

The 47th Annual Joint Thanksgiving Service

including prayers for
Erev Shabbat/Friday Evening

*A Special Service
of spirit and strength,
celebration and affirmation*



The Hebrew Congregation of Saint Thomas
The Saint Thomas Reformed Church

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Friday, November 22, 2019

We Give Thanks for all God's Blessings

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Welcome to the annual Thanksgiving Service, at which the members of the Hebrew Congregation of Saint Thomas and Saint Thomas Reformed Church, as well as other partners, gather together in worship.

We are grateful for this chance to connect on a personal and human level. We try, for a few moments, to put aside the technology which serves us well but to which we so often feel bound. Please turn off your cell phones at this time, or at least "set them on stun." Please also note that we want to come together to dwell in the moment, not to step outside of it. Please refrain from taking photographs during the service.

We come together in spirit and song, repeating now words
written by the Psalmists so many centuries ago:

"Hinei Mah Tov U'mah Na'im Shevet Achim Gam Yachad.

How good and how pleasant it is... when, brothers and sisters,
we sit...we dwell, we come together in peace."



Introductions and Greetings

A Celebration of Unity:

We Gather Together

1. We gath - er to - geth - er to ask for God's bless - ing,
 2. Be - side us to guide us, O God, we per - ceive you
 3. May all sing your prais - es, Re - deem - er tri - um - phant,

to turn to a wis - dom sur - pass - ing our own;
 or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing the pow - er of life.
 de - fend us, be - friend us, what - ev - er may be.

the pow'rs that op - press us now cease to dis - tress us.
 Yes, yours be the glo - ry; let all tell the sto - ry.
 May your con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion.

O God, be pres - ent with us, and make your will known.
 Our God, be ev - er with us, in glad - ness and strife.
 Your name be praised for - ev - er, O God, make us free!

Reflections On The Season

We come together once again,
an annual opportunity for affirmation, reflection and celebration.
It is a time to look around, and look inside. Where are we, as a community?
Are we touched by the storms still, survivors and newcomers alike?
We look to the future with hope for resilience and recovery still to come,
but part of us, perhaps, remains... scarred and scared and changed
from who we once were.

*And yet we approach this time of gratitude with awe and appreciation.
We give thanks for what we have seen.*

We were witness on these islands to strangers opening hearts and homes,
the “unity” in community, acts of kindness and support,
those with little left giving part of what they had to others in need.

*We give thanks for generosity of spirit.
And we give thanks for what we have done.*

Truly we saw heroes walk among us:
those who rushed to help or stood in sun and heat
offering food and water, comfort and hope.
And with need also came mission and purpose,
focus and dedication.

*We give thanks for human compassion.
Let not one tear of fear or sadness fall
before we ourselves reach out
to dry it from the face of someone suffering.*

And we give thanks for vision and perspective,
reminders all around us of what is lasting and what is not,
what is important and what is not.

*In crisis and challenge we learn a lesson
so easily forgotten in better times:
that there is, indeed, a difference
between what we need, and what we want.*

*We lift up our eyes towards the mountains.
What is the source of our help?
Our help comes from the Eternal,
maker of heaven and earth.*

For centuries these words from the book of Psalms
have served as a source of comfort:
Esa Aynai El HeHarim, me'ayin yavo Ezri.

*We look up, now, towards our own recovery,
more options and more openings with every new day.*

We return, at last, to a time
of pursuing our dreams
not just worrying about our basic needs.

*Let us, nevertheless, keep something with us
from what we went through.
May we remember something of that time,
who we were, and how we changed.
what we learned, and what we taught.*

We lift up our eyes towards the mountains.
What do we see, and what do we learn?



