

Light Up the NIGHT

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HANUKKAH 2020

Agudas Achim is pleased to present...

LIGHT UP THE NIGHT

A week of wonderful community Hanukkah events

There are activities for all ages and an array of interests. Look through these pages for the *real* story of Hanukkah, candlelighting each night led by a different group in our community, and special event information.

Don't miss *The Bible Players Comedy Troop* on the last night of Hanukkah—fun for adults of all ages.

FROM RABBI REIN

In a time when our world and our lives seem filled with darkness, we light the *hanukkiyah* and place our light in the window sill so that the entire world can benefit. This Hanukkah, we invite you to push away the darkness and celebrate miracles both ancient and new with your Agudas community.

Every day and every night we'll have an opportunity to gather virtually: bring your *hanukkiyah* close to the screen for blessings with the clergy, play virtual dreidel and cook latkes! Together, as one community, we'll *Light Up the Night*.

SUFGANIYOT / DONUTS FOR HANUKKAH

Pick up curbside at AAC
Thursday, December 10 | 10 AM-6 PM
Start off the holiday with a traditional Hanukkah treat and support our preschool. Order kosher Krispy Kreme Doughnuts by **Tuesday, December 8, 8 p.m.** [Place your order here.](#)



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LIGHT UP THE NIGHT

No matter how you spell it, Hanukkah is one of the most popular winter holidays in the Jewish year. Despite the fact that it often coincides with a major holiday for our Christian neighbors, Hanukkah is a minor Jewish festival, which, in recent decades has risen to prominence. Even though The Festival of Lights is traditionally a lesser holiday, there is a great deal for children and adults to learn about this holiday that goes beyond *latkes*, presents, and *dreidels*. The holiday teaches important lessons about faith, tolerance, loyalty, miracles, and Jewish continuity in the face of overwhelming odds.

This year Agudas Achim's **Light Up the Night** gives all our members the chance to engage in meaningful ways. This booklet contains a variety of resources including history, a guide to online resources, new and traditional recipes, a candlelighting guide, and a detailed list of each event and how to access those that interest you.

A special thank you to all who worked on this synagogue-wide program: Hazzan Dienstfrey, Yasmin Drescher, Rachel Goldberg, Jen Halpern, Meredith Ludwig, Joel Goldhammer, Rabbi Rein, Ilana Rothberg, Chaya Silver, Harriet Vorona, Diana Weil.

Happy Hanukkah!

חג שמחה!



LIGHT UP THE NIGHT... HANUKKAH AT A GLANCE

THURS., DEC. 10
First Night

Candlelighting 7 PM
 Donut Pick Up
 10 AM-6 PM
 Dreidel Games for All
 8 PM

FRI., DEC. 11
Second Night

Candlelighting
 4:30 PM
 Happy Hour
 5:30 PM
 Kabbalat Shabbat
 Services
 6:30 PM

SAT., DEC. 12
Third Night

Candlelighting &
 Concert with *Ein
 Lanu Z'man* 7 PM
 Teen Virtual Social
 8 PM

SUN., DEC. 13
Third Day

Sisterhood Virtual
 Brunch
 10 AM
 Young Families Fun
 11 AM
 Kahoot Aleph, PreK-2
 3 PM
 Kahoot Bet, 3rd-6th
 5 PM

SUN., DEC. 13
Fourth Night

Candlelighting 7 PM
 Kahoot Gimmel,
 12 years and up
 8 PM

MON., DEC. 14
Fifth Night

Cooking with Diana
 6 PM
 Candlelighting 7 PM
 Bedtime Stories
 ages K-6
 7:30 PM

TUES., DEC. 15
Fifth Day

Senior Schmooze
 3 PM

TUES., DEC. 15
Sixth Night

Candlelighting 7 PM
 Movie Night
 8 PM

WED., DEC. 16
Sixth Day

Hanukkah Around the
 World With Yasmin
 4 PM

Seventh Night

Candlelighting 7 PM
 Bedtime Stories
 ages K-6
 7:30 PM
 Rosh Chodesh Study
 8PM

THURS., DEC. 17
Eighth Night

Candlelighting 7 PM
 Comedy Show with
 The Bible Players
 8 PM

**HOW DO YOU
 CELEBRATE
 HANUKKAH?**

Please send pictures of your household lighting candles, playing dreidel, and doing whatever it is that your family does to *Light Up the Night*.

Send pictures to rgoldberg@agudasachim-va.org for an AAC slideshow.

FESTIVAL OF Lights

STORY OF HANUKKAH, COMPILED & WRITTEN BY CHAYA SILVER

WHAT IS THE REAL STORY OF THIS HOLIDAY?

