



**Bat Mitzvah**

**Of**

**Savannah Angeline Baker**  
**שרה נעמי בת דוד ואורה**  
**Sara Naomi bat David v'Orah**

**November 19, 2022 | 25 Cheshvan 5783**  
**10:30 a.m.**

**Rabbi Joel Simon**  
**Cantor Deborrah Cannizzaro**  
**Rabbi Michael Weiss**  
**Rabbi Emeritus Richard Birnholz**



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PRESENTATION OF TALLIT: Grandmother – Marina Baker

ARK OPENING BEFORE Grandmother – Beth Velsco

TORAH READING: Great-Uncle – Scott Poris

PASSING OF TORAH: Great-Grandmother – Gladys Josem

Grandmother – Marina Baker

Grandmother – Beth Velsco

Parents – Heather and Lucas Baker

TORAH SERVICE: Chayei Sarah

Savannah will read from Genesis 23:1-13

TORAH ALIYOT: 1. Grandmother – Marina Baker

Grandfather – Byron Baker

2. Uncle – Aaron Benson

3. Great-Uncle – Scott Poris

4. Parents – Heather and Lucas Baker

5. Bat Mitzvah – Savannah Angeline Baker

DRESSING THE TORAH: Brothers – Ronin and Adam Baker

HAFTARAH SERVICE: Savannah will read from 1 Kings 1:5-9

BAT MITZVAH SPEECH: Savannah Angeline Baker

ARK OPENING AFTER THE Friend – Amelia Merchant

TORAH SERVICE:

PRESENTATION OF BAT Allison Polender, Board of Trustees

MITZVAH CERTIFICATE AND Congregation Schaarai Zedek

GIFTS:

ARK OPENING BEFORE Aunt – Cassie Nicotra

ALEINU: Uncle – Michael Dynarski

Aunt and Uncle – Sarah and Chance Nelson

KIDDUSH AND MOTZI: Parents – Heather and Lucas Baker

Brothers – Ronin and Adam Baker

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## Genesis 23:1-13

<sup>1</sup> Sarah lived 127 years. <sup>2</sup> Then she died in Kiri'ath Arba (that is, Hebron) in the land of Canaan. Abraham went to mourn for Sarah and to weep for her. <sup>3</sup> Then Abraham got up from mourning his dead wife and said to the sons of Heth, <sup>4</sup> "I am a foreign resident, a temporary settler, among you. Grant me ownership of a burial site among you so that I may bury my dead." <sup>5</sup> The sons of Heth answered Abraham, <sup>6</sup> "Listen, sir, you are a mighty prince among us! You may bury your dead in the choicest of our tombs. None of us will refuse you his tomb to prevent you from burying your dead." <sup>7</sup> Abraham got up and bowed down to the local people, the sons of Heth. <sup>8</sup> Then he said to them, "If you agree that I may bury my dead, then hear me out. Ask Ephron the son of Zohar <sup>9</sup> if he will sell me the cave of Machpelah that belongs to him; it is at the end of his field. Let him sell it to me publicly for the full price, so that I may own it as a burial site." <sup>10</sup> (Now Ephron was sitting among the sons of Heth.) Ephron the Hittite replied to Abraham in the hearing of the sons of Heth—before all who entered the gate of his city— <sup>11</sup> "No, my lord! Hear me out. I sell you both the field and the cave that is in it. In the presence of my people I sell it to you. Bury your dead." <sup>12</sup> Abraham bowed before the local people <sup>13</sup> and said to Ephron in their hearing, "Hear me, if you will. I pay to you the price of the field. Take it from me so that I may bury my dead there."

## 1 Kings 1:5-9

<sup>5</sup> Adonijah was the son of King David and Haggith, and he was very proud. "I will be the king," he said. So he got chariots and horses for himself and fifty men for his personal bodyguard. <sup>6</sup> Now David had never interfered with Adonijah by questioning what he did. Born next after Absalom, Adonijah was a very handsome man. <sup>7</sup> Adonijah spoke with Joab, son of Zeruiah, and Abiathar the priest, and they agreed to help him. <sup>8</sup> But Zadok, the priest, Benaiah son of Jehoyada, Nathan the prophet, Shimei, Rei, and King David's special guard did not join Adonijah.

## ***Savannah and her family welcome you!***

Welcome to Congregation Schaarai Zedek's Saturday morning Shabbat service. Shabbat, the Jewish Sabbath, begins on Friday evening at dusk and concludes when there are three stars in the sky on Saturday evening. While Shabbat is a day of rest, our community joins in worship celebrating the themes of creation and God's original redemption of the Israelites from Egypt. A reading from the Torah (The Five Books of Moses) and a Haftarah from the Books of the Prophets are part of the Shabbat service.

In addition, at this service, Savannah will become a Bat Mitzvah. This Jewish celebration of one's thirteenth birthday is much more than a party. The Bat Mitzvah, (literally child of the commandment), takes on a new understanding of responsibility and obligation, in their lives and in the Jewish community. This is not the end of their Jewish studies, but rather a commitment to continue to study and embrace their Judaism not only through Confirmation, but throughout their lives and with their future families.

Savannah has worked very hard to get to this day, and on behalf of her parents, Heather and Lucas, we want to thank you for joining us for this special occasion.

Shabbat Shalom – Wishing you all a Shabbat filled with peace.

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