אֲשָׁא עֵינַי אֶל־הַהָרִים מֵאֵין יָבֵא עֲזָרִי :
עֲזָרִי מִעַם יְהוָה עֲשֵׂה שְׂמִים וְאָרֶץ :

*Esa Aynai El HeHarim, me'ayin yavo Ezri.
Ezri, Me'im Adonai, Oseh Shamayim Va'aretz*

Liturgy for Erev Shabbat/Friday Night

Kindling the Lights of Shabbat

Light These Lights Oh Hear My Prayer

Music & Text: Debbie Friedman, based upon womens' t'chinos

With Passion ♩ = 100

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, 4/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The tempo is marked 'With Passion' and the tempo indicator is ♩ = 100. The score consists of several systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The score includes various musical notations such as chords (e.g., D, G(add9)/D, F#m, Em7, A, G, F#7, Bm, A(sus4), A7, D, D/C#, E7, A(sus4), A7, D, G, A7, D, G(add9)/D), dynamics (e.g., 'Tacet first time', 'rit. last time'), and performance instructions (e.g., '1. G(add9)/D', '2.', 'D.S. al Fine'). The lyrics are: 'Oh hear my prayer I sing to You. Be gra - cious', 'Oh hear my prayer', 'to the ones I love and bless them with good - ness and', 'mer - cy and peace. Oh hear my prayer to You. Oh', 'Let us light these lights and see the way to You, and', 'let us say: A - men. Let us light these lights and', 'see the way to You, and let us say: A - men. Oh'.

Oh hear my prayer I sing to You. Be gra - cious

Oh hear my prayer

to the ones I love and bless them with good - ness and

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Let us light these lights and see the way to You, and

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הדלקת הנרות

Lighting the Shabbat Candles



We begin our service by kindling light.
You are blessed, God of-all and of-us,
Eternal Spirit of the Universe, who has
charged us with responsibilities,
commanding us to ignite a light,
to shine with love in our lives.

The candles are lit and the blessing is sung.

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

*Baruch ata Adonai Eloheinu Melech haOlam
asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu
l'hadlik ner shel Shabbat.*

*May these candles remind us that we must help and not hurt,
cause joy and not sorrow, create and not destroy,
seek wisdom and truth, and help all to be free.*

We praise God for the gift of life and this happy time:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם
שֶׁהַחַיִּינוּ וְקִיָּמָנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לַזְמַן הַזֶּה

*Baruch ata Adonai Eloheinu Melech HaOlam
Shehechyanu v'kiy'manu v'higiyanu lazman hazeh.*

*May these candles cast their light into a world filled with Darkness.
May they dispel fear and loneliness, ignorance and hatred, hunger, need and strife.
May these lights remind us of the abundant blessings for which we give thanks.
And may they move us to share our blessings, that none may be deprived.*

L'cha Dodi – Come My Beloved

We Welcome the Sacred and Intimate
Presence of the Divine

Argentinian L'cha Dodi

Arranged by Stephen Lawrence

Em Am D

La la la la la l'-chah do - di la la la la la lik-rat ka - lah

9 Em D C D C D G Fine

la la la la la p'-nei Sha-bat p' - nei Sha - bat n' - ka b' - lah

18 C Em Am D G

Sha - mor v' - za - chor b' - di - bur e - chad
Li - krat Sha - bat l'-chu v'neil - cha
Hi - to - r' - ri Hi - to - r' - ri
Bo - i v' - sha lom a - te - ret ba' - lah

26 Em C Am D

hish - mi - a - nu el ha - m' - yu - chad
Ki hi m' - kor ha - b' - ra - chah
ki va o - reich ku - mi o - ri
gam b' - sim - chah uv' - tzo - ho - lah

35 Em Am D G

A - do - nai e - chad u - sh' - mo e - chad
Mei - rosh mi - ke - dem n' - su - chah
U - ri u - ri shir - da - bei - ri
Toch e - mu - nei am s' - gu - lah

43 Em C Am D B7

l' - shem ul' - tif - e ret v' - lit' - hi - lah Lah lah lah
Sof ma - a - seh b' - ma - cha - sha - va t' - chi - lah Lah lah lah
K' - vod A - do - nai a - la - yich ni - glah
Bo - i cha - lah bo - i - cha - lah Lah lah lah



A Celebration of Creation

From Psalm 92: a celebration of creation.

*“Mizmor Shir L’Yom HaShabbat;
A song for the Sabbath day”*

“How great, how wondrous is Your work, O God!
How deep, how profound is Your design...”

מַה־גָּדֹלֹּ מַעֲשֵׂיךָ, יְיָ,
מֵאֵד עֲמֻקּוֹ מַחְשְׁבֹתֶיךָ.