Believe it or not, this question is not as easy to answer as one might think. There are multiple explanations for this festival, some involve miracles while others involve the complex history of turmoil within the Jewish community of the 2nd Century BCE. Hanukkah primarily celebrates a historical event but centuries after the war in Judea, a spiritual element was added to the festival. Let's take a look.

THE STORY WE TELL CHILDREN

Hanukkah celebrates the military victory of a small band of dedicated Jews who fought and defeated the Syrian-Greek superpower in the 2nd century BCE. When the Maccabees reclaimed The Holy Temple in Jerusalem soldiers immediately wanted to relight the golden menorah, the eternal flame, that symbolized God's constant presence. To do this, they needed ritually pure olive oil pressed especially for this purpose which was then blessed by the High Priest. It would take 8 days for new oil to be made, yet, the small amount of oil that was left undisturbed by the Syrian-Greeks lasted 8 days, long enough for new oil to arrive. We tell our children that because of God's love there were two miracles: the military victory and the miracle of the oil.

WHAT IS THE "REAL" STORY OF HANUKKAH?

In the early 2nd Century BCE the Syrian Greeks took over the region we now know as Israel. Along with the conquering army, the Greeks brought their culture and religion. In the wake of Alexander's appearance in and departure from Jerusalem, relations between Jews and Greeks were so good that an exchange of cultures took place. For the Jewish minority assimilation began slowly with things such as giving children Greek names and speaking the Greek language. To the surprise of traditionalists, the tempo of assimilation was very rapid. Jews who embraced Greek culture at the expense of Judaism became known as *Misyavnim*, or Hellenists. Estimates are that a third or more of the Jewish population was Hellenist. The friction between Judean Jews who assimilated and those who fiercely held on to Jewish laws and traditions became contentious as the years passed.

To secure dominance by Syrian-Greek culture and authority, the Greeks began a campaign to crack down on all groups that posed a threat to their hegemony of the region. Since the Jewish population was large and since the rate of assimilation wasn't fast enough for the Greek authorities, Antiochus, the ruler of the region, established laws making it impossible for Jews to practice mitzvot or to study Torah. The militia enforced these laws including the collection of heavy taxes. Jews were forced to quarter Greek soldiers in their homes, and Jewish brides were taken advantage of by soldiers prior to their wedding nights. Antiochus had his people place a statue of Zeus in the courtyard of The Temple in Jerusalem. The Greeks banned the observance of the Sabbath and circumcision on pain of death. Then the Greeks demanded that altars to the Greek idols be established and that sacrifices be offered on a regular basis in every Jewish town.

About the year 166 BCE, a group finally stood up to the Greeks: Matityahu (Mattathias) and his family, known as the Hasmoneans. We do not know much

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FROM HAZZAN DIENSTFREY

We learn that Hanukkah is about the few overcoming the many, about the miracle of the oil. Children learn that it is about playing dreidel and opening gifts. And we all learn that it is a time to devour *latkes* and *sufganiyot*.

But Hanukkah is REALLY about bringing light to the darkest time of the year. It's a reminder that even in the moments of greatest despair - brought on by everything from the loss of a loved one to a global pandemic - we can create the light to see us through. We do that here at Agudas by gathering together. As a community, we are the candles that provide the light and the warmth. We are here to, gradually, candle by candle, increase the light in each other's lives.

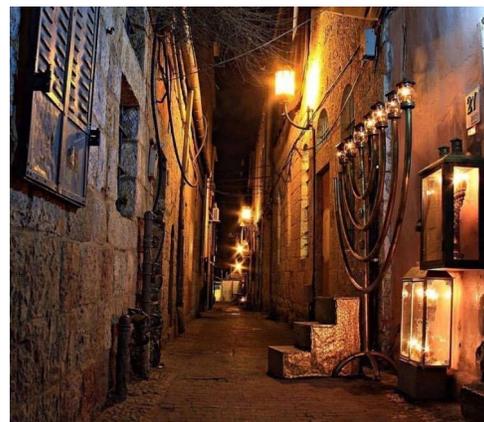
This year, we have created an entire week of ways in which we can light each other's paths through this holiday. Together, we will light candles, learn from our talented *shlichah*, hear from guest speakers, enjoy the music of *Ein Lanu Z'man*, and laugh with The Bible Players comedy troop. We will turn on our devices to see each other, to speak to each other, to hear each other, and, most importantly, just to be with each other.

May we all be blessed with a true Festival of Lights at Agudas - through Zoom and beyond.

