Shabbat Chanukah



Temple Beth Sholom Santa Ana, CA



Tonight, we celebrate Shabbat and Chanukah together. We come from different traditions and places. Some of us are Ashkenazic (European) and some are Sephardic (Spanish/Middle Eastern). Some of us were born into Judaism and some claimed it as our faith. And some of us are connected to Judaism by our family. We all have our own ways to celebrate. However you celebrate it, we hope you find meaningful ways to enjoy the holiday with loved ones! Whether you borrow traditions from other countries, or create new traditions for your family, use this holiday season to reflect on the many miracles in all our lives. During this service we will share some different traditions. Enjoy!

Baruch Ata Adonai
Eloheinu Melech HaOlam
Asher Kidshanu B'mitzvotav
Viztivanu
UHadlik Ner Shel Chanukah

בּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִי אֱלֹהֵינוּ
Baruch Ata Adonai
Eloheinu Melech HaOlam
She Asa Nisim L'Avoteinu
Baymim HaHem
Bazman HaZeh

הַהָם בַּזְּמַן הַזָּה.

Did you know that in Alsace/France, Double-decker Chanukah menorahs were common with space for 16 lights. The two levels, each with spots for 8 lights, allowed fathers and sons (mothers and daughters) to join together as they each lit their own lights in one single menorah.



Candle Blessings

BLESSINGS FOR SHABBAT

The candles are lit before the blessing is recited.

BARUCH atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner shel Shabbat.

בְרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהַינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְשֵׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיוּ, וְצָנֵנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֵׁל שִׁבַּת.

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



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Reading 1: Chanukah began as a civil war between two groups of Jews, those attracted to the Greek way of life and those faithful to the ancient traditions of Israel, led by Judah Maccabee and his brothers. The traditionalists, in a surprising victory, triumphed over their Jewish assimilationists and the Syrian Greeks. They went on to rededicate the Temple. Judah Maccabee and his brothers had an eight-day victory celebration, probably a delayed celebration of the biblical festival of Sukkot. They had been unable to observe the eight days of Sukkot while the battles were taking place. According to the Torah, on Sukkot the number of offerings in the Temple is diminished day by day; similarly, the sage Shammai taught that the candles should be diminished day by day. Chanukah became a celebration of a military victory, with the Maccabees coming into power. They became both the high priests and the political leaders.

"I am a latke". How many of you can't wait for the tasty latke treats that fill our tummies during Chanukah? It turns out we have Eastern European Jews to thank for that yummy treat! With an abundance of potatoes available in this region, Jews from Eastern Europe celebrated the holiday by eating oil-fried potato latkes. Lucky for us that Jewish immigrants, many of them our families, brought this custom over to North America!



שָׁלוֹם עַלֶיכֶם, מַלָּאַכֵי הַשַּׁרֵת, Shalom aleichem, malachei hashareit, malachei Elyon, מְמֵלֵךְ מַלְכֵי הַמִּלַכִים, miMelech mal'chei hamlachim, ַהַקַדושׁ בַּרוּדְ הוּא. HaKadosh Baruch Hu. בּוֹאֵכֶם לִשַּׁלוֹם, מַלָּאֵכֵי הַשַּׁלוֹם, Bo-achem l'shalom, malachei hashalom, malachei Elyon, מָמֶלֶדְ מַלְכֵי הַמִּלְכִים, miMelech mal'chei hamlachim, הַקַדושׁ בַּרוּדְ הוּא. HaKadosh Baruch Hu. בַּרְכִוּנִי לִשַׁלוֹם, מַלָּאֲכֵי הַשַּׁלוֹם, Bar'chuni l'shalom, malachei hashalom, malachei Elyon, miMelech mal'chei hamlachim, הַקַּדוֹשׁ בַּרוּדְ הוּא. HaKadosh Baruch Hu. צאתכם לשלום, מלאכי השלום, Tzeit'chem l'shalom, malachei hashalom, malachei Elyon, miMelech mal'chei hamlachim, 627 הַקַדושׁ בַּרוּדְ הוּא. HaKadosh Baruch Hu.

