



simchat torah



TEMPLE ISRAEL

hinei mah tov - psalm 133

*Hinei mah tov u-mah naim
shevet achim gam yachad.*

הִנֵּה מַה טוֹב וּמַה נְעִים
שֵׁבֶת אַחִים גַּם יַחַד:

How nice it is for all of us to dwell together.

poem for torah on simchat torah By Rabbi Jill Hausman

Each time, each time, and each year
We read the ancient words
Burrowing into the empty spaces
Between those words, feeling the wonder there
Letting them sink into us as we become one with them,
Resting ever more deeply this year
In each line, each phrase, each word.

Sinking into them
And held mesmerized in their embrace
The profound, expansive meanings
Washing over us, in us, and through us
Giving us a new glimmer of understanding,
Speaking to us of our ancient selves
And the life of our present heart.

This year may more of their secrets be unlocked
This year may we fall into them and be caught there
Enveloped by their cosmic wisdom
Held more deeply than ever before.

candle lighting

*Baruch atah, Adonai
Eloheinu, Melech Haolam,
asher Kid'shanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu
l'hadlik ner shel Yom Tov.*

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל יוֹם טוֹב.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God,
Creator of the universe, who hallows us with mitzvot,
commanding us to kindle the light of Yom Tov.

kiddush

*Baruch atah, Adonai,
Eloheinu melech ha'olam,
boray pri hagafen.*

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ,
אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
בוֹרֵא פְּרִי הַגָּפֶן.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God,
Sovereign of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine.

shechyanu

*Baruch Ata Adonai, Eloheinu me-lech ha-olam,
she-he-chi-ya-nu, v'ki-ye-ma-nu,
v'hi-gi-a-nu laz-man ha-zeh.*

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
שֶׁהֵחַיָּנוּ וְקִיְּמָנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לְזֶמַן הַזֶּה.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Creator of time and
space, who has supported us, protected us,
and brought us to this moment of joy.

hinei tov m'od

Va-yar Elohim et kol asher asah v'hinei tov m'od x2
There was evening, there was morning
Vay'hi erev, vay'hi voker, tov m'od

וַיֵּרָא אֱלֹהִים אֶת-כָּל-אֲשֶׁר עָשָׂה וְהִנֵּה-טוֹב מְאֹד
וַיְהִי-עֶרֶב וַיְהִי-בֹקֶר טוֹב מְאֹד

God saw all that God created, and it was very good.
There was evening, there was morning, and it was very good.

ozi v'zimrat yah

Ozi v'Zimrat Yah Vay'hi li lishuah

עֲזִי וְזִמְרַת יְהוָה לִי לִישׁוּעָה

Adonai is my strength and might, and has been my deliverance.

sweet as honey

Sweet as honey on our tongue

Baruch Atah Adonai

Eloheinu Melech haolam

Asher k'dishanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu

Laasok b'divrei Torah

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם
אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְעֵסֵק בְּדִבְרֵי תוֹרָה

y'varechecha

Ye'va-reh-ch'cha Adonai ve'yish-m'recha.

Ya-eir Adonai pa-nav ei-leh-cha vi-chu-neka.

Yi-sa Adonai pa-nav ei-leh-cha, v'ya-seim l'cha sha-lom.

בְּרַכְךָ יְהוָה, וַיְשַׁמְרְךָ.

יְיָ אֵל יְהוָה פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ, וַיְחַנְךָ.

יְשֵׂא יְהוָה פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ, וַיְשִׂם לְךָ שְׁלוֹם.

May God bless you and keep you.

May God's light shine upon you and be gracious to you.

