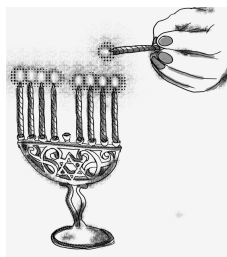
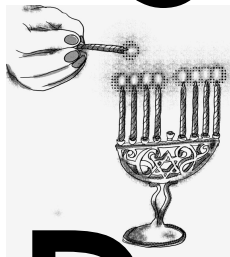


JEWS For Palestine



Ma'ariv Chanukah Demo



CHANTS

ZIONISTS DON'T SPEAK FOR ME
PALESTINE WILL BE FREE

FROM THE RIVER TO THE SEA
PALESTINE WILL BE FREE

FROM THE SEA TO THE RIVER
PALESTINE WILL LIVE FOREVER

LIGHT YOUR CANDLES, HOLD THEM HIGH
FREEDOM NOW FOR PALESTINE

ZIONISM IS BETRAYAL
ISRAEL IS DOOMED TO FAIL

Yiddish

גלאַבאָליזירט דעם אויפֿשטאַנד
Globalizirt dem ufshtand!

דארטען, וואו מ'ד לעבט,
דארט איז אונזער לאַנד

Wherever we live

that's our homeland.

Up, up with liberation
down, down with occupation



Judaism yes
zionism no
the state of Israel has to go

Songs

This Land Ain't Your Land

Chorus

This land ain't your land,
this land ain't your land
From the Jordan river, to the middle sea
From the olive groves, to the Galilee
This land belongs to Falestine

V1

As I was walking, through the Shtetl
Said fuck you Zionist, we won't settle
Won't trade our spirit, for guns and metal
This land belongs to Falestine

Chorus

V2

If you knew our history, you'd fight this misery
You ain't so different, from 40s Germany
You ain't so special, just a racist colony
This land belongs to Falestine

Chorus

V3

We roamed and rambled, all around this
planet

Eating garlic, and pomegranate
Across the silk road, around the ocean
But this land belongs to Falestine

Chorus

V4

It's about relating, not dominating
We're in diaspora, don't need no nation
Seeking collective, liberation
In this land and Falestine

As day turns to night, we begin the service by asking for G-d's mercy. For our comrades in Palestine the night is host to much danger: settler terror by ground or bombing from the sky. After this short verse we'll sing Hiney Mah Tov: "how good it is when siblings sit together in unity" as a reminder of our deepest solidarity with our siblings in Palestine.

Opening Blessing

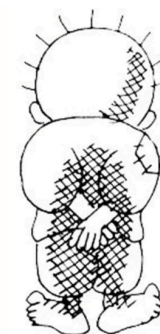
וְהוּא רַחוּם יְכַפֵּר עוֹן וְלֹא יִשְׁחִית וְהִרְבָּה
לְהַשִּׁיב אִפּוֹ וְלֹא יַעֲזִיר כָּל־חַמְתּוֹ Vehu rachum yechapper avon velo-yashchit vehirbah
lehashiv appo velo-ya'ir kol-chamato.

G-d is merciful, forgives iniquity, does not destroy,
is quick to turn away ire and restrains their wrath.

הִנֵּה מָה טוֹב וְמָה נָעִים
שֵׁבֶת אַחִים גַּם יַחַד

Hiney mah tov umah naim
Shevet achim gam yachad

How good it is when siblings sit together in unity.



Bar'chu: Call to Prayer

(straighten up) (bend knees, bow) (bend knees, bow) (straighten up)
בָּרְכוּ אֶת־יְהוָה הַמְּבֹרָךְ: bar'khu et adonai ha-m'vorakh

(straighten up) (bend knees, bow) (bend knees, bow) (straighten up)
בָּרוּךְ יְהוָה הַמְּבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד: barukh adonai ha-m'vorach l'olam va'ed

we will bless adonai who causes blessing!
bless adonai the bless-causer to this bounded span and past it!