Reading 2: Nature often touches our hearts without our realization. A Masada sunrise, a blossoming flower, a refreshing summer breeze, a long-awaited drizzle. The world around us can be a soothing refuge from tension and stress of daily life. In your goodness, You have made us able to hear the music of our world. The raging winds, the whispering of the trees in the woods, and the precious voices of loved ones reveal to us that You are in our midst.

According to the story of Hanukah, the Temple of Jerusalem was destroyed by the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes and Jews were forbidden from worship. At last, the valiant Jews won the temple back, though upon entrance realized they only had enough oil to last for one day. Miraculously, that oil lasted a full eight days, allowing the Jews enough time to prepare more oil for use. To honor this miracle, Jews from India often opt to use wicks dipped in coconut oil rather than candles to light their menorahs, similar to their traditions for Diwali. Many of these Jews also substitute latkes, sufganiyot, and chocolate gelt for more native treats like burfi, puranpoli, modak laddus and sweet rice, halwa and samosas.



Reading 3: Jewish tradition teaches that war is sometimes a necessary evil. But we do not celebrate military victories. Even when we are victorious, it is God's children who were defeated. Even our enemies were created in the image of God. We remove wine from one of our cups on Passover to diminish our joy for each plague suffered by the Egyptians. According to the Midrash, God stopped the angels from singing hymns of praise while the Egyptians were drowning in the sea. For the rabbis, Chanukah as a military victory was unacceptable. Chanukah became, instead, the story of a miracle, of God's presence in the rededicated temple. Hundreds of years after the original events, a new story developed, the story of enough oil for one day that burned for eight days. Chanukah became a celebration of God's miracle, not military might. And to drive the idea home, synagogues around the world chant a verse from Zachariah, "not by might and not by power but by my spirit says the Lord."

Italy is known for delicious food, Chanukah is no exception for Italian Jews. Precipizi, originated in Turin, and involves a lightly sweetened, olive oil infused, honey-covered treat. Yum!

BAR'CHU et Adonai ham'vorach! Baruch Adonai ham'vorach l'olam va-ed!

בָּרָכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹּרָדְּי בָּרוּדְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָדְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶדִי

PRAISE ADONAI to whom praise is due forever!

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

Barchu

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Reading 4: There is a Midrash regarding Adam. When the sun went down on the sixth night of creation, Adam started to fast and weep. "The world is darkening for me," he said. When the sun arose the next day, Adam gave offerings. "Such is the way of nature, and I did not even realize it." The idea is universal. On the darkest night of the year, people around the world kindle lights. When things look darkest, we humans need to light lights. Chanukah is the story of the light chasing away the darkness. The days will soon get longer and the nights shorter.

For the Jewish communities of Yemen and North African countries like Algeria, Libya, Tunisia and Morocco, the seventh day of Chanukah is all about celebrating the heroines of the story. These communities mark the 7th night of Chanukah as the beginning of Chag Ha'Banot, the Daughters Festival and celebrate the heroines of the story, Hannah and Judith, both of whom fought against oppression to maintain their Jewish culture and save the Jewish people from the Assyrians. The rich culinary traditions of the Moroccan Jewish community know not of potato latkes or jelly doughnuts. Rather they favor the citrusy flavors of the Sfenj doughnut, which was made with the juice, and zest of an orange. Notably, from the early days of nation building in Israel, the orange came to be associated with the holiday of Chanukah as the famed Jaffa oranges came into season in time for the holiday celebrations.

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל, יִיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, יִיָ אֶחָד.

Sh'ma Yisrael, Adonai Eloheinu, Adonai Echad.

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

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

Baruch shem k'vod malchuto l'olam va-ed.

Blessed is God's glorious majesty forever and ever.

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V'AHAVTA et Adonai Elohecha,
b'chol l'vav'cha uv'chol nafsh'cha uv'chol
m'odecha. V'hayu had'varim ha-eileh
asher anochi m'tzav'cha hayom al
l'vavecha. V'shinantam l'vanecha v'dibarta
bam b'shivr'cha b'veitecha uv'lecht'cha
vaderech uv'shochb'cha uv'kumecha.
Ukshartam l'ot al yadecha v'hayu
l'totafot bein einecha. Uch'tavtam
al m'zuzot beitecha uvisharecha.