*“Ma Gad’lu ma’asecha Yah,
me’od am’ku machshevotcha....
Halleluyah.*

Call to Worship

Please rise.

בָּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְּבָרָךְ!
בְּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְּבָרָךְ
לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד!

Barekhu et Adonai ham'vo-rakh.
Barukh Adonai ham-vo-rakh l'olam va'ed.

Praise Adonai to whom our praise is due!
Praise Adonai to whom our praise is due, now and forever!



We praise You, Ever-Present God, who crafts order out of chaos. You wove us as part of a wondrous universe, made us a thread in the web of the world. You fill our sight with suns and stars; through dark clouds and clear skies, wind and water alike we behold the beauty and the power of all You have made.

And You share with us a measure of Your spirit, which dwells within as an inner light. The flame within is a reflection of Your Eternal presence; it is a mirror to the galaxies and nebulae, the dust from which we came and which even now links us in a cosmic chain with all of time, worlds beyond our own. May the turn of the day and the promise of new dawn guide and guard for us that sense of awe and appreciation, for the vastness of creation, for the renewal and connection we experience every day.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, הַמַּעְרִיב עֲרָבִים.
Baruch Atta Adonai, ha-ma-ariv 'aravim.

*Blessed are You, Eternal One, for the cycles of creation,
giving us day by day new ways to discover You, and
another chance to choose our sacred work in the world.*

ETERNAL LOVE

We give thanks for the priests and prophets, the psalmists and sages of every nation, who take Your teachings and help make them part of our lives as we strive to make this world a better place. We sense Your love on different journeys, through different faiths and traditions, and in ways which change over time as we grow and come to know You anew.

And yet some things stay true through all of time: that love of You should lead us to love each other, that a sense of God means we must act in godly ways, that as You give to us, so must we give to and support one another.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי, אוֹהֵב עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל.

Baruch Atta Adonai, oheiv amo Yisrael.

Praised are You, Eternal, for Your love of Israel and all peoples.



שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָה אֶחָד

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָה אֶחָד!

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מְלָכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

Shema Yisrael Adonai Elohenu Adonai Ehad!

Barukh Shem k'vod Malkhuto l'olam va'ed!

*Hear, O Israel, Adonai is our God, Adonai is One!
Blessed is God's glorious majesty forever and ever!*

Please be seated.

Sh'ma/V'ahavta

190C

Music: Debbie Friedman
Text: Deut. 6:4-9; Numbers 15:37-41

Gently (♩ = 74)

A capo 3:* A C C#m Em F#m Am

Sh' - ma Yis - ra - eil: A - do - nai

G Bb Esus(Bm) E G Gsus(Dm)

El - lo - hei - nu, A - do - nai, A - do - nai E -

A C C#m Em

chad! Ba - ruch sheim k' - vod, sheim k' -

F#m Am G Bb Esus(Bm) Gsus(Dm)

vod mal - chu to l' - o - lam,

E G A C Em(7) Gm(7) A C

l' - o - lam va - ed.

B A C

Please be seated.

1. And thou shalt love A - do - nai thy
(2.) teach them dil - i -
(3.) bind them for a

Em(7) Gm(7)

God with all thy heart, with all thy
gent - ly un - to thy chil - dren and thou shall
sign up - on thy hand and they shall

*Indicated in Chordster as capo 2 (Key of B)

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soul of them and with all of thy might.
 speak of them when thou sit - test in thy house,
 be for front - lets be - tween thine eyes.

— And all these words which I com - mand you on this
 — when thou walk - est by the way *** and when thou
 — And thou shalt write them on the door - posts of thy

day shall be in thy heart,
 ris - est up and when thou li - est down,
 house and up - on thy gates,

— shall be in thy heart. 2. And thou shalt
 — and when thou li - est down. 3. And thou shalt
 — and up - on thy gates.

3. — That ye may re - mem - ber and do all of My com - mand - ments

— and be ho - ly un - to your God,

— un - to your God, un - to your God.