Ma'ariv Aravim: Blessing the Evening

ברוך אתה יהוה אלהינו מלך העולם.
אשר בדברו מעריב ערבים. בחכמה
פותח שערים. ובתבונה משנה עתים.
ומחליף את־הזמנים. ומסדר את־הכוכבי
במשמרותיהם ברקיע כרצונו: בורא יום
ולילה. גולל אור מפני חשך וחשך מפני
אור: המעביר יום ומביא לילה. ומבדיל בי
יום ובין לילה. יהוה צבאות שמו: ברוך
אתה יהוה. המעריב ערבים

barukh attah adonai eloheinu melek
ha-olam, asher bidvaro ma'ariv aravim,
b'chokhmah pote'ach sh'arim.
uvitvunah m'shanneh ittim, umachalif et
ha-z'mannim, um'saddeir et ha-
kokhavim b'mishm'roteihem baraqi'a
kirtzono. borei yom valailah, goleil or
mip'nei choshekh v'choshekh mip'nei or.
hama'avir yom umeivi lailah, umavdil
bein yom uvein lailah, adonai ts'va'ot
sh'mo. barukh attah adonai, ha-ma'ariv
aravim.

blessed eternal, whose glory fills the world, Your word brings on the evening twilight,
with wisdom You open the gates of dawn, with understanding You change the times,
You rotate the seasons, and You arrange the stars that watch over us in the sky,
according to Your will. You create day and night, rolling light away from darkness
and darkness away from light. You remove day and bring on night, and separate
day from night. blessed are You, who brings on the evenings.

Ahavat Olam: Eternal Love

Ahavat olam (eternal love) is our final prayer before the sh'ma. It is seen as the blessing over the mitzvah we are about to fulfill when we say the sh'ma. This prayer reminds us to make teshuvah (turn towards) love and justice.

אהבת עולם בית ישראל עמך אהבת.
תורה ומצוות חקים ומשפטים אותנו
למדת: על־כן יהוה אלהינו. בשכנו
ובקומונו נשים בחקיקי. ונשמח ונעלוז
בדברי תורתך ומצותיך וחקותיך לעולם
ועד: כי הם חיינו וארך ימינו. ובהם
נהגה יומם ולילה. ואהבתך אל־תסיר
ממנו לעולמים: ברוך אתה יהוה. אוהב
את־עמו ישראל

ahavat olam beit yisra'el ammi kha
ahavta, torah umitsvot chuqqim
umishpatim otanu limmad'ta. al kein
adonai eloheinu, b'shokhbeinu
uv'qumeinu nasi'ach b'chuqqekha,
v'nismach v'na'aloz b'divrei
toratekha umitzvotekha
v'chuqqotekha l'olam va'ed. ki heim
chayeinu v'orekh yameinu, uvahem
nehgeh yomam valailah,
v'ahavat'kha al tasir mimmennu
l'olamim. barukh attah adonai,
ohev et ammo yisra'el.

Unending is Your love for Your people, the House of G-dwrestlers: Torah and Mitzvot,
laws and precepts have You taught us. Therefore, Eternal One our God, when we lie
down and when we rise up we will meditate on Your laws and rejoice in Your
Torah and Mitzvot for ever. Day and night we will reflect on them, for they are our
life and the length of our days. Then Your love shall never depart from hearts!

2 Blessed is the Eternal One, Who loves the people of G-dwrestlers.

Blessing for Chanukah

ברוך אתה ??
אלהינו מלך העולם
שעשה נסים לאבותינו
בימים ההם
בזמן הזה: (אמן)



Barukh atah Adonai
Eloheinu, melek ha'olam
she'asah nisim la'avoteinu
bayamim haheim
baziman hazeh. (Amein)

Blessed are You, Eternal One our God, Sovereign of the Universe, who
performed miracles for our ancestors in those days at this time, when the weak
overcame the powerful, that we would know that such miracles are possible in
every age, and the future of freedom and equality awaits us to win.