L'maan tizk'ru, vaasitem et kol mitzvotai vih'yitem k'doshim l'Eloheichem. Ani Adonai Eloheichem asher hotzeiti et-chem mei-eretz Mitzrayim lih'yot lachem l'Elohim ani Adonai Eloheichem. \$\limber \tilde{\psi} \t

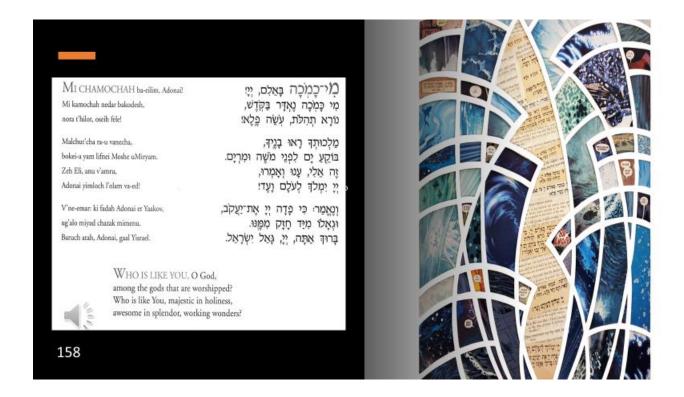
לְמַעַן תִּזְּכְּרוּ וֵעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת־ כָּל־מִּצְוֹתֵי וַהְיִיתֶם קְדשִׁים לֵאלְהַיכֶם: אֲנִי יְיֵ אֱלְהַיכֶּם אֲשֶּׁר הוֹצֵאתִי אֶתְכֶם מֵאֶרֵץ מִצְלַיִם לִהְיִוֹת לָכֶם לֵאלֹהִים אַנִּי יְיָ אֱלְהַיכֶם:

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Reading 5: The holiness of the candles derives from their being dedicated to recalling the divine miracle of rescue from the Greeks and the lighting of the Temple menorah at the original rededication of the Temple by the Maccabees. Unlike Shabbat candles, which are meant to light up the meal at the table and to create a peaceful, sociable atmosphere, Hanukkah candles are placed at the doorway or windowsill as symbols for passersby. Since this is their purpose, unlike other lamps in the house, their

light may not be used as room light. But they shine on brightly to guide our path towards holiness and peace.

Sufagniyot are one of the many delicious traditions we have Israel Jews to thank for. Sufganiyot are round jelly donuts, fried in oil similar to latkes, which symbolized the oil ancient Jews used to light their Temple.



Reading 6: For our ancestors, Shabbat was a sign of God's covenant of peace with the universe. They kept it faithfully: when their lives were torn, Shabbat made them whole; when their lives were bitter, it brought them sweetness, when their lives were peaceful, it deepened their joy. Our ways are not like theirs. We have many idle days but few Sabbaths; we speak many words, but few prayers; we make the world yield to our purpose, but are unsure of the ground beneath us. But here, now we can begin again. Or having already begun, we can continue our quest for the wholeness we need.

Jews in Istanbul often sing a unique song in honor of the eight candles lit on the menorah titled, "Ocho Candelas." Additionally, to continue the trend of oil-fried foods, these Jews often indulge in fritters known as "bumuelos."

T'filah

ADONAI, s'fatai tiftach, ufi yagid t'hilatecha.

אַדנָי, שְׂפָתֵי תִּפְתָּח, וּפִי יַגִּיד תְּהַלֶּתֵךְ.

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

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

*SHABBAT SHUVAH —
Zochreinu l'chayim,
Melech chafeitz bachayim,
v'chotveinu b'sefer hachayim,
l'maancha Elohim chayim.
Melech ozeir umoshia umagen.