May God's spirit be with you throughout your life
and may God bless you with wholeness, fulfillment and peace.

kehila kedosha

If you are atem then we're n'tzavim

We stand here today and remember the dream

Kehila Kedosha

Each one of us must play a part, Each one of us must heed the call
Each one of us must seek the truth, Each one of us is a part of it all
Each one of us must remember the pain, Each one of us must find the joy
Each one of us, Each one of us

Kehila Kedosha

Each one of us must start to hear, Each one of us must sing the song
Each one of us must do the work, Each one of us must right the wrong
Each one of us must build the home, Each one of us must hold the hope
Each one of us, Each one of us

Kehila Kedosha

It's how we help, It's how we give, It's how we pray,
It's how we heal, It's how we live

deuteronomy 34:10-12

וְלֹא-קָם עוֹד בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל כַּמֹּשֶׁה אֲשֶׁר יָדְעוּ יְהוָה פָּנָיו
אֶל-פָּנָיו: לְכָל-הָאֵתוֹת וְהַמוֹפְתִים אֲשֶׁר שָׁלַח יְהוָה לַעֲשׂוֹת
בְּאֶרֶץ מִצְרַיִם לְפָרְעֹה וְלְכָל-עַבְדָּיו וְלְכָל-אֶרְצוֹ: וְלְכָל הַיָּד הַחֲזָקָה
וְלְכָל הַמְּוִרָא הַגָּדוֹל אֲשֶׁר עָשָׂה מֹשֶׁה לְעֵינֵי כָל-יִשְׂרָאֵל:

Never again did there arise in Israel a prophet like Moses - whom Adonai singled out, face to face, for the various signs and portents that Adonai sent him to display in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his courtiers and his whole country, and for all the great might and awesome power that Moses displayed before all Israel.

genesis 1:1-5

בְּרֵאשִׁית בָּרָא אֱלֹהִים אֶת הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ: וְהָאָרֶץ הִיְתָה
תְּהוֹ וְבִהוּ וְחֹשֶׁךְ עַל-פְּנֵי תְהוֹם וְרוּחַ אֱלֹהִים מְרַחֶפֶת עַל-פְּנֵי
הַמַּיִם: וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים יְהִי אוֹר וַיְהִי-אוֹר: וַיֵּרָא אֱלֹהִים
אֶת-הָאוֹר כִּי-טוֹב וַיַּבְדֵּל אֱלֹהִים בֵּין הָאוֹר וּבֵין הַחֹשֶׁךְ: וַיִּקְרָא
אֱלֹהִים לְאוֹר יוֹם וְלַחֹשֶׁךְ קִרְא לַיְלָה וַיְהִי-עֶרֶב וַיְהִי-בֹקֶר יוֹם
אֶחָד:

When God was about to create heaven and earth, the earth was a chaos, unformed, and on the chaotic waters' face there was darkness. Then God's spirit glided over the face of the waters, and God said, "Let there be light!" - and there was light. And when God saw how good the light was, God divided the light from darkness; God then called the light Day, and called the darkness Night, and there was evening, and there was morning, [the] first day.

v'zot ha-torah

V'zot ha-torah asher sam Moshe lifnei b'nei yisrael al pi
Adonai b'yad Moshe.

וְזֹאת הַתּוֹרָה אֲשֶׁר שָׂם מֹשֶׁה
לְפָנַי בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל עַל פִּי יְיָ בְּיַד מֹשֶׁה:

This is the Torah, God's word by Moses's hand,
which Moses set before the people Israel.

when the holidays have ended:
a blessing for the return to every day life
By Devon Spier

After the holidays have ended, What is there to gaze upon?

And what is there to praise?

When the last word is uttered and the last song is sung

Are we to be numbed by the ordinary?

Or open to something extraordinary, still?

As we prepare to take in the rounds of our joy,

Let us remember the circles of our days.

And that every "Beginning" "Ending" and "During"

Contains the Power and the Glory and the Journey

To return us to the greatest source we have been given:

The blessed possibility of being alive.

eitz chaayim hi

Eitz chaayim hi, la machazikimbah, V'tom'cheha m'ushar
shalom

It is a tree of life to them who hold fast to it, and all its
supporters are happy.

עֵץ חַיִּים הִיא לַמַּחֲזִיקִים בָּהּ. וְתַמְכֶיהָ מְאֻשָּׁר:

