



Bar Mitzvah

Of

Brennan Alexander Port

מרדכי אלכסנדר בן יהודה אריה נתן ולאה ברכה

Mordechai Alexander ben Yehuda-Aryeh Natan v'Leah Barucha

June 25, 2022 | 26 Sivan 5782

10:30 a.m.

Rabbi Joel Simon

Cantor Deborrah Cannizzaro

Rabbi Michael Weiss

Rabbi Emeritus Richard Birnholz



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PRESENTATION OF TALLIT: Parents – Lauren and Lou Port

ARK OPENING BEFORE TORAH READING: Cousins – Isaac, Madeline, and Jesse Bloom and Theo and Ari Bloom

PASSING OF TORAH: Great-Grandmother – Irene Bloom
Grandparents – Jan and Jeff Bloom
Grandparents – Nancy and Wayne Port
Parents – Lauren and Lou Port

TORAH SERVICE: Sh'lach L'cha
Brennan will read from Numbers 13:25-14:2

TORAH ALIYOT: 1. Aunt and Uncle – Amy and Michael Bloom
Aunt and Uncle – Melissa and Matthew Bloom

2. Grandmother – Nancy Port
Aunt and Uncle – Amy and Josh Reiter

3. Grandparents – Jan and Jeff Bloom

4. Parents – Lauren and Lou Port

5. Bar Mitzvah – Brennan Alexander Port
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DRESSING THE TORAH: Brother – Connor Port
Sister – Emmi Port

HAFTARAH SERVICE: Brennan will read from Joshua 2:1-3

BAR MITZVAH SPEECH: Brennan Alexander Port

ARK OPENING AFTER THE TORAH SERVICE: Cousins – Rachel and Samantha Reiter

PRESENTATION OF BAR MITZVAH CERTIFICATE AND GIFTS: Scott Shimberg, President
Congregation Schaarai Zedek

ARK OPENING BEFORE ALEINU: Great-Aunt and Great-Uncle – Lori Ann and Allan Phillips

KIDDUSH AND MOTZI: Brother – Connor Port
Sister – Emmi Port
Bar Mitzvah – Brennan Port

Numbers 13:25-14:2

²⁵ At the end of forty days, they returned from scouting the land. ²⁶ They went straight to Moses and Aaron and the whole Israelite community at Kadesh in the wilderness of Paran, and they made their report to them and to the whole community, as they showed them the fruit of the land. ²⁷ This is what they told him: “We came to the land to which you sent us; it does indeed flow with milk and honey, and here is its fruit. ²⁸ However, the people who inhabit the country are powerful, and the cities are fortified and very large; moreover, we saw the Anakites there. ²⁹ Amalekites dwell in the Negeb regions; Hittites, Jebusites and Amorites inhabit the hill country; and Canaanites dwell by the Sea and along the Jordan.” ³⁰ Caleb hushed the people before Moses and said, “Let us by all means go up, and we shall gain possession of it, for we shall surely overcome it.” ³¹ But the men who had gone up with him said, “We cannot attack that people, for it is stronger than we.” ³² Thus they spread malicious statements among the Israelites about the land they had scouted, saying, “The country that we traversed and scouted is one that devours its settlers. All the people that we saw in it are of great size; ³³ we saw the Nephilim there - the Anakites are part of the Nephilim - and we looked like grasshoppers to ourselves, and so we must have looked to them.”^{14:1} The whole community broke into loud cries, and the people wept that night. ² All the Israelites railed against Moses and Aaron, “If only we had died in the land of Egypt,” the whole community shouted at them. “If only we might die in this wilderness!”

Joshua 2:1-3

¹ Joshua, son of Nun, secretly sent two spies from Shittim, saying, “God, explore the countryside of Jericho!” When they got to Jericho, they came to the house of a woman named Rahab and stayed there. ² Someone told the king of Jericho that some Israelites had come that night to spy out the country, ³ so he sent word to Rahab, “The men who have just arrived and are in your house have come to spy out the whole country; bring them out!”

Brennan and his family welcome you!

Welcome to Congregation Scharai 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, Brennan 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.

Brennan has worked very hard to get to this day, and on behalf of his parents, Lauren and Lou, 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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