*** This line often sung: "... liest down and when thou risest up, and when thou risest up."

Hebrew and translation of Sh'ma on page 305



Standing on the parted shores of history
we still believe what we were taught
before ever we stood at Sinai's foot:

*That wherever we go, it is eternally Egypt, that there is a
better place, a promised land; that the winding way to that
promise passes through the wilderness,
that there is no way to get from here to there
except by joining hands, marching, together.*

based on Michael Walzer, *Exodus and Revolution*

Miriam's Song



Chorus:

And the women, dancing with their timbrels
followed Miriam as she sang her song.
Sing a song to the One whom we've exalted.
Miriam and the women danced, and danced the whole night long.

And Miriam was a weaver of unique variety.
The tapestry she wove was one which sang our history.
With every strand and every thread she crafted her delight,
a woman touched with spirit, she dances toward the light.

Chorus

Miriam stood upon the shores and gazed across the sea.
The wonder of this miracle she soon came to believe.
Whoever thought the sea would part with an outstretched hand,
and we would pass to freedom and march to the promised land.

Chorus

Miriam the prophet took her timbrel in her hand
and all the women followed her, just as she had planned.
And Miriam raised her voice in song, sang with praise and might:
We've just lived through a miracle; we're going to dance tonight.

Chorus

MI CHAMOCHAH ba-eilim, Adonai!

Mi kamochah nedar bakodesh,
nora t'hilot, oseih fele!

Malchut'cha ra-u vanecha,
bokei-a yam lifnei Moshe uMiryam.
Zeh Eli, anu v'amru,
Adonai yimloch Polam va-ed!

V'ne-emar: ki fadah Adonai et Yaakov,
ug'alo miyad chazak mimenu.
Baruch atah, Adonai, gaal Yisrael.

מִי־כְמוֹכָה בָּאֵלִים, יְיָ!
מִי כְמוֹכָה נֹאדָר בִּקְדֻשָּׁה,
נוֹרָא תְהִלָּת, עֹשֶׂה פִלֵּא!

מַלְכוּתְךָ רָאוּ בְנֵינוּ,
בּוֹקֵעַ יָם לִפְנֵי מֹשֶׁה וּמִרְיָם.
זֶה אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְאָמְרוּ,
יְיָ יִמְלֹךְ לְעֹלָם וָעֶד!

וְנֹאמַר: כִּי פָדָה יְיָ אֶת־יַעֲקֹב,
וַיִּגְאֹל מִיַּד חֲזָק מִמֶּנּוּ.
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, גֹאֵל יִשְׂרָאֵל.

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

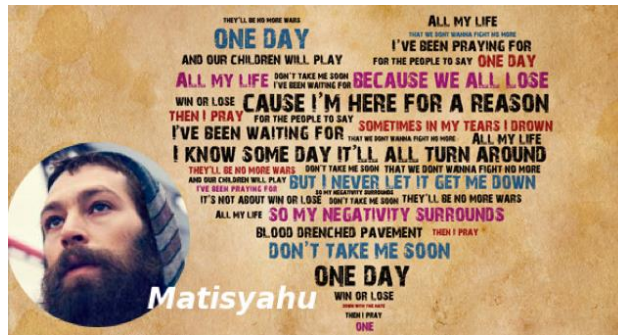
Your children witnessed Your sovereignty,
the sea splitting before Moses and Miriam.
"This is our God!" they cried.
"Adonai will reign forever and ever!"

Thus it is said,
"Adonai redeemed Jacob,
from a hand stronger
than his own."
Praised are You, Adonai, for redeeming Israel.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, גֹאֵל יִשְׂרָאֵל.
Baruch atah, Adonai, gaal Yisrael.

Hashkiveinu/One Day

Craig Taubman/Matisyahu



Hashkiveinu Adonai Eloheinu L'shalom,
V'ha'amideinu Shom'reinu L'chayim (2x or 4x)
U'sh'mor Tzeiteinu... U'vo'einu, L'Chayim U'l'Shalom,
Mei'ata V'Ad Olam...

Sometimes I lay under the moon
And thank God I'm breathing
Then I pray don't take me soon
'Cause I am here for a reason
Sometimes in my tears I drown (I drown)
But I never let it get me down (me down)
So when negativity surrounds (surrounds)
I know some day it'll all turn around because...