Candlelighting, Ma'ariv And A Little Schmooze

Each night, communal candlelighting will be at 7 p.m. (except Friday night when it will be prior to Shabbat candlelighting) followed by evening *minyan* at 7:30 p.m. Between candlelighting and *ma'ariv*, all are welcome to stay on the zoom and schmooze:

<https://tinyurl.com/servicesAAC>



HOW TO PLACE AND LIGHT THE CANDLES

BLESSINGS, ORDER, SONGS

The candles are placed in the menorah from right to left (just as Hebrew is written from right to left), but are lit from left to right. The shamash candle is always the first one lit and is used to light the others, starting with the left-most one. (Think of it as lighting the candle representing the newest night first.)

After placing the candles in the menorah, but before lighting them, we recite the blessings.

(First Night Only):

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
שֶׁהֵחַיְנוּ, וְקִיְמָנוּ, וְהַגִּיעָנוּ לְ

זְמַן הַזֶּה

*Baruch atah adonai eloheinu melech
ha'olam, shehecheyanu, v'kiyimanu,
v'higiyanu lazman hazeh*

Praised are You, Our God, Ruler of
the universe, Who has given us life
and sustained us and enabled us to
reach this season.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ, בְּיָמֵים הָהֵם
בְּזְמַן הַזֶּה

*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech
haolam, she-asah nisim la'avoteinu
bayamim haheem bazman hazeh.*

Praised are You, Our God, Ruler of
the universe, Who performed
wondrous deeds for our ancestors in
those ancient days at this season.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
אֲשֶׁר קִידְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוֵּינוּ
לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה

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

Praised are You, Our God, Ruler of
the universe, Who made us holy
through Your commandments and
commanded us to kindle the
Hanukkah lights.

FIRST NIGHT ACTIVITIES

DOUGHNUT PICKUP

Curbside pickup at AAC
Thursday, December 10 | 10 AM-6 PM
Pick up your pre-ordered donuts to
enjoy a traditional Hanukkah treat and
support our preschool.

GOODY BAGS

Curbside pickup at AAC
Thursday, December 10 | 10 AM-6 PM
Young Families is giving away FREE
Goody Bags filled with candles, *gelt*,
a dreidel, a storybook, family
resources, craft projects, and
more! Sign up while supplies last,
<https://tinyurl.com/Hanukkah-Goodies>.

LIGHT ONE CANDLE | 7 PM MA'ARIV MINYAN | 7:30 PM

All are welcome to join Rabbi Steven
Rein and Hazzan Elisheva Dienstfrey in
the synagogue parking lot or on zoom.
They will lead the community in
candlelighting on the first night of
Hanukkah.

Evening *minyan* will follow.
Congregants are welcome to stay on
zoom and schmooze between
candlelighting and *minyan*.

Candlelighting and minyan zoom:
<https://tinyurl.com/servicesAAC>
Meeting ID: 979 9810 9590
Passcode: h5kk1F

PLAY DREIDEL NUN, GIMMEL, HEY, SHIN, SPIN THE DREIDEL, WHO WILL WIN?

Thursday, December 10 | 8 PM
Meet up with friends online for the
most famous of all Jewish gambling
games.

Get your *dreidel* and *gelt* ready for an
evening of fun.
[https://zoom.us/j/93894488071?
pwd=NnViSXQzNW1zYk9xOUUpCSzVl
NWxDUT09](https://zoom.us/j/93894488071?pwd=NnViSXQzNW1zYk9xOUUpCSzVlNWxDUT09)
Meeting ID: 938 9448 8071
Passcode: Dreidel



LIGHT ONE CANDLE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10 | 7 PM

First night candlelighting
with Rabbi Steven Rein and
Hazzan Elisheva Dienstfrey

Fun Fact

In Israel, jelly donuts are called *sufganiot*.

RULES TO PLAY A VIRTUAL DREIDEL GAME

AAC will *Light up the Night* with virtual **Chat Room Dreidel**.

Participants will be divided into chat rooms to play dreidel in small groups.

Each player will need: a dreidel, coins/pennies/candies or some object to use as tokens. For the virtual dreidel game, please have enough tokens to represent the other players in the game. Players will manipulate the pot and tokens to represent the other players.

