



Bar Mitzvah

Of

Brett Louis Balber

מישה בער בן דוד וחיה לאה

Misha Ber ben David v'Chaya Leah

**October 8, 2022 | 13 Tishri 5783
10:30 a.m.**

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



Please turn off all cell phones while in the sanctuary.

PRESENTATION OF TALLIT: Brother – Jake Balber

TORAH SERVICE: Haazinu

Brett will read from Deuteronomy 32:1-12

TORAH ALIYOT: 1. Aunt – Dara Balber

Uncles – David Goodman and Carl Goodman

2. Grandmothers – Judith Balber

Sheila Goodman

3. Brother – Jake Balber

4. Father – David Balber

5. Bar Mitzvah – Brett Louis Balber

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DRESSING THE TORAH: Bar Mitzvah – Brett Balber

HAFTARAH SERVICE: Brett will read from 2 Samuel 22:47-50

BAR MITZVAH SPEECH: Bar Mitzvah – Brett Louis Balber

PRESENTATION OF BAR MITZVAH CERTIFICATE AND GIFTS:
Ellie Probasco, Board of Trustees
Congregation Schaarai Zedek

ARK OPENING BEFORE ALEINU: Cousins – Dossy Gelendar

Martin Gelendar

KIDDUSH AND MOTZI: Father – David Balber

Brother – Jake Balber

Bar Mitzvah – Brett Balber

Zichronam Livracha – May their memory be a blessing

Mother – Sharon Balber

Grandfather – Michael Balber

Grandfather – Abert Goodman

Deuteronomy 32:1-12

¹ Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak; hear, O earth, the words of my mouth. ² My teaching will drop like the rain, my sayings will distill as the dew, as the droplets on the grass, and as the showers on the herb. ³ For I will proclaim the name of Adonai: ascribe greatness to our God! ⁴ God is the Rock; God's work is perfect; for all God's ways are just. Adonai is a God of faithfulness and without injustice; righteous and upright is Adonai. ⁵ They have acted corruptly to Adonai; they are not God's children, but blemished; they are a perverse and crooked generation. ⁶ Is this how you repay Adonai, you foolish and unwise people? Is Adonai not your parent, who has bought you? Has God not made you, and established you? ⁷ Remember the days of old, consider the years of previous generations. Ask your father, and he will show you; your elders, and they will tell you: ⁸ When the Most High gave the nations their inheritance, when God separated the sons of man, Adonai set the boundaries of the peoples according to the number of the children of Israel. ⁹ For Adonai's portion is God's people; Jacob is the allotment of God's inheritance. ¹⁰ Adonai found him in a desert land and in the howling waste of a wilderness; Adonai led him about, Adonai instructed him, God protected him like the pupil of God's eye. ¹¹ Like an eagle stirs up her nest, that flutters over her young, Adonai spread out his wings and took him; Adonai lifted him on pinions; ¹² Adonai alone guided him, and there was no foreign god with him.

2 Samuel 22:47-50

⁴⁷ Adonai is alive! My protector is praiseworthy! The God who delivers me is exalted as Ruler! ⁴⁸ The one true God completely vindicates me; Adonai makes nations submit to me. ⁴⁹ God delivers me from my enemies; You snatch me away from those who attack me; You rescue me from violent men. ⁵⁰ So I will give you thanks, Adonai, before the nations! I will sing praises to You.

Brett and his 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, Brett will become a Bar Mitzvah. This Jewish celebration of one's thirteenth birthday is much more than a party. The Bar 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.

Brett has worked very hard to get to this day, and on behalf of his father, David, 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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