All my life I've been waiting for
I've been praying for
For the people to say
That we don't wanna fight no more
There'll be no more wars
And our children will play
One day [6x]...
Hashkiveinu....



ברוך אתה, יי, הפורש ספת שלום עלינו
ועל כל עמו ישראל ועל ירושלים.

Baruch atah, Adonai, haporeis sukat shalom aleinu
v'al kol amo Yisrael v'al Yerushalayim.

Last week, last month, last year...
We have seen the peace that people seek
in places of prayer, in supposed Sanctuaries
Shattered too often by acts of hate
And the spilling of blood.

*Coming together, against violence and strife,
this week we say, we come together to pray,
and to find our way back.*

Shabbat is supposed to be about
a sweet taste of the way the world can be.

*But our Sabbath must also be a promise,
that when we leave this place and walk into the world
we will have what it takes, we will do what it takes
to make that peace possible again.*

Shamor. V'sham'ru.
To keep, to guard, to observe.
It will take it all, to make our Shabbat,
and the holy times of all people, everywhere,
sweet, and sacred, and safe.

V'SHAMRU V'NEI YISRAEL

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

וְשָׁמְרוּ בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל
אֶת־הַשַּׁבָּת,
לַעֲשׂוֹת אֶת־הַשַּׁבָּת לְדֹרֹתָם
בְּרִית עוֹלָם.
בֵּינִי וּבֵין בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל
אוֹת הִיא לְעָלָם,
כִּי־שֵׁשֶׁת יָמִים עָשָׂה יי
אֶת־הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֶת־הָאָרֶץ,
וּבַיּוֹם הַשְּׁבִיעִי שָׁבַת וַיִּנָּפֶשׁ.

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



תפילה

Create a pure heart within me;
let my soul wake up in Your light.
Open me to Your presence;
flood me with Your holy spirit.
Then I will stand and sing out
the power of Your forgiveness.
I will teach Your love to the lonely;
the lost will find their way home.
Adonai, open up my lips
and my mouth will declare Your praise.

O God, it is not easy to pray.
And yet I pray that these few moments
Will somehow bring me closer to You.

Please Rise

Avot v'Emahot

Our Patriarchs and Matriarchs

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְאֱלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵנוּ
אֱלֹהֵי אַבְרָהָם, אֱלֹהֵי יִצְחָק, וְאֱלֹהֵי יַעֲקֹב,
אֱלֹהֵי שָׂרָה, אֱלֹהֵי רִבְקָה, אֱלֹהֵי לֵאָה וְאֱלֹהֵי רָחֵל,
הָאֵל הַגָּדוֹל הַגִּבּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא, אֵל עֲלִיוֹן,
גּוֹמֵל חֲסָדִים טוֹבִים, וְקוֹנֵה הַכֹּל,
וְזוֹכֵר חֲסִדֵי אֲבוֹת וְאִמּוֹת,
וּמְבִיא גְאֻלָּה לְבָנֵי בְנֵיהֶם לְמַעַן שְׁמוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה:
מְלֶכֶךְ עוֹזֵר וּמוֹשִׁיעַ וּמַגִּן:
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, מֶגֶן אַבְרָהָם וְעֶזְרַת שָׂרָה

Barukh ata Adonai, Eloheinu veilohei avoteinu v'imoteinu
Elohei Avraham, Elohei Yitzchak, Veilohei Ya'akov,
Elohei Sarah, Elohei Rivkah, Elohei Leah, Veilohei Racheil,
Ha'eil hagadol hagibor v'hanora, Eil Elyon
Gomeil chasadim tovim, v'konei hakol,
V'zocheir chasdei avot v'imahot,
U'meivi g'ulah livnai v'neihem, l'ma'an shmo b'ahavah.
Melech ozeir u'moshia u'magein:
Barukh ata Adonai, Magein Avraham v'Ezrat Sarah.