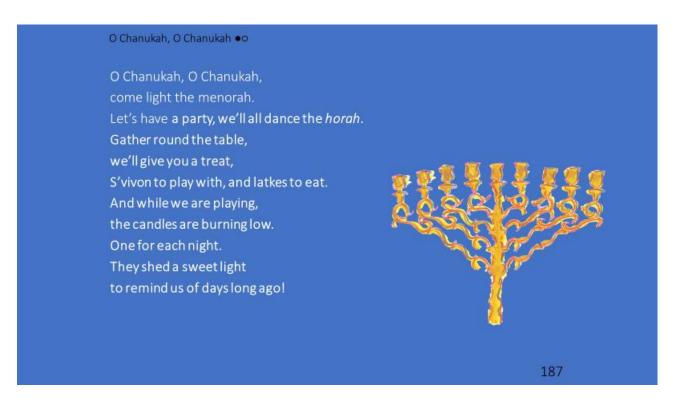
Baruch atah, Adonai, magein Avraham v'ezrat Sarah. בַּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ נֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ, אֱלֹהֵי אַבְּרָהָם, אֱלֹהֵי יִצְּחָק נֵאלֹהֵי יַעֲקֹב, אֱלֹהֵי שָׁרָה, אֱלֹהֵי רִבְּקָה, אֱלֹהֵי רָחֵל נֵאלֹהֵי לֵאָה. הָאֵל הַגְּדוֹל הַגָּבּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא, אֵל עֶלְיוֹן, גּוֹמֵל חַסְדִים טוֹבִים, וְקוֹנֵה הַכַּל, וְזוֹכֵר חַסְדִי אָבוֹת וְאִמָּהוֹת, וּמֵבִיא גְּאֻלָּה לִבְנֵי בְנֵיהֶם לְמַעֵן שְׁמוֹ בְּאָהָבָה.

> זְּכָרֵנוּ לְחָיִים, מֶלֶּדְ חָפֵּץ בַּחַיִּים, וְכָתְבֵנוּ בְּסֵפֶּר הַחַיִּים, לְמַעְנְּךְ אֱלֹהִים חַיִּים. מֶלֶדְ עוֹזֵר וּמוֹשְׁיעַ וּמָגֵן. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּרו, יְיָ, מָגֵן אַבְרָהָם וְעָזְרַת שָׂרָה.

SHABBAT SHUVAH*

In 1839, thousands of Jews fled Persia (Iran), where the Muslim authorities began forcibly converting them, and settled in Afghanistan. While some of them lived openly as Jews, others hid their Jewish identity. When Chanukah time came around, they would not light a special menorah, for fear it would attract the notice of Muslim neighbors. Instead, they would fill little plates with oil and set them near each other. If neighbors stopped by, they could simply make the menorah disappear by spreading the plates around the house.

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Reading 7: "Our sages taught: Bet Shammai says: On the first day one lights eight and from then on one continues to decrease, and Bet Hillel says: On the first day one lights one and from then on one continues to increase." We follow Rabbi Hillel and increase the light each night. By increasing the light, we drive away darkness.

God of Goodness, we give thanks for the gift of life, wonder beyond words;
For the awareness of soul, our light within;
For the world around us, so filled with beauty;
For the richness of the earth, which day by day sustains us;
For all these and more, we offer thanks

In Santa Marta, Columbian Jews began their own traditional dish as an alternative to eating fried potato latkes called Patacones, which involves plantain slices fried in oil.

Not by might and not by power,
But by spirit alone, (RUAH)
Shall we all live in peace.

The children sing (La la de dah)
The children dream
And their tears may fall
But we'll hear them call
And another song will rise
Another song will rise
Another song will rise!

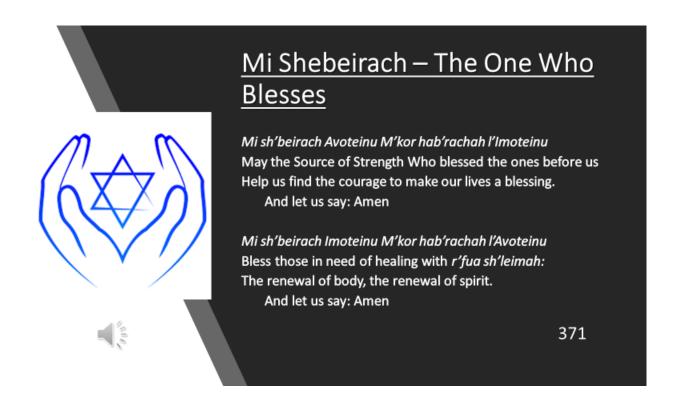
Reading 9: We kindle lights to commemorate the miracles and wonders the saving acts, and the wars (fought for us) which You have performed for our forefathers, in those days at this time. Through the hands of Your holy priests, And in all the eight days of Chanukah, these lights are sacred. We are also not permitted to make use of them, but only to look at them, in order to offer thanks and praise to Your great Name for Your miracles, for Your wonders and for Your salvations.

