְיוּ לְרָצוֹן אָמְרֵי פִּי וְהֶגְיוֹן לִבִּי לְפָנֶידְּ, יהוה צוּרִי וִגוֹאֵלִי:

עשֶׁה שָׁלוֹם בְּמְרוֹמְיוּ, הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

Save with Your right hand and answer me.

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable before You, My Rock and my Redeemer. May God, who makes peace on high, Bring peace to us and to all Israel.

Magen avot

Ma-gen avot v'im-ma-hot bid'va-ro, m'kha-yeh ha-kol b'ma-a-mar-ro ha-el ha-ka-dosh sh'-ein ka-mo-hu ha-me-ni-akh l-a-mo b-yom sha-bat kod-sho ki vam ra-tzah l-ha-ni-akh la-hem. L'fa-nav na-a-vod be-yir'ah va-fa-khad, v-no-deh lish-mo b'khol yom ta-mid, me-ein ha-b'ra-khot. El ha-ho-da-ot, a-don ha-sha-lom m'ka-desh ha-sha-bat um'va-rekh sh-vi-i u-me-ni-akh bik-du-sha l'am m'dush'nei o-neg ze'kher l'ma-a-seh v're-sheet.

מָגן אָבוֹת וְאִמְהוֹת בִּדְבָרוֹ, מְחֵיֵּה הַכּל בְּמַאֲמְרוֹ הָאֵל הַקְּדוֹשׁ שָׁאֵין כְּמוֹהוּ הַמֵּנִיחַ לְעַמּוֹ בְּיוֹם שַׁבַּת קָדְשׁוֹ כִּי בָם רָצָה לְהָנִיחַ לְהֶם. לְפָנִיו נַעֲבוֹד בְּיִרְאָה וְפַחַד, וְנוֹדֶה לִשְׁמוֹ בְּכָל יוֹם תָּמִיד מֵעֵין הַבְּרְכוֹת. אֵל הַהוֹדָאוֹת אֲדוֹן הַשָּלוֹם, מְקַדֵּשׁ הַמִּבְרֵךְ שְׁבִיעִי וּמֵנִיחַ בִּקְדָשָׁה לְעַם מְדָשְׁנִי עוֹנֶג זֵכֶר לְמַעֲשֹׁה בְרַאשִׁית.

מגן אבות

Shielding our ancestors with a word, and reviving the dead, the holy God, to whom none can compare.
God gives us rest on the holy Sabbath,
For it pleases God to give us repose.
Every day we stand in God's presence in awe and reverence,

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And ever praise God's name in thankful prayer. God to whom all thanks are due, God of shalom. God who hallows the Sabbath and blesses the seventh day.
God who grants rest and holiness to a people bounding with joy,
In remembrance of God's work of creation.

# **Healing Prayers**

El na rafah nah lah, El na rafah na lo אֵל נָא רְפָא נָא לְהָ, אֵל נָא רְפָא נָא לְהָ, אֵל נָא רְפָא נָא לְהָם, El na rafah nah lahem, El na rafah na li, El na rafah na lanu אֵל נָא רְפָא נָא לִנָא רְפָא נָא לְנִוּ

God, please, heal her, please, God, please, heal him, please. God, please, heal them, please, God, please, heal me, please, God, please, heal us, please. [Based on Numbers 12:13]

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# מִי שַבַּרַדְ אূבוֹתֵינוּ מִקוֹר הַבְּרַכָה לְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ

Mi sheberach avoteinu m'kor habracha l'imoteinu.

May the Source of Strength, who blessed the ones before us,
Help us find the courage to make our lives a blessing,
and let us say, Amen.

# מִי שֶׁבֶּרֶדְ אָמּוֹתֵינוּ מִקוֹר הַבְּרֶכָה לַאֲבוֹתֵינוּ

Mi sheberach imoteinu m'kor habracha l'avoteinu. Bless those in need of healing with r'fuah sh'leimah, רְפוּאָה שָׁלֵבֶה The renewal of body, the renewal of spirit, and let us say, Amen

[Written by Debbie Friedman and Drorah Setel]

### We must Praise

#### **Traditional**

It is our duty to praise the Creator of all, to ascribe greatness to the Author of creation, who has not made us like the nations of the lands nor placed us like the other families of the earth; who has not made our portion like theirs, nor our destiny like all their multitudes.