Blessed are You, Adonai our God, God of our fathers and mothers, God of Abraham, God of Isaac, and God of Jacob. God of Sarah, God of Rebecca, God of Rachel and God of Leah, the great, mighty and awesome God, transcendent God who bestows loving kindness, creates everything out of love, remembers the love of our fathers and mothers, and brings redemption to their children's children for the sake of the Divine Name. Sovereign, Deliverer, Helper and Shield. Blessed are You, Adonai, Abraham's Shield, Helper of Sarah.

אַתָּה גִּבּוֹר לְעוֹלָם אֲדֹנָי,
מְחִיָּה הַכֹּל אֶתָּה, רַב לְהוֹשִׁיעַ:
מְשִׁיב הָרוּחַ וּמוֹרִיד הַגֶּשֶׁם.
מְכַלְכֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד, מְחִיָּה הַכֹּל בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים,
סוֹמֵךְ נוֹפְלִים, וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים, וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים,
וּמְקַיֵּם אֱמוּנָתוֹ לִישְׁנֵי עֶפֶר,
מִי כְמוֹךָ בַּעַל גְּבוּרֹת וּמִי דוֹמָה לָךְ,
מְלַךְ מִמִּית וּמְחִיָּה וּמַצְמִיחַ יְשׁוּעָה:
וְנֶאֱמָן אֶתָּה לְהַחְיֹת הַכֹּל.
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, מְחִיָּה הַכֹּל.

Atta Gibor l'olam Adonai
M'cheyei hakol ata rav l'hoshiya:
WINTER: Mashiv haruach, u'morid hagashem
M'chalkeil chayim b'chesed, m'chayei hakol b'rachamim rabim
Someich noflim v'rofei cholim, u'matir asurim,
u'm'kayeim emunato lisheinei afar.
Mi khamokha ba'al g'vurot, u'mi domeh lach,
melech meimit u'm'chayei u'matzmiach y'shuah.
V'ne'eman ata l'hachayot hakol.
Barukh ata Adonai, M'chayei hakol.



You are forever Mighty, Adonai; You give life to all.
WINTER: You cause the wind to shift and rain to fall.
You sustain the living through love, giving life to all through great compassion,
supporting the falling, healing the sick, freeing the captive,
keeping faith with those who sleep in the dust.
Who is like You, Source of mighty acts?
Who resembles You, a Sovereign who takes and gives life,
causing deliverance to spring up and faithfully giving life to all.
Blessed are You, Adonai, who gives life to all.

K'dushah Sanctification

אַתָּה קָדוֹשׁ וְשִׁמְךָ קָדוֹשׁ,
וּקְדוּשָׁיִם בְּכָל יוֹם יְהִלְלוּךָ סֵלָה.
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, הָאֵל הַקָּדוֹשׁ

Atta kadosh v'shim'cha kadosh
u'k'doshim b'chol yom y'hal'lucha selah.
Baruch atta Adonai, haEil HaKadosh.

You are holy, Your name is holy,
and those who are holy praise Your name every day.
Blessed are You, Adonai, the holy God.

Intermediate Prayers:

Litany of Praise and Thanksgiving:

For the days since we last met and shared our common bond of humanity,
We thank you, God.

For the heavens which declare your glory,
and for the earth which shows your handiwork,
We thank you, God.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,
We thank you, God.

For the concern of those who call us to be good stewards of the earth,
We thank you, God.

For minds to think, hearts to love, and hands to serve,
We thank you, God.

For the brave and courageous, and all valiant seekers of truth, liberty and justice,
We thank you, God.

For this evening and your spirit which binds us together in a moment of worship,
We thank you, God.

For your blessing, which lifts us from brokenness to wholeness,
from despair to hope, from darkness to light, and from fear to trust,
We thank you, God. Amen and Amen.

Let There Be Peace on Earth

A prayer for Peace

The Psalmist states "Seek peace and pursue it." Psalm 34:15

Two verbs, to mean two things. As the rabbis observe,
"seek" peace means to make peace in our own place,
and "pursue" it implies our obligation
to work for peace in every other place.

Let us join together as one community, seeking peace within ourselves,
and pursuing it in this community and in the world.

We take a few moments for personal prayer.

GOD'S WORLD

677 Let There Be Peace on Earth

The musical score is written for a piano and voice. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. Chord symbols are placed above the notes.