1. All players should have an equal amount of tokens
2. All players put a token in a pot in the center
3. Players take turns spinning the dreidel

4. Player acts in accordance with the letter which is facing up when the dreidel stops spinning

- Nun means nothing, play passes to next player
- ↷ Gimmel means all, the player takes all the tokens in the pot
- ↶ Heh means half, the player takes half the tokens in the pot
- ⤵ Shin means put in, the player puts all of his tokens into the pot

5. Play may continue for a set amount of time or until one player has won all the coins.

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about them except that they were of noble descent from the priestly class (Kohanim), including those who had served as High Priest. One day, a Greek contingent marched in, set up an altar, gathered all the Jews and forced them to sacrifice a pig to Zeus. They then asked for a Jewish volunteer to perform the sacrifice. One stepped forward. As he approached the altar Matisyahu stabbed him to death. Chaos broke out. The Greek army attempted to subdue the crowd, but the Jews were armed and slaughtered the entire Greek patrol.

Matisyahu had five sons, all of whom were people of great organizational leadership as well as pious, committed Jews: Johanan (Yochanan), Simon (Shimon), Jonathan (Yonatan), Judah (Yehudah) and Eleazar. They ran to the caves and organized an army—not to fight an open war, but a guerilla war. Originally, they organized a force of about 3,000 men. Eventually it grew to 6,000 and never reached more than 12,000 men.

The general of the army was the great Judah, known as Judah Maccabee, “Maccabaeus” is the Greek word for hammer, but Mattathias took it, and made it Jewish by declaring that “Maccabee” stood for the first four letters in Exodus 15:11, meaning, “Who is like You, God?” which was said by Moses and the people after the miraculous drowning of the Egyptians at the Sea of Reeds.

An enormous Syrian-Greek army, numbering almost 50,000 men, marched into Judea. Judah the

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SECOND NIGHT ACTIVITIES

LIGHT TWO CANDLES

Friday, December 11 | 4:30 PM

Join members of the Member Services Committee in lighting candles on the second night of Hanukkah before Shabbat begins.

HANUKKAH HAPPY HOUR

5:30-6:15 PM

Celebrate Hanukkah with a virtual wine & cheese hosted by Olivia and Noah Segal. All are welcome.

KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICES

6:30 PM

End your week with relaxing, uplifting songs and Psalms of Shabbat. Welcome Shabbat in community.

ZOOM FOR THESE ACTIVITIES

<https://tinyurl.com/servicesAAC>

Meeting ID: 979 9810 9590

Passcode: h5kk1F

Dial: +1 301 715 8592



LIGHT TWO CANDLES

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11 | 4:30 PM

Second night
candlelighting with
Member Services
Committee

THIRD NIGHT ACTIVITIES

SHABBAT MORNING

Saturday, December 12 | 9:30 AM
National Guard Chaplain COL Larry Bazer will speak about Hanukkah in Kabul. <https://tinyurl.com/servicesAAC>

LIGHT THREE CANDLES EIN LANU Z'MAN CONCERT

Saturday, December 12 | 7 PM
On the third night, light candles with our house band *Ein Lanu Z'man* and stay on zoom for the virtual concert, featuring the talented Jeremy Fagen. ELZ will *Light Up the Night* with song. <https://zoom.us/j/98273445096?pwd=enYyOFIvMC9PejIXVHhwZ3VBSWRXUT09>
Meeting ID: 982 7344 5096
Passcode: 089011

TEEN VIRTUAL HANUKKAH SOCIAL

Saturday, December 12 | 8 PM
While teens are welcome to all the Hanukkah events, this one is especially for teens. Meet up virtually with long-time friends and new ones. Hang with Yasmin and Daniella. <https://umd.zoom.us/j/93450907413>

The congregation is welcome to *mincha, ma'ariv, havdalah and Hanukkah candlelighting* at 4:30 p.m. for the zoom bar mitzvah of Micha Albert. A second candlelighting will take place at 7 p.m. to kick off the concert. <https://tinyurl.com/servicesAAC>

LIGHT THREE CANDLES

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12 | 7 PM

Third night candlelighting
with
Ein Lanu Z'man



SUNDAY EVENTS

SISTERHOOD VIRTUAL BRUNCH WITH EILEEN FILLER-CORN

Sunday, December 13 | 10 AM
Sisterhood is thrilled to announce that the Speaker of the Virginia House of Delegates will be the keynote speaker on this Hanukkah morning. Eileen Filler-Corn is the first woman in the 400-year history of Virginia's Legislature to hold this position. She is also the first Jew to rise to this prominent role.

Speaker Filler-Corn rose to this role after representing the 41st House District for a decade, making her the fastest person to ascend to the post. The 41st District includes parts of Fairfax, Fairfax Station, and West Springfield. Eileen Filler-Corn is also a distinguished member of the Northern Virginia Jewish community and has held board positions with the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Washington (JCRC), American Jewish

Committee, and Jewish Foundation for Group Homes. Eileen Filler-Corn is a member of Adat Reyim Congregation in Springfield, Virginia.