One almost universally practiced tradition involves displaying your menorah for people to see the lights burning. To beautifully accommodate this tradition, some neighborhoods even have spaces cut into the sides of buildings so Jews can proudly display their menorahs outside.

In 1993, Billings, MT was rocked by a year of racism and ethnic hatred. White supremacists moved in, spewing hate mail, death threats and vandalism against Native Americans, blacks and Jews. Anti-Jewish hate flyers appeared, and the Jewish cemetery was vandalized right before Rosh Hashanah. On Dec. 2 of that year, a brick was thrown through the bedroom window of a 5-year-old Jewish boy, Isaac Schnitzer, who was displaying a Chanukah menorah.

Horrified, the town responded. The Billings Gazette printed a full-page menorah, which thousands of citizens pasted in their own windows in a show of solidarity that was trumpeted by the world media as an example of how one small community stood up to hate. The story inspired books, articles, a Life magazine photo spread and the 1995 documentary "Not In Our Town" by California filmmakers

Patrice O'Neill and Rhian Miller. That prize-winning film – and a follow-up documentary a year later – galvanized community-based tolerance campaigns based on the Billings model in hundreds of U.S. cities.



STORY TIME

Darkness cannot drive out the darkness only light can drive that darkness away Hate cannot drive out the hatred Only love can bring the dawning of the day

> There's a time when peace will be upon us The time for which our prophets await But the time to embrace one another Is here and today

We can't turn our backs on the work that lies before us Though we may not live to see fulfillment day We can't wait for someone else to write the chorus Only we can say the words we're meant to say

Chorus

The blackest night is pierced by a single candle And silence is erased by just one voice So in this time of ignorance and anger Let us come together and rejoice

Chorus



Todd Herzog

Here and Today

Reading 10: "We thank You also for the miraculous deeds and for the redemption and for the mighty deeds and the saving acts wrought by You, as well as for the wars which You waged for our ancestors in ancient days at this season. In the days of the Hasmonean, Mattathias son of Johanan the high priest, and his sons, when the iniquitous Greco-Syrian kingdom rose up against Your people Israel, to make them forget Your Torah and to turn them away from the ordinances of Your will, then You in your abundant mercy rose up for them in the time of their trouble, pled their cause, executed judgment, avenged their wrong, and delivered the strong into the hands of the weak, the many into the hands of few, the impure into the hands of the pure, the wicked into the hands of the righteous, and insolent ones into the hands of those occupied with Your Torah. Both unto Yourself did you make a great and holy name in Thy world, and unto Your people did You achieve a great deliverance and redemption. Whereupon your children entered the sanctuary of Your house, cleansed Your temple, purified Your sanctuary, kindled lights in Your holy courts, and appointed these eight days of Hanukkah in order to give thanks and praises unto Your holy name."

עַל הַנּפִים Al Hanislm

Al hanisim, v'al hapurkan,
v'al hag'vurot, v'al hat'shu-ot,
v'al hamilchamot,
she-asita laavoteinu v'imoteinu,
bayamim haheim baz'man hazeh.

עַל הַנָּסִים, וְעַל הַפַּרְקָן, וְעַל הַנְּבוּרוֹת, וְעַל הַתְּשׁוּעוֹת, וְעַל הַמִּלְחָמוֹת, שֶׁעָשְׂיתָ לַאָבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ, בַּיָּמִים הַהֵם בַּזִּמֵן הַזֶּה.





We thank You for the miracles, for the redemption, for the mighty deeds and saving acts, brought about by You, and for the wars which You waged for our ancestors in the days of old, at this season.

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ALEINU l'shabei-ach laadon hakol, lateit g'dulah l'yotzeir b'reishit,

shehu sam chelkeinu

l'vacheid et sh'mo

v'goraleinu l'hamlich malchuto.

