

HONORS

Tallit Ceremony
First Name Last Name
First Name Last Name
(Relation)

The Tallit is the traditional prayer shawl worn in accordance with biblical tradition. Today marks the first time Sarah will wear a Tallit as a Jewish adult, a special gift from all of her grandparents.

Preliminary Service
Rabbi Susan Grossman
Cantor Richard Walters

The preliminary prayers help us prepare spiritually for the main elements of the service.

Shacharit Service
B'nai Mitzvah

Shacharit, the morning service, is made up of Biblical and post-Biblical passages, blessings, and prayers.

Open & Close the Ark
First Name Last Name (Relation)
First Name Last Name (Relation)

The Ark is symbolic of the Holy Ark that housed the Ten Commandments. Inside is the Torah, Judaism's holiest object.

Torah Processional
First Name Last Name (Relation)
The Torah passes through the Congregation before the Torah reading.

Hagbah (Lifting the Torah)
Honored Congregant

Golel (Dressing the Torah)
First Name Last Name (Relation)
After the Torah readings, the Torah is "dressed" as a sign of respect.

TORAH READINGS

*This week's Torah portion, called **Noach**, recounts the story of Noah and the Ark. **B'nai Mitzvah** will give a D'var Torah, or study, on the portion and then we read the portion in seven parts. Blessings (aliyot) are recited before and after each reading. Following the Torah reading, **B'nai Mitzvah** will chant the Haftorah, a special reading for the new month, Rosh Chodesh.*

D'var Torah *B'nai Mitzvah*

Kohen Aliyah Honored Congregant
Torah Reader Honored Congregant

Levi Aliyah Honored Congregant
Torah Reader Honored Congregant

Shlishi Aliyah Honored Congregant
Torah Reader Honored Congregant

Revi Aliyah Honored Congregant
Torah Reader First Last Name (Relation)

Hamishi Aliyah First Last Name (Relation)
Torah Reader First Last Name (Relation)

Shishi Aliyah First Last Name (Relation)
Torah Reader First Last Name (Relation)

Shevi Aliyah First Last Name (Relation)
Torah Reader First Last Name (Relation)

Maftir Aliyah *B'nai Mitzvah*
Torah Reader *B'nai Mitzvah*

Haftorah *B'nai Mitzvah*

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Holding Torah for Prayers
First Name Last Name (Relation)
The Torah is a witness to our prayers for the well-being of the United States and the State of Israel.

Prayer for our Country
First Name Last Name (Relation)
First Name Last Name (Relation)

Prayer for the State of
Israel
First Name Last Name (Relation)

Ashrei
First Name Last Name (Relation)

Open & Close the Ark
First Name Last Name (Relation)
First Name Last Name (Relation)

Torah Recessional
First Name Last Name (Relation)

Ein Keloheinu
Congregational Children

Adon Alom
B'nai Mitzvah Class of 2013-14

To Our Family & Friends

We are honored to have you share this special day in our lives as our son John becomes a Bar Mitzvah. John has worked very hard to prepare for this day, and we couldn't be more proud of him.

From this day forward, John accepts the responsibilities of becoming a Jewish adult and embraces the values and commandments of Jewish life. Today, John will lead us in prayer, receive his first Aliyah, and read from the Torah for the first time.

This day could not have happened without the help of so many people. Our sincere thanks go to Tutor, John's tutor, for his patient and caring manner and positive impact on John's studies.

We thank Rabbi Grossman and Cantor Walters for their spiritual guidance and for helping B'nai Mitzvah prepare for this special day. Thanks to the many others who assisted in organizing today's service – First Name Last Name, honors coordinator; Beth Goodman and the Sisterhood; the Religious Committee; and the entire Beth Shalom staff.

Heartfelt thanks go out to all of you for touching our lives in so many ways. We are truly blessed to have such wonderful family and friends.

Shabbat Shalom!

Parents of B'nai Mitzvah

Our Blessing for *B'nai Mitzvah*

May all the gifts hidden inside you find their way into the world,

May all the kindness of your thoughts be expressed in your deeds,

May all your learning lead to wisdom,

May all your efforts lead to success,

May all the love in your heart be returned to you,

May G-d bless your body with health and your soul with joy,

May G-d watch over you night and day and protect you from harm,

May all your prayers be answered.

Amen.

Rabbi Naomi Levy

All our love,

Mom & Dad

Bat Mitzvah of

John Smith



October 5, 2013

1st of Cheshvan, 5774

Torah Readings

Parshat Noach

Genesis 6:9 – 8:14

Triennial Reading:

Genesis 7:1-8:14

Rosh Chodesh Maftir

Numbers 28:9-15

Haftorah - Shabbat Rosh Chodesh

Isaiah 1:24

Beth Shalom Congregation

Columbia, Maryland