The entire congregation is invited. <https://zoom.us/j/95992520054?pwd=WHNjTVocVNTaHg4UGewYmRneFFoQT09>

YOUNG FAMILIES HANUKKAH FUN WITH MORAH JEN

Sunday, December 13 | 11 AM
Read a story, do a craft project, and enjoy a snack together, virtually. Bring your own *sufganiyot* (donuts) or *latkes* (potato pancakes).

Register for zoom information: agudasachim-va.org/event/hanukkah-fun-with-morah-Jen.html

HANUKKAH KAHOOT FOR ALL AGES

All are invited to these joyful trivia competitions. Test your knowledge of Hanukkah. Win prizes. Families are welcome to compete as a unit.

Kahoot Aleph, preK-2 | 3 PM
<https://zoom.us/j/98889560379?pwd=QzJ0OVV0a1F1c2s4K1RuWjBHWkVvQT09>
Meeting ID: 988 8956 0379
Passcode: 5781RS

Kahoot Bet, grades 3-6 | 5 PM
<https://zoom.us/j/99383333857?pwd=TmZ6R1VYRjM2NGFtb2V4aE9nOUe2QT09>
Meeting ID: 993 8333 3857
Passcode: 5781RS

FOURTH NIGHT ACTIVITIES



LIGHT FOUR CANDLES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13 | 7 PM

Fourth night
candlelighting with
Sisterhood

LIGHT FOUR CANDLES | 7 PM

Sisterhood will lead candlelighting on the fourth night.

EVENING MINYAN | 7:30 PM

<https://tinyurl.com/servicesAAC>

Meeting ID: 979 9810 9590

Passcode: h5kk1F

Dial: +1 301 715 8592

ADVANCED KAHOOT

Kahoot Gimmel, 12 years+ | 8 PM

If you think you know your Hanukkah trivia and always shout answers first, try your hand at this Kahoot for grade 8-adult.

[https://zoom.us/j/99950751730?](https://zoom.us/j/99950751730?pwd=YXhQNXhYxcHdlcjNoVEs4dko4VlBmUT09)

[pwd=YXhQNXhYxcHdlcjNoVEs4dko4VlBmUT09](https://zoom.us/j/99950751730?pwd=YXhQNXhYxcHdlcjNoVEs4dko4VlBmUT09)

HOW TO PLAY KAHOOT

Kahoot is an online, multiple choice, trivia game.

To play any of the AAC Hanukkah Kahoot! games, please follow these instructions

- Sign into the Zoom Group listed for your game; either Aleph, Bet, or Gimel.
- When you get into your Zoom meeting, your host will give you instructions on how to begin the Kahoot Game.

HOW TO PLAY KAHOOT

You must have 2 devices charged and ready to play. This can be a laptop and a tablet, mobile device, etc.

The questions will be broadcast on the zoom screen and your second device will be used as your Kahoot game controller.

1. When instructed, go to **Kahoot.it**
2. Use the code that the Kahoot leader gives you.

3. You must use a family name as your Kahoot Name “nickname” to get points for your team.
4. A question will pop up on the zoom screen and will give you the answer choices.
5. Answer the question on your Kahoot game controller device by clicking the color/shape within the time limit to get points—correct answers get points, speed of answering increases points.
6. After all the players answer the question, or the time is up, a leaderboard will pop up and tell you what place you are in and how many points you have.
7. Repeat until all the questions have been completed.
8. An overall leaderboard for the game will pop up and scores the on the leaderboard will be added to the overall score for a team.

Maccabee marshaled his forces and outmaneuvered the far larger Greek army, forced it to divide and then destroyed its various components, killing many thousands and forcing the survivors to flee north to Syria.

It took many years, but their hit-and-run tactics wore down three great Greek armies. However, the Jews paid a very heavy price in terms of blood. Matityahu died in the early going. Judah Maccabee was killed in the third great battle. Eleazar died while attacking an elephant. Johanan and Jonathan were killed as well. The only Maccabee brother who survived was Simon.

Most of our knowledge of the story of Hanukkah comes from two ancient books called I Maccabees and II Maccabees. Both of these books were written shortly after the events of Hanukkah transpired (2nd Century BCE), the former by a Jew, and the latter by an unknown author.