Vaanachnu kor'im

umishtachavim umodim,

lifnei Melech malchei ham'lachim

haKadosh Baruch Hu.

לְלֵלֵוּ לְשַׁבֵּחַ לַאֲדוֹן הַכּּל,
לֶתֵת גְּדֻלָּה לְיוֹצֵר בְּרֵאשִׁית,
שָׁהוּא שָׁם חֶלְקֵנוּ
לְיָחֵד אֶת שְׁמוֹ
וְגְרָלֵנוּ לְהַמְלִידְ מַלְכוּתוֹ.
וַאֲנַחְנוּ כּוֹרְעִים
וּמִשְׁתַּחָוִים וּמוֹדִים,
לִפְנֵי מֶלֶדְ מַלְכֵי הַמְּלָכִים
לַפְנֵי מֶלֶדְ מַלְכֵי הַמְּלָכִים
הַקְּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּדְ הוּא.

LET US NOW PRAISE the Sovereign of the universe, and proclaim the greatness of the Creator whose unity we are charged to declare; whose realm it is our purpose to uphold. Therefore we bow in awe and thanksgiving before the One who is Sovereign over all, the Holy and Blessed One.



YITGADAL v'yitkadash sh'mei raba. B'alma di v'ra chirutei, v'yamlich malchutei, b'chayeichon uv'yomeichon uv'chayei d'chol beit Yisrael, baagala uviz'man kariv. V'im'ru: Amen. Y'hei sh'mei raba m'varach l'alam ul'almei almaya. Yitbarach v'yishtabach v'yitpaar v'yitromam v'yitnasei, v'yit'hadar v'yitaleh v'yit'halal sh'mei d'Kud'sha B'rich Hu, l'eila min kol birchata v'shirata, tushb'chata v'nechemata, daamiran 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 bimromay, Hu yaaseh shalom aleinu,

v'al kol Yisrael, V'imru: Amen.

יתגדל ויתקדש שמה רבא. בְּעָלָמֶא דִּי בְרָא כְרְעוּתַה, וַיִּמְלִידְ מֵלְכוּתָהּ, בחייכון וביומיכון וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בַּית יִשְׁרָאֵל, בַּעֵגָלָא וּבִזְמֵן קָרִיב וְאִמְרוּ: אָמֵן. יָהַא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מִבְרַדְּ לְעַלַם וּלְעַלְמֵי עַלְמֵיָא. יִתְבָּרַךְּ וִיִשְׁתַבַּח, וְיִתְפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנָשֵׁא, וַיִתְהַדַּר וַיִּתְעַלָּה וַיִּתְהַלֵּל שְׁמֵהּ דְּקַדְשָׁא בְּרִידְ הוּא, לָעַלָּא מָן כָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא, תַּשְׁבַּחָתָא וְנֶחֲמֶתָא, דַּאָמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא. וְאִמְרוּיּ אָמֵן. יָהַא שׁלָמַא רָבָּא מון שְׁמִיָּא, וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאָמֶרוּ: אָמֵן. עשה שלום במרומיו, הוא יעשה שלום עלינו, וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּי אָמֵן.

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Closing Song: Light One Candle (Yarrow)

Light one candle for the Maccabee children. Give thanks that their light didn't die. Light one candle for the pain they endured when their right to exist was denied. Light one candle for the terrible sacrifice justice and freedom demand. Light one candle for the wisdom to know when the peacemakers' time is at hand.

Refrain:

Don't let the light go out! It's lasted for so many years. Don't let the light go out! Let it shine through our love and our tears.(2x)

Light one candle for the strength that we need to never become our own foe. Light one candle for those who are suffering the pain we learned so long ago.
Light one candle for all we believe in.

Let anger not tear us apart. Light one candle to bind us together with peace as the song in our heart.

Refrain

What is the memory that's valued so highly that we keep alive in that flame?
What's the commitment to those who have died when we cry out, "They've not died in vain?"
We have come this far always believing that justice will somehow prevail.
This is the burden and this is the promise and this is why we will not fail.

Refrain

Don't let the light go out! Don't let the light go out! Don't let the light go out!

Shabbat Shalom and Happy Chanukah!!