

Evening 3 – Hanukkah (Tuesday)

12.8.15

Significance: Remembering the re-dedication of the Temple after it was defiled by the Greeks

Observances: Lighting candles, reciting prayers and scriptures

Length: 8 days (This year, December 6–14, 2015)

Customs: Eating fried foods; playing with a dreidel (top)

The Torah reading for each day of Hanukkah is taken from **Numbers 6:22–8:4**, which recounts the dedication of the *mishkan* (temporary, moveable place of worship) by the Israelites in the desert. On Shabbat during Hanukkah, we read the regular weekly portion. During the Festival of Lights, the *Haftarah* readings, additional selections from the Prophetic books, are **Zechariah 4:1–7** and **I Kings 7:40–50**.

We light the Lead Candle and then we light the

1st, 2nd, & 3rd candles and say:

(Candles are added from right to left and kindled from left to right.)



*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tsivanu
l'hadlik ner shel Hanukkah.*

(Click here for audio on how to say correctly. <http://www.reformjudaism.org/practice/prayers-blessings>)

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle the Hanukkah lights.

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*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asah nisim laavoteinu v'imoteinu  
bayamim hahaeim baz'man hazeh.*

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Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who performed wonderful deeds for our ancestors in days of old at this season.

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