

Blessings for Reading Torah (Saturday morning)

Blessing before the Reading:

Leader:

Barchu et Adonai ham'vorach.

בְּרַכּוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְּבֹרָךְ.

Congregation:

Baruch Adonai ham'vorach l'olam va'ed.

בְּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְּבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם
וָעֵד.

Please note that two words in the Blessing before the Reading differ from the traditional liturgy to reflect Reconstructionism's beliefs about chooseness. Any Or Hadash congregants should use our version of the blessing; family members from outside of the congregation are welcome to use either our version (also available for practice on our website) or the traditional version.

Leader:

בְּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְּבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֵד.
בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִרְבָּנוּ
לְעִבּוּדְתוֹ וְנָתַן לָנוּ אֶת תּוֹרָתוֹ. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, נוֹתֵן
הַתּוֹרָה.

Baruch Adonai ham'vorach l'olam va'ed. Baruch atah Adonai, eloheinu melech ha'olam, asher keryanu la'avodato v'natan lanu et torato. Baruch atah Adonai, notein hatorah.

Bless Adonai who is to be blessed. Blessed is Adonai forever. Blessed are You, Adonai, Source of life, who has drawn us to Your service and have given us Your Torah. Blessed are You, Adonai, Giver of the Torah.

Blessing after the Reading:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר נָתַן לָנוּ תּוֹרַת
אֱמֶת, וְחַיֵּי עוֹלָם נָטַע בְּתוֹכֵנוּ. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, נוֹתֵן
הַתּוֹרָה.

Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu melech ha'olam, asher natan lanu torat emet v'chayei olam nata b'tocheinu. Baruch atah Adonai, notein hatorah.

Blessed are You, Adonai, Source of life, who gave us a Torah of truth and planted everlasting life within us. Blessed are You, Adonai, Giver of the Torah.

Parents' Prayers for Bar/Bat Mitzvah Service

Blessing for Candlelighting (Friday night)

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ
בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל שַׁבָּת.

Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu melech ha'olam, asher kid'shanu bemitzvotav, vetzivanu lehadlik ner shel shabbat.

Praised is Adonai our God, the Sovereign of all worlds, who hallows us with Mitzvot, and commands us to kindle the lights of Shabbat.

Blessing for Bread: ha-Motzi (Friday night, Saturday morning)

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן
הָאָרֶץ.

Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu melech ha'olam, hamotzi lechem min ha'aretz.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Source of life, who brings forth bread from the earth.

Blessing for Joyous Occasions: she-Hechiyanu (Saturday morning)

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁהַחַיֵּנוּ וְקִיַּמְנוּ
וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לְזֶמַן הַזֶּה.

Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu melech ha'olam, she-hechiyanu vekiyemanu vehigi'anu laz'man hazeh.

Blessed are You Adonai our God, the Sovereign of all worlds, who gave us life, and kept us strong, and brought us to this time.