Chord symbols: C, Am, Dm7, G7, C, F, C, Dm, G7, C, B7, Em, B7, G, G7, Am, Em, C7, F, G7, C.

Lyrics:
Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me;
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
*With God our cre - a - tor, chil - dren all are we.

Am7 D7 G Am7 D7 G7

Let us walk with each oth-er in per-fect har-mo-ny.

C Am Dm7 G7 C F C Dm G7

Let peace be-gin with me; let this be the mo-ment now.

C B7 Em B7 G

With ev-ery step I take, let this be my sol-emn vow:

C C+ F D7 D°7

to take each mo-ment and live each mo-ment in peace e-ter-nal-ly.

C E7 F C F G7 C

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be-gin with me.

Mishebeirach:

Prayer for Those In Need of Healing

Mi Shebeirach

226A

Music: Debbie Friedman

Text: Debbie Friedman & Drorah Setel, based on Liturgy

Slowly, with expression (♩ = 60)

capo 2: V1

G A Em F#m Bm⁽⁷⁾ C#m⁽⁷⁾ C D E G A Em F#m

Mi she - bei - rach a - vo - tei - nu, m' - kor hab' - ra - chah l' -

Bm⁽⁷⁾ C#m⁽⁷⁾ C D E Em F#m Bm⁽⁷⁾ C#m⁽⁷⁾ C D E G A

i - mo - tei - nu. May the source of strength who blessed the ones be - fore us

Am Bm Bm C#m Am Bm Em(Bm) F#m C#m Am Bm D E (D⁷) (E⁷)

help us find the cour - age to make our lives a bless - ing, and let us say: A

G A V2 G A Em F#m Bm⁽⁷⁾ C#m⁽⁷⁾ C D E G A Em F#m

men. Mi she - bei - rach i - mo - tei - nu, m' - kor hab' - ra - chah

Bm⁽⁷⁾ C#m⁽⁷⁾ C D E Em F#m Bm⁽⁷⁾ C#m⁽⁷⁾ C D G A

la'a - vo - tei - nu. Bless those in need of heal - ing with r' - fu - ah sh' - lei - mah, the re -

Am⁽⁷⁾ Bm⁽⁷⁾ Bm C#m Am⁽⁷⁾ Bm⁽⁷⁾ Em⁷(Bm) F#m⁷ C#m Am⁽⁷⁾ Bm⁽⁷⁾ D E (D⁷) (E⁷) G A

new - al of bod - y, the re - new - al of spi - rit, and let us say: A men.

מי שברך אבותינו
מקור הברכה לאבותינו

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Scriptural Reading: Genesis 23

Sermon: "Sarah Lived!"

Pastor Jeffrey Neevel

Anthem

Sharing



I must be getting old, Sarah.
I can't remember what this
week's parsha is...

Story of my life...





A Prayer of Thanks

We are each responsible for keeping America on course.

"Are we there yet?" the children ask.

We know the answer.

We pursue justice.

But we still have a way to go.

We celebrate freedom.

But endlessly debate what it means to be free.

Our table is brimming.

But not everyone receives a fair portion.

We are the stewards of America,

Her ideals and institutions, her cities and natural beauty.

We are entrusted to understand America's past and guide her future.

To create an ever more just America that is secure and free,

Abundant and caring for all her inhabitants.

We are thankful for the freedom to worship.

We are thankful for the freedom to speak our minds.

We are thankful for the freedom

To change our minds.

We are thankful for the freedom

To chart our lives.

We are thankful for the freedom

To work for a better world.

We are thankful for the freedom

To celebrate this day.

In America, each of us is entitled to a place at the table.

Let All Things Now Living

Descant

2. Ah, _____ O

Unison

1. Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
 2. By law God en - forc - es. The stars in their cours - es, the

sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine. Ah, _____

God our Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise; who fash - ioned and
 sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine; the hills and the

the depths of the o - cean pro -

made us, pro - tect - ed and stay - ed us, by guid - ing us on to the
 moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the depths of the o - cean pro -

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 MUSIC: Welsh folk melody; desc. Katherine K. Davis, 1939

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THANKSGIVING

claim God di - vine. Re - joice, re -

end of our days. God's ban - ners are o'er us, pure light goes be -
claim God di - vine. We, too, should be voic - ing our love and re -

joice! With glad ad - o - ra - tion, a song let us raise.
fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night: till
joic - ing with glad ad - o - ra - tion, a song let us raise: till

Ah, to
shad - ows have van - ished, all fear - ful - ness ban - ished, as
all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing, to
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise.
for - ward we trav - el from light in - to Light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise.