Songs

Oy Khanike

Oy, khanike, oy, khanike,
A yontef a sheyner,
A lustiker, a freylekher,
Nito nokh azoyner!
Ale nakht in dreydl
Shpiln mir,
Frishe heyse latkes
Esn mir.
Geshvinder,
Tsindt, kinder,
Di khanike-likhtelekh on.
Zol yeder bazunder
Bazingen dem vunder
Un tantsn freylekh in kon

Oh Chanukah, Oh Chanukah
Come light the Menorah
Let's have a party
We'll all dance the Horah
Gather around the table
I'll give you a treat
Sevivon to play with
And latkes to eat
And while we are playing
The candles are burning low
One for each night
They shed a sweet light
To remind us of days long ago

let us magnify and let us sanctify in this world the great name (truth), whose will created it. may the rule of the ruler come in your lifetime, and in your days, and in the life of all the children of the G?dwrestler. quickly and speedily may it come, truth. may the greatness of the name be blessed from eternity and from eternity of eternities. let us bless and let us extol, let us tell aloud and let us raise aloft, let us set on high and let us honour, let us exalt and let us praise the holy one whose name is blessed, who is fair beyond any blessing or song, any honour or any consolation that can be spoken of in this world. truth. may great peace from the waters above and the gift of life be granted to us and to all the family of the G?dwrestler, truth. may the maker of peace in the heights bring peace upon us and upon all Yisra'el, and upon all the world. truth.

Chanukah Blessings

As we hold our community members in our hearts after antisemitic and Islamophobic attacks, we also hold the Palestinian people, who have been decimated by similar hate and violence that we have faced over centuries. As sundown brings this year's Chanukah celebrations to an end, we remind ourselves that this festival calls on us to remember the miracle of light in the dark and overcoming oppression. We light hundreds of candles, once more than tradition asks of us, to remind our community that our resistance must continue for liberation from zionism.

Blessing over Candles

ברוך אתה יי	Barukh atah Adonai
אלהינו מלך העולם	Eloheinu, melekh ha'olam
אשר קדשנו במצותיו	asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav
וצונו להדליק נר	v'tzivanu l'hadlik neir
של חנכה: (אמן)	shel Chanukah. (Amein)

Blessed are You, Eternal One our God, Sovereign of the Universe, who commands us to light our candle, for each of us is a light of the Divine, and by shining our light, we only increase and never diminish the divine light of others.



Sh'ma: Listening Up

שמע!

*A note on the word Israel in our prayers: The biblical Hebrew word Yisroel ישראל means 'those who wrestle with G-d'. In our liturgy, it refers to what the ancient Jewish peoples were called and the ancient kingdom in which Jews lived, as well as modern day Jewish people. It does **not** refer to Zionism or the modern settler-state of Israel. We are called to be people who wrestle with G-d, humanity and justice.*

(cover your eyes with your hand) שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָה אֶחָד
sh'ma Yisra'el, adonai eloheinu, adonai echad.

listen up, G?dwrestlers! the all-being is our elohim, the all-being is one

Listen! Humans who wrestle with G?d;
there is a power greater than any of us and that power is One.

Interpretation by Judith Silver

(uncover your eyes, and traditionally we say this under our breath:)

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד
barukh sheim k'vod mal-khuto l'olam va'ed
blessed be G?d's glorious majesty for ever.

As we pray for peace at night, we think of Palestine and Palestinians everywhere: for the shelter of divine peace to rest upon them, and for the weapons to fall out of oppressors hands. We will also read "On a Starless Night" by Mosab Abu Toha. We pray for the political prisoners as we work together for the liberation of the Palestinian people and all those who face injustice

Hashkiveinu

הַשְׁכִּיבֵנוּ יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ לְשָׁלוֹם וְהַעֲמִידֵנוּ מַלְכֵנוּ לְחַיִּים	Hashkiveinu, Adonai Eloheinu l'shalom v'ha'amideinu malkeinu l'chai'im.
וְנִשְׁמַר צִאתָנוּ וּבֹאֵנוּ לְחַיִּים וְלִשְׁלוֹם מִעַתָּה וְעַד עוֹלָם	Ush'mor tzeiteinu, uvo'einu, l'chaim ul'shalom me'attah v'ad olam.