### Interpretive [Rabbi Dan Medwin]

WE MUST PRAISE the God of all the Maker of heaven and earth.

That made us as guardians of the Earth And who placed us as messengers of Torah That placed our lives with theirs, and our fate (linked) with all of the world

Therefore we bow in awe and thanksgiving before the One who is Sovereign over all, the Holy and Blessed One.

Thus our hope, our Almighty God, is that all peoples abandon their empty worship of human bigotry, and cease the blasphemy of calling on Your Name to justify oppression and hatred. Speedily turn all hearts to you, and soften our human arrogance, and make the lives of all people a source of honor to Your glorious Name; for Your rule is meant to make all Your creation a reflection of Your glory, as it is written, "God will reign forever in all things." And it is said, "Adonai will be Ruler over all the earth; for in that day God will be one, and will be called by one Name."

[Aleynu excepted from Mahzor Ubecharta Chaim, Congregation Sha'ar Zahav, San Francisco, 1983]

# Prayer for Israel "I Love the Doves of Jerusalem"

I love the doves of Jerusalem which sail and squabble over the Temple Mount and nest impartially in the Western Wall and in the Dome of the Rock the Yeshiva Porat Yosef and the museum of Al-Aksa these doves they are lovers of Jerusalem as she is in her messiness and her frenzy no doubt they pray these doves daily three times and five for the peace of Jerusalem [Stanley F. Chyet, z'l, 9/89]

# Rosh Chodesh Blessing for the new moon

Rosh chodesh ba'aleinu ve'al kol ha'olam le-tova Yechad'shehu ha'ka-dosh baruch hu Aleinu ve'al kol Yisrael

Le'chayim u'le'shalom le'sasson ul-simcha li-shuah ul'ne-chama ve'nomar (3x) Amen

The new moon brings goodness to us and to all the world the Blessed One renews us and all of Israel, for life, for peace, for joy and happiness, for redemption and compassion, and let us say, Amen

[words: blessing for the new moon; music: Marsha Attie]

Aleinu עַלֵינוּ

#### **Traditional**

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A-lei-nu l'sha-bei-akh la-adon ha-kol, la-teit g'du-lah l'yo-tzeir b'reishit, she-lo a-sa-nu k'go-yei ha'a-rat-zot, v'lo sa-man-u k'mish-pa-khot ha-a-da-mah, she-lo sam khel-ke-nu ka-hem, v'go-ra-le-nu k'khol ha-mo-nam.

### Interpretive [Rabbi Dan Medwin]

A-lei-nu I'sha-bei-akh la-adon ha-kol, la-teit g'du-lah I'yo-tzeir b'reishit, she'hu a-sa-nu k'shom-rei ha'a-da-ma, v'hu sa-ma-nu ki'shli-khei ha'torah, She'hu sam kha-yei-nu i-tam, v'go-ra-lei-nu im kol ha'olam.

#### All continue here:

Va-a-nakh-nu kor-im u-mish-ta-kha-vim u-mo-dim lif-nei me-lekh mal'khei ham-la-khim ha-ka-dosh Ba-rukh hu

She-hu no-teh sha-ma-yim, v'yo-sed a-retz, u-mo-shav v'karo ba-sha-ma-yim mi-ma'al, u'shkhi-nat u'zo b'ga-v'hei m'ro-mim, hu E-lo-hei-nu ein od, e-met mal'ke-nu, e-fes zu-la-to, ka-ka-tuv b'Tora-to: v'ya-da'ta ha-yom, v'aha-she-vo-ta el l'va-ve-kha. Ki A-donai, hu ha-E-lo-him, ba-sha-ma-yim mi-ma'al, v'al ha'a-retz mi-ta-khat ein od.

עָלִינוּ לְשַׁבֵּחַ לַאֲדוֹן הַכּּל, לְתֵת גְּדֻלְּה לְיוֹצֵר בְּרֵאשִׁית, שֶׁלֹא עָשָנוּ כְּגוֹיֵי הְאֲרְצוֹת, וְלֹא שָׁמְנוּ כְּמִשְׁפְּחוֹת הָאֲדָמָה, שֶׁלֹא שָׁם חֶלְקֵנוּ כְּהֶם, וְגוֹרְלֵנוּ כְּכָל-הֲמוֹנְם:

עָלֵינוּ לְשַׁבַּחַ לַאְדוֹן הַכּּל, לְתֵת גְּדָלָּה לְיוֹצֵר בְּרֵאשִׁית, שָהוּא עָשָׁנוּ כְּשׁוֹמְרֵי הָאֲדָמָה, וְהוּא שְמְנוּ כִּשְׁלִיחֵי הָתּוֹרָה, שֶׁהוּא שָם חַיֵינוּ אִתְּם, וְגוֹרָלֵנוּ עִם כָּל העוֹלָם:

וַאֲנַחְנוּ כּוֹרְעִים וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים לִפְּנֵי מֶלֶךְ מַלְכֵי הַמְּלְכִים הַקְּדוֹשׁ בְּרוּךְ הוּא:

שֶׁהוּא נוֹטֶה שְׁמֵיִם וְיוֹסֵד אֶּרֶץ. וּמוֹשֵׁב יְקָרוֹ בַּשְּׁמִים מִמַּעַל. וּשְׁכִינַת עֻזּוֹ בְּגֶבְהֵי מְרוֹמִים: הוּא אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֵין עוֹד. אֱמֶת מַלְבֵּנוּ. אֶפֶס זוּלְתוֹ. כַּכְּתוּב בְּתוֹרָתוֹ. וְיָדַעְתְּ הַיּוֹם וַהְשַׁבִתְ אֶל לְבָבֶךְ. כִּי יהוֹה הוּא הָאֱלֹהִים בַּשְׁמַיִם מִמַּעַל וְעַל הַאָּרֶץ מִתַּחַת אֵין עוֹד:

וְנֶאֶמַת וְהָיָה יהוה לְמֶלֶדְ עַל כְּל הָאָרֶץ. בַּיוֹם הַהוּא יִהְיֶה יהוה אֶחָד וּשְמוּ אֶחָד:

V'ne-e-mar: v'ha-yah Adonai l'me-lekh al kol ha-a-retz; ba-yom ha-hu y'hi-yeh Adonai e-khad u-sh'mo e-khad.

### Mourner's Kaddish

YITGADAL v'yitkadash shmei raba, b'alma div'ra chirutei. V'yamlich malchutei b'chayeichon uv'yomeichon, uv'chayei d'chol beit Yisrael, ba-a-gala uvizman kariv; V'im'ru: Amen. Yitbarach v'yishtabach v'yitpaar v'yitromam v'yitnasei, v'yit-hadar v'yitaleh v'yit'halal sh'mei d'Kud'sha, b'rich hu, \*l'eila min kol birchata v'shirata, tushb'chata v'nechemata da-amiran b'alma; V'imru: Amen.

Y'hei sh'lama raba min sh'maya, v'chayim aleinu v'al kol Yisrael; V'imru: Amen.

Oseh shalom bimromav, Hu yaaseh shalom aleinu v'al kol Yisrael v'al kol yoshvei teiveil; V'imru: Amen.

\* On Shabbat Shuvah: l'eila l'eila mikol

בעלמא די ברא כרעותה. וימליד מלכותה בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבִיוֹמֵיכוֹן, וּבְחַיֵּי דְכַל בֵּית ישראַל, בַעגַלָא וּבִוֹמַן קַרִיב; וְאָמָרוּ אָמֵן: Y'hei sh'mei raba m'varach l'alam ul'almei almaya. יָהֵא שְׁמֵה רַבָּא מִבָרַך לִעַלָם וּלִעַלְמֵי עַלְמֵיָא: יתברך וישתבח ויתפאר ויתרומם ויתנשא ויתהדר ויתעלה ויתהלל שמה דקדשא, בריך הוא, \*לעלא מן כל ברכתא רַתָּא, תִּשִבְּחַתָּא וְנֶחֵמֶתָא דַּאָמִירָן למא; ואמרו אמן: יְהֵאַ שְׁלֶמָא רַבָּא מִן שִׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים עַלִינוּ ּוְעַל כַּל יִשְׁרָאֵל; וְאָמָרוּ אַמֵן: עשֶׁה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמֵיו, הוּא יַעֲשֵׂה שַׁלוֹם עַלִינוּ וְעַל כַּל יִשְׁרָאָל וְעַל כַּל יושבי תַבַּל;

לְעֵלָּא לְעֵלָּא מְכַּל\*

MAY YOUR GREAT NAME grow in holiness in the world created as You willed.

May Your majesty rule in our lifetimes, in our day and in the lifetimes of the House of Israel, speedily and soon and we answer: Amen.

May Your Great Name be blessed for ever and eternity. May the Name of the Holy Blessed One be praised and lauded, glorified and exalted, honored and respected beyond any blessing, song, hymn or psalm that we on earth could offer, and we answer: Amen.

For us and all Israel may the blessing of peace and the promise of life come true, and let us say: Amen.

May the One who causes peace to reign in the high heavens, let peace descend on us, and on all Israel, and on all the world. And let us say: Amen.

May the source of peace send peace to all who mourn and comfort all who are bereaved.

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# Kiddush Blessing for wine & juice

Baruch Ata Ado-nai Elo-heinu Melech Ha'Olam, borei p'ri ha'gafen
Baruch Ata Ado-nai Elo-heinu Melech Ha'Olam, asher kideshanu b'mitzvotav v'ratzah vanu, v'Shabbat kodsho b'ahavah u'v'ratzon hinchilanu, zikaron lema'aseh v'rei-sheet.
Ki hu yom techilah le'mikraei kodesh, zeicher liy'tziat Mitzrayim. Ki vanu vacharta v'otanu kidashta mi'kol ha'amim, veShabbat kodshecha be'ahavah u'veratzon hinchaltanu.
Baruch ata Ado-nai Mekadesh HaShabbat.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוֹה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הְעוֹלְם בּוֹרֵא פְּרִי הַגְּפֶּן. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוֹה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הְעוֹלְם אֲשֶׁר קִדְשִׁוֹ בְּמִצְוֹתְיוֹ וְרָצְה בְנוּ וְשַבַּת קָדְשׁוֹ בְּמִצְוֹתְיוֹ וְרָצְה בְנוּ הְנְחִילְנוּ זִכְּרוֹן לְמֵעֲשֵׁה בְרִשִׁית. כִּי הוֹא יוֹם תְּחִלְּה לְמִקְרָאֵי קֹדֶשׁ זֵכֶר לִיצִיאַת מִצְרִים. כִּי בְנוּ בְחַרְתְּ וְאוֹתְנוּ לְיצִיאַת מִצְרִים. כִּי בְנוּ בְחַרְתְּ וְאוֹתְנוּ בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן הִנְחַלְתְּנוּ בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוֹה מְקַדֵּשׁ הַשַּׁבָּת

Blessed are you, God, our divine sovereign of the universe, creating the fruit of the vine.

Blessed are you, God, our divine sovereign of the universe, who desired us and made us unique by your ordered ways; and by the unique rest, in love and desire, you caused to settle upon us, to help us remember the original creation.

Because it is a day of beginning, of unique occurrences, by which we remember the Exodus from Egypt. For You have chosen us and made us unique from among all people, and Your unique rest in love and desire You have settled upon us. You are blessed, God, making this ceasing unique.



## A Traditional Prayer for the Congregation (adapted)

May God who blessed our ancestors Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah, bless this entire congregation together with all holy congregations: they and their families, and all that is theirs, along with those who unite to establish synagogues for prayer, and those who enter them to pray, and those who give funds for heat and light, wine and juice for Kiddush and Havdalah, bread to the wayfarer and charity to the poor, and all who devotedly involve themselves with the needs of this community.

May the Holy One reward them; may God remove sickness from them, heal them, and forgive their sins. May God bless them by prospering all their worthy endeavors. And let us say: Amen.



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