A Memory of Those Who Were:

Mourner's Kaddish

There are stars
whose radiance is visible on this earth
though they have long been extinct.

There are people
whose light and whose warmth continue to shine
though they are no longer among us.

These lights which shine in the dark of the night --
they light the way for humankind.

Hanna Senesh

When I die
Give what's left of me away
To children
And old men
That wait to die.
And if you need to cry,
Cry for your brother,
Walking the street beside you.
And when you need me
Put your arms around anyone
And give to them
What you need
To give to me.

I want to leave you something,
Something better
Than words
Or sounds.

Look for me
In the people I've known
Or loved.
And if you cannot give me away,
At least let me live on in your eyes
And not in your mind.

You can love me most
By letting hands touch hands,
By letting bodies touch bodies,
And by letting go
Of children
That need to be free.

Love doesn't die.
People do.
So when all that's left of me
Is love
Give me away.

Merritt Malloy

Mourner's Kaddish

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא.
בְּעָלְמָא דִּי בְּרָא כְרַעוּתֵהּ, וְיִמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתֵהּ
בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל,
בְּעָגְלָא וּבְזִמְן קָרִיב, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.
יְהִי שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ לְעַלְמֵי עֲלָמֵיָא.
יְתַבְרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל
שְׁמֵהּ דְּקֻדְשָׁא בְּרִיךְ הוּא, לְעָלְמָא מִן כָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא
תְּשַׁבְּחָתָא וְנַחֲמָתָא, דְּאָמְרִין בְּעָלְמָא, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.
יְהִי שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שְׁמַיָּא, וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.
עֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרוֹמָיו, הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם
עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.

Yitgadal v'yitkadash sh'mei raba.
B'alma di-vara chirutei v'yamlich malchutei
B'chayeichon u'v'yomeichon u'v'chayei d'chol beit Yisrael,
Ba'a'galah u'vizman kariv. V'imru: Amen.
Y'hei sh'mei raba m'varach l'alam ul'almei almaya.
Yitbarach, viyishtabach, v'yit'pa'ar, v'yitromam v'yit'nasei,
V'yit'hadar, v'yit'aleh,, v'yit'halal, sh'mei d'kud'sha, B'rikh Hu.
L'eilah min kol birchata v'shirata,
Tush'bechata, 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 ya'aseh shalom
Aleinu v'al kol Yisrael. V'im'ru: Amen

Let the glory of God be extolled, let God's great name be hallowed, in the world whose creation God willed. May God's rule soon prevail, in our own day, our own lives, and the life of all Israel, and let us say Amen.

Let God's great name be blessed forever and ever.

Let the name of the Blessed Holy One be glorified, exalted and honored, though God is above all the praises, songs and adorations that we can utter, and let us say 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 upon us, on all Israel, and all the world,
and let us say Amen.

Closing Blessing

May God bless you and safeguard you,
may God shine in you and through you
may God turn the Divine gaze upon you, and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

Lyrics by Sam Glaser:

May God watch over your soul
May God guide every step along your way
May you hold deep in your heart
The love that God's giving you everyday

May the light of heaven above
Reflect in your eyes
So you see all the wonder in the world

*Y'varechecha Hashem v'yishm'recha
Ya'eyr Hashem panav eylecha v'chuneka
Yisa Hashem panav eylecha
V'yaseym l'cha shalom*

May you live all the days of your life
Secure in the arms of the One above
May He look upon you with favor
Granting you whatever you're dreaming of

May mountains offer a path
When you stroll along
Fill the valleys so you can cross with ease

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V'yaseym l'cha shalom*

Shalom, shalom, shalom

This service came together from many different sources.
We appreciate this inspiration as well as those
many people who participated in the
musical and liturgical presentation of our celebration.





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