Grant, Eternal One, that we may lie down in peace and rise up to life renewed. Guard our going out and our coming in that, now and always, we may have life and peace.

On A Starless Night by Mosab Abu Toha

On a starless night,
I toss and turn.

The earth shakes, and
I fall out of bed.

I look out my window. The house
next door no longer
stands. It's lying like an old carpet
on the floor of the earth,
trampled by missiles, fat slippers
flying off legless feet.

I never knew my neighbors still had that small TV,
that old painting still hung on their walls,
their cat had kittens.

Amida

In the traditional 13 blessings of the Amida, we petition G-d for healing, wisdom, mercy, understanding, liberation and justice. We pray for all these things, for ourselves and for the people of Palestine who suffer the oppression of the Zionist state. You are invited to silently recite the Amidah or to take a moment for silent reflection on these blessings in the style of the Amida. We will finish the Amidah by joining together for Oseh Shalom.

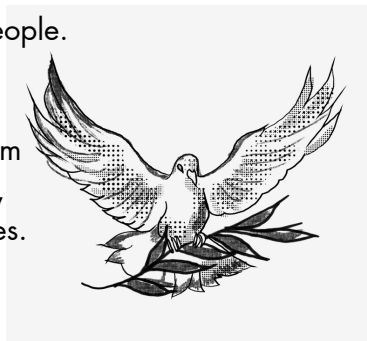
אֲדֹנָי שְׁפָתַי תִּפְתָּח וּפִי יַגִּיד תְּהִלָּתְךָ

adonai s'fatai tiftach ufi yagid t'hilatekha

My Judge, open up my lips and my mouth
will proclaim Your praise.

Healing

Blessed are You, Source of Life,
who heals those wounded by violence and hatred.
We bring before You the pain of Bondi
and the unbearable wounds of the Palestinian people.
Hold the grief, heal the injured,
and restore safety to communities
harmful by racism, Islamophobia and antisemitism
Send healing to the injured, comfort to mourners,
and mend communities torn apart by fear and lies.
Blessed are You, who heals the broken without
distinction.



Aleynu

To the One who demands justice: inspire us to become rodfei tzedek, pursuers of justice in our lives and in our communities. Give us the strength to resist power wielded with fear and dread; fill us with the vision and purpose to build a power yet greater, a power rooted in solidarity, liberation and love. Grant us the courage to dismantle systems of oppression – and when they are no more, let us dedicate our wealth and resources toward the well-being of all. May we abolish all forms of state violence that we might make way for a world free of racism and militarisation, a world where no one profits off the misery of others, a world where the bills owed those who have been colonised, enslaved and dispossessed are finally paid in full. Inspire us with the knowledge that real justice is indeed at hand, that we may realise the world we know is possible, right here, right now, in our own day. May our thoughts and our hopes, our words and our deeds guide us toward a future of reparation, of restoration, of justice, al kol yoshvei teivel for all who dwell on earth, amen. – Rabbi Brant Rosen

Mourner's Kaddish

The Mourners' Kaddish (blessing) is in Aramaic, the ancient Jewish vernacular. It is a space to honour those we have lost and hold those who are in periods of grieving or memorial. We say this Kaddish for all those murdered by the Zionist state of Israel, and for all those who are in mourning

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא [אָמֵן] בְּעֵלְמָא	yitgaddal v'yitqaddash sh'meih rabba (amen), b'alma di v'ra
דִּי־בְרָא כְרֻעֹתָהּ: וְיִמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתָהּ	khiruteih, v'yamlikh
בְּחַיִּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דִי־לְבֵית יִשְׂרָאֵל	malkhuteih, b'chayyeikhon
בְּעֵגְלָא וּבְזִמָּן קָרִיב.	uv'yomeikhon uv'chayyei di
וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:	khol beit yisra'el, ba'agala
יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ	u'vizman qariv, v'imru amen.
לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא:	y'hei sh'meih rabba m'varakh,
יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא	l'alam ul'almei almaya.
וְיִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל	yitbarakh v'yishtabbach
שְׁמֵהּ דִּי־קֻדְשָׁא.	v'yitpa'ar v'yitromam
בְּרִיךְ הוּא.	v'yitnassei v'yit-haddar
לְעָלַם מִן־לְבָבְךָ תִּשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא	v'yit'alleh v'yit-hallal, sh'meih di
וְיִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא	qudsha, b'rich hu, l'eilla min
וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:	kol birkhata v'shirata
יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שְׁמַיָּא	tushb'chata v'nechemata, di
וְחַיִּים עֲלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:	amiran b'alma, v'imru amen.
עֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרְמוֹי	y'hei sh'lama rabba min
הוּא יַעֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם	sh'maya, v'chayyim aleinu v'al
עֲלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל	kol yisra'el, v'imru amen. oseh
וְעַל־כָּל־הָעוֹלָם.	shalom bimromav, hu ya'aseh
וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:	shalom aleinu v'al kol yisra'el,
	v'al kol ha-alam, v'imru amen.

Justice

Blessed are You, Lover of Justice.

We ask for justice for the Palestinians, and the right of their return.

We cry out for the Filton 24,

and those hunger-striking as their bodies fail while justice is denied.

Spare their lives, hear their demands,

and let law never be used to destroy human life.

Blessed are You, who restores justice to the world.

- We reject our community's leadership and institutional complicity in Israel's occupation and genocide in Palestine.

- We reject the weaponisation of antisemitism to repress protest in solidarity with Palestine.

- We will continue to use every aspect of our collective Jewish identities and practice in resistance.

-We support the hunger strikers.

We come back together. We begin to close out our service with songs of peace and praise.

Oseh Shalom: Peacemaker

(We bow, taking three steps backwards. Still bowing, we say:)

(bow to your left) **עוֹשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרְמָיו** oseh shalom bimromav,
(bow to your right) **הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ** hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu,
(bow in front) **וְעַל כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל** v'al kol Yisrael,
וְעַל־כָּל־הָעוֹלָם v'al kol ha'olam,
(straighten up!) **וְאָמְרוּ: אָמֵן** v'imru: amen.

peacemaker in Your high place, will you make peace upon us? and upon all G?dwrestlers? And upon all the infinity?
And we say: truth.



Amidah continued

Wisdom

Blessed are You, Giver of Wisdom,

who teaches truth beyond power and faith beyond ideology.

Grant us the clarity to distinguish between Judaism and Zionism, between a sacred tradition of justice

and an oppressive political system that claims it for itself.

May our learning grant courage

to reject every misuse of our faith to justify harm.

Blessed are You, who grants wisdom to those who seek truth.

Mercy

Blessed are You, Compassionate One,

whose mercy exceeds all borders and labels.

Have mercy on people targeted by hatred,

on Palestinians who are dehumanized and erased,

and on all people crushed beneath racist violence and surveillance.

Soften hearts hardened by fear and supremacy,

and on all whose suffering is ignored because it is inconvenient.

Blessed are You, whose mercy embraces every human life.

Understanding

Blessed are You, who opens hearts to understanding.

Teach us to listen to oppressed voices without denial,

to hear pain without defensiveness,

and to accept responsibility for what we learn.

Grant the understanding that the Arabic word for revolution (intifada) should not be demonised as we all proclaim revolution in all our struggles.

Blessed are You, who grants understanding that leads to solidarity.

Liberation

Blessed are You, Liberator of the oppressed,

who hears the cry of the imprisoned and the silenced.

Break systems of racism, occupation, and political repression, that cage, silence, and erase,

and bring freedom rooted in dignity for all.

Blessed are You, who brings liberation to the oppressed.

