

BLESSING OF THE MEAL

Leader: Let us praise God with this symbol of joy and thank Him for His goodness toward us:

For the life He has given us in the Christ through Baptism.

Amen!

For his body and blood with which he feed us.

Amen!

For the household of God, the Church

Amen!

For our families.

Amen!

For our friends and our enemies.

Amen!

For the discipline that comes to us from trials and temptations.

Amen!

For the happiness that comes to us out of our labors.

Amen!

Leader: You have ennobled us O Lord, by the gift of work, and in Your love and kindness You have made us holy by the gift of rest according to your commandment: "Six days shall you labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God." (Dt 5:13)

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has created the fruit of the vine.

All: Amen!

Hiney Mah Tov

Hiney mah tov umah naim, shevet achim gam yachad.

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Hiney mah tov, hiney mah tov. Lai lai lai lai lai lai lai lai lai lai.

Hiney mah tov, hiney mah tov. Lai lai lai lai lai lai lai lai lai lai.

Behold how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell in unity.

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Leader: This bread and food that we are about to share symbolizes the abundant love of the Lord for His people. As we partake of this bounty, may we also share the fruit of the Holy Spirit with one another, in love and in truth.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.

All: Amen!

We thank God for His goodness as together we ask Him to bless this meal:

All: Bless us O Lord, and these, Your gifts, which we are about to receive from your bounty, through Christ, our Lord. Amen!

Leader: May the Lord Jesus grant us a life of holiness.

Amen!

May the Lord Jesus grant us a life of peace.

Amen!

May the Lord Jesus grant us a life of joy.

Amen!

May the King of Eternal Glory lead us this day to the banquet of eternal life.

All: GOOD LORD'S DAY!

Wish each other peace by saying "Shabbot Shalom" and the other responds "Shalom Shabbot."

Honoring

As the meal is shared different members lift a cup and honor someone. The first cup of honoring is to honor the Lord for some blessing that has been received.

SHABBOT Shalom



WELCOMING THE LORD'S DAY

Leader: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit Brothers and Sisters, let us welcome the Lord's Day.

All: We welcome the day of the Lord in joy and in peace.

Leader: Today we set aside the cares of this past week so that we may honor the Lord and celebrate His Resurrection. Today, we cease from our work in order to worship God and remember the eternal life to which He has called us.

All: Let us enter into God's rest and cease from our labors as God did from His.

It is Good

It is good to praise the Lord
And make music to your Name, O God Most High.
To proclaim your love and faithfulness
All the day and through the night.

You make me glad by your deeds, O Lord,
So I sing for joy at all your hands have made.
How great are your works, O Lord,
Elohim baruch Ha-shem!

May I dwell in your courts, O Lord,
There to flourish like the trees of Lebanon,
Planted in the house of Adonai,
There to live forever more!

Scripture Reading: Use reading for following Sunday.

All: Thanks be to God.

KINDLING OF THE LIGHTS

Leader: And God said, "Let there be light." And there was light. And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day and the darkness He called Night, and there was evening and morning, the first day. (Gen 1:3-5)
Light is the symbol of our Lord, Jesus.

All: The Lord is our light and our salvation.

Leader: Light is the symbol of our Lord's purpose and ways.

All: His word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light for my path.

Leader: Light is the symbol of the mission to which the Lord has called us.

All: You are the light of the world. Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and give glory to your father in heaven.

Woman of the House: Lord of the Universe, in honor of your Son, Light of the World and Author of Life, I am about to perform the service of lighting the light for the Lord's Day, even as it is written: "And you shall call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable." (Is 58:13)

All: In You, O Lord, is the fountain of life and in Your light, we see light.

(The woman of the house lights the candle and says this prayer with her hands raised.)

Woman of the House: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has made us holy by Your loving work and taught us to light the lights for the Lord's Day.

All: Amen.

How Great is Our God

Chris Tomlin, Jese Reeves and Ed Cash

The splendor of the King, Clothed in majesty; Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice. He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God! And all will see How great, how great is our God!

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands; Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End. The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.
Name above all names, Worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing: How great is our God!

Leader: At that time, Jesus declared, "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly of heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." (Mt 11: 28-30)

May the Lord shelter us this day in His loving presence; may He be for us a stronghold, a shield, a place of refuge from every care and sorrow as we dedicate ourselves to giving thanks and to recalling His saving deeds. (raising hands) Spread over us, O Lord, the tabernacle of Your peace.

All: Shelter us beneath the shadow of Your wings.

Leader: Blessed are You, O Lord our God who spreads the tabernacle of peace over us, over all your people, over all who honor the Lord's Day, over all who suffer, and over all your Church.

All: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has bestowed on us the gift of the Lord's Day.

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

Leader: At this hour, God's Messenger of peace comes and turns the hearts of brother to his brother, sister to her sister, parents to their children, and the hearts of children to their parents. (Mal 3:24)

All: Happy the people with such blessings. Happy the people whose God is the Lord. (Ps 144:15)

Leader: Let our sons then flourish like saplings, grown tall and strong from their youth; our daughters graceful as columns, adorned as though for a palace. Give them the grace to embrace Your plan for their life, either in marriage or celibacy for the sake of your kingdom.

All: Happy the people with such blessings. Happy the people whose God is the Lord. (Ps 144:15)

Leader: May the God of our fathers, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, bless each of you. May He who has guided you to this day lead you to be an honor and blessing to your family. May He who has protected you from harm make you a servant of the Church and a blessing to all mankind, through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Parents bless the children on the forehead with the sign of the Cross.