The story of the battle and the Jews' miraculous victory and rededication of the Temple are all recorded in detail; however, nowhere in either of these two books is there any mention of, nor even an allusion to, a miracle of oil lasting for eight days. Josephus, a man living just a few generations after the story of Hanukkah, and from whom we get a great deal of Jewish history as well, also records the story of Hanukkah. Noticeably absent is any mention of a miracle of oil.

In short, not a single historical accounting of the events of Hanukkah mention anything at all about oil miraculously lasting for eight days. These omissions seem practically unexplainable if the miracle actually occurred.

BUT WHERE DID THE STORY OF THE OIL COME FROM?

While today we are familiar with the story of the miracle of the oil, this story does not appear in any source until the Babylonian Talmud, which was compiled

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President George W. Bush was the first president to host an official White House Hanukkah.

5th Night

29 KISLEV / MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

FIFTH NIGHT ACTIVITIES

Hanukkah is always celebrated in two months. It starts in Kislev and ends in Tevet.

**PLACE THE CANDLES
IN THE HANUKKIYA
RIGHT TO LEFT;**

**LIGHT THE CANDLES
LEFT TO RIGHT**

COOKING WITH DIANA | 6 PM

Try your hand at making latkes, applesauce or sufganiyot. Follow along with Diana from your home kitchen. Recipes are on pages 14-15.

<https://zoom.us/j/91545165431?pwd=TzJLcGdGcUcyYWNUbVNYbWZDbGtydz09>
Meeting ID: 915 4516 5431
Passcode: latkes
Dial: +1 301 715 8592

LIGHT FIVE CANDLES | 7 PM

Join members of the Inclusion Committee to light the candles and usher in the light. Stay on zoom to schmooze till minyan starts.

EVENING MINYAN | 7:30 PM

<https://tinyurl.com/servicesAAC>
Meeting ID: 979 9810 9590
Passcode: h5kk1F
Dial: +1 301 715 8592

BEDTIME STORIES WITH CHAYA

For K-6th grade | 7:30 PM

A special opportunity for the younger ones at home to enjoy Hanukkah with Morah Chaya. Get ready for bed and get comfortable in PJs. Turn down the video, turn up the volume, *Light Up the Night* with traditional Hanukkah stories.

<https://zoom.us/j/97654778082?pwd=cEFVak9zRDZVVmI1QnAwSUVHa0Z4dz09>
Meeting ID: 976 5477 8082
Passcode: 5781RS



HOLIDAY FOOD, OF COURSE

COOK HOLIDAY FAVORITES WITH OUR OWN DIANA WEIL

What would a Jewish holiday be without food (other than Yom Kippur, of course)? Try your hand at making Hanukkah delectables such as latkes, *sufganiyot*, or holiday drinks.

Have your ingredients on hand to follow along with Diana from your home kitchen. The recipes can be found on pages 14-15.

Light Up the Night with delicious food, but please, don't light up your kitchen!

<https://zoom.us/j/91545165431?pwd=TzJLcGdGcUcyYWNUbVNYbWZDbGtydz09>
Meeting ID: 915 4516 5431
Passcode: latkes
Dial: +1 301 715 8592

LIGHT FIVE CANDLES

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14 | 7 PM

Fifth night candlelighting
with
Inclusion Committee

Q: How do we publicize the miracle of Hanukkah?

A: Put the *hanukkiya* in the window for all to see.

SIXTH NIGHT ACTIVITIES

SENIORS SCHMOOZE & LEARN

Tuesday, December 15 | 3 PM

Calling all seniors. Get together virtually to schmooze and to learn with Rabbi Rein. His topic will be "When the Mighty Fall."

[https://zoom.us/j/99562732772?](https://zoom.us/j/99562732772?pwd=NVYxeU1oQUIkVDVVOWhqODFJL2x3QT09)

[pwd=NVYxeU1oQUIkVDVVOWhqODFJL2x3QT09](https://zoom.us/j/99562732772?pwd=NVYxeU1oQUIkVDVVOWhqODFJL2x3QT09)

Meeting ID: 995 6273 2772

Passcode: Schmooze

LIGHT SIX CANDLES | 7 PM

Members of the Social Action Committee will lead the community candlelighting. Stay on zoom to schmooze till minyan starts.

EVENING MINYAN | 7:30 PM

<https://tinyurl.com/servicesAAC>

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MOVIE NIGHT

Tuesday, December 15 | 8 PM

Watch the movie or read the book "The Boy who Harnessed the Wind" and come prepared to discuss. (See details below.)

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in the 5th Century CE, seven hundred years after the events of Hanukkah took place. The only source for the miracle of oil comes from the Gemara.

What is Hanukkah? For our Rabbis taught: On the twenty-fifth of Kislev [commence] the days of Hanukkah, which are eight on which a lamentation for the dead and fasting are forbidden. For when the Greeks entered the Temple, they defiled all the oils therein, and when the Hasmonean dynasty prevailed against and defeated them, they made search and found only one cruse of oil which lay with the seal of the High Priest, but which contained sufficient for one day's lighting only; yet a miracle was wrought therein and they lit [the lamp] therewith for eight days. The following year these [days] were appointed a Festival with [the recital of] Hallel and thanksgiving. (Shabbat 21b:10 Translation from Sefaria.com)

The absence of mention of any miracle of oil is a problem for obvious reasons. In terms of the likelihood of such a miracle having taken place, none of this bodes well. If such a miracle really did occur, why is the only place it is mentioned the Gemara and not any of the other sources?

The miraculous oil story seems to be a rabbinic invention transmitted hundreds of years after it allegedly occurred. After the Romans destroyed Jerusalem in 70 CE the Jews were expelled and religious authority was transferred from Temple priests to diaspora rabbis, who came to codify

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MOVIE NIGHT

THE BOY WHO HARNESSED THE WIND

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind is the true story of a young boy in Malawi who, through his interest in science, was able to design a wind turbine to generate electricity and bring water to the crops his community was farming. The community farms were devastated by lack of rain, the deforestation by the government, and the disruptions within the government that imperiled the education systems crucial to the education of young members of the community.

The story, beautifully told by writer-director Chiwetel Ejiofor, based on the story about the young boy, William Kamkwamba.

Watch the movie on Netflix or read the book. Come to the zoom discussion to share your thoughts about generational differences in families; overcoming political strife and its impact on communities; the importance of initiative in combatting injustice. These themes and more resonate with the story of the Maccabee family.

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LIGHT SIX CANDLES

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15 | 7 PM

Sixth night
candlelighting with
Social Action Committee

Did you know?

Antiochus Epiphanes IV was the ruler in Judea at the time of the Maccabees.

Because Hanukkah is such a joyous celebration, people are not allowed to fast during the holiday.

7th Night 2 TEVET / WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

SEVENTH NIGHT ACTIVITIES

LIGHT SEVEN CANDLES | 7 PM

Participate from home as members of the Men's Club light up the night on night number seven.

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BEDTIME STORIES WITH CHAYA

For ages K-6th grade | 7:30 PM

Hearing a great story is fun for all ages. Come in your pajamas, turn up your volume and enjoy the story told by our wonderful Morah Chaya.

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ROSH CHODESH STUDY

Wednesday, December 16 | 8 PM

All are welcome this exploration of Hanukkah texts, from darkness to light, transitions, sacred spaces, and more.

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HANUKKAH AROUND THE WORLD

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16 | 4 PM

Join our Shlichah Yasmin Drescher to learn about celebrating Hanukkah in the Drescher family, in the IDF, in Israel and around the world. Be prepared to learn something new and to share your favorite Hanukkah traditions!

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LIGHT SEVEN CANDLES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16 | 7 PM

Seventh night
candlelighting with
Men's Club

In modern Hebrew the word *menorah* means lamp.

EIGHTH NIGHT ACTIVITIES

LIGHT EIGHT CANDLES | 7 PM

Join members in person or via zoom as members of the Spirituality and Covenantal Relationships Committee (SCORE) light up the last night of Hanukkah.

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COMEDY SHOW

Thursday, December 17 | 8 PM
The Bible Players comedy troop promises to be an evening of laughs, joy and good fun. This is an event adults won't want to miss. See below.
Please register for this FREE show to receive zoom information:
www.agudasachim-va.org/comedy-hanukkah.html
Donations welcome.

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the Babylonian Talmud as a central text of Jewish law, ethics and customs. In the middle of the Talmudic tractate discussing the proper way to light candles on the Sabbath, as a footnote that seems almost an afterthought, the rabbis included a discussion of Hanukkah candlelighting along with a telling of the miracle of the oil.

The main reason that the days of Hanukkah were instituted was to celebrate the victory over the Greeks. However, so that it would not seem that the victory was due only to might and heroism, rather than to Divine Providence, the miracle was denoted by the lighting of the *Menorah*, to show that it was all by a miracle, the war as well.

MODERN MEANING OF MIRACLES

Just as the rabbis of yesterday endowed the holiday with a meaning appropriate for their day and time and their religious theology, Jews today are finding in Hanukkah old and new meanings that resonate strongly. Some emphasize the nationalist and military aspects of Hanukkah, others the Maccabees' role in defending religious freedom, and still others the metaphorical themes of light versus darkness. The rabbinical willingness to reinterpret the historical Hanukkah and endow it with new theological import is echoed in the efforts of today's Jews to reflect and refract the history and texts of Hanukkah to create new images for their own lives.

For more information and resources on Hanukkah, please contact Chaya Silver, csilver@agudasachim-va.org.

LIGHT UP THE NIGHT WITH LAUGHTER

DON'T MISS THIS HUMOROUS HOUR FOR ADULTS

Adults of all ages will enjoy this hilarious Comedy Variety Show! With a mixture of award-winning Stand-up Comedy, Hebrew mistranslation, "Adult" Torah Stories, and interactive improv games, this show builds community and hilarity. We make everyone laugh about Jewish holidays, living in Israel, going to Jewish summer camp, all treated with Kavod/Respect.

The Bible Players are a Torah Comedy team based in New York City, teaching Jewish values and sweeping

the nation! The Bible Players use theater and improv to infuse comedy and laughs into tales from the Torah and beyond.

Since founding The Bible Players in 2011, they have toured America from New York to Texas to California, bringing their unique show to thousands of people of all backgrounds and ages. They have performed in 30 states, and in more than 100 programs a year, all while remaining good looking and humble.

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LIGHT EIGHT CANDLES

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17 | 7 PM

Eighth night candlelighting with SCORE Committee

When it is both
Shabbat and
Hanukkah,
we light the
Festival candles
first!

Songs OF HANUKKAH

Y'MEI HA'HANUKKAH (DAYS OF HANUKKAH)

(AKA HANUKKAH O HANUKKAH)

Hanukkah O Hanukkah, come light the Menorah.
Let's have a party, we'll all dance the hora.
Gather 'round the table, we'll give you a treat.
S'vivon to play with and latkes to eat.

And while we are playing,
The candles are burning low.
One for each night, they shed a sweet light
To remind us of days long ago.

MAOZ TZUR (ROCK OF AGES)

Rock of Ages let our song,
Praise thy saving power;
Thou amidst the raging foes,
Wast our sheltering tower.

Furiously they assailed us,
But Thine arm availed us
And Thy word broke their sword,
When our own strength failed us.
And Thy word broke their sword,
When our own strength failed us.

Hebrew:
Maoz tzur y'shuati
l'cha naeh l'shabeach
Tikon beit t'filati
v'sham todah n'zabeach.

L'eit tachin matbeach
mitzar hamnabeach
Az egmor b'shir mizmor
chanukat hamizbeach
Az egmor b'shir mizmor
chanukat hamizbeach.

מְעוֹז צוּר יְשׁוּעָתִי
לְךָ נִאֶה לְשָׁבַח
תְּכוֹן בֵּית תְּפִלָּתִי
וְשָׁם תּוֹדָה נִזְבַּח.
לַעֲת תְּכִין מִטְּבַח
מִצָּר הַמְּנַבֵּחַ.
אֲז אֶגְמֹר בְּשִׁיר מִזְמוֹר
חֲנֻכַּת הַמִּזְבֵּחַ.

OCHO KANDELIKAS (8 LITTLE CANDLES)

BY FLORY JAGODA

*Hanukah linda sta aki
Ocho kandelas para mi (x2)*

CHORUS:
*Una kandelika, dos kandelikas
Tres kandelikas, quatro kandelikas
Sintyu kandelikas, sej kandelikas
Siete kandelikas, ocho kandelas para mi*

*Muchas fiestas vo fazer
Kon alegria i plazer (x2)*

CHORUS

*Los pastelikos vo kumer
Kon almendrikas i la myel (x2)*

CHORUS

Translation:

Beautiful Hanukkah is here,
Eight candles for me.
One candle, two candles, three candles
Four candles, five candles, six candles
Seven candles, eight candles for me.

I will give many parties with happiness
and pleasure.

I will eat little cakes with almonds and
honey.



In modern Hebrew
the word *menorah*
means lamp.

HANUKKAH

Hanukkah, Hanukkah,
What a lovely holiday!
Cheerful lights around us shine, Chil-
dren have fun and play.

Hebrew:
Hanukkah, Hanukkah
Chag yafeh kol kach
Or chaviv m'saviv
Gil l'yeled rach

חנוכה חנוכה
חג יפה כל כך
אור סביב מסביב
גיל לילד רך

Hanukkah, Hanukkah,
The dreidel spins and spins. Spin your
top until it stops, Have a good time, see
who wins!

Hanukkah, Hanukkah
S'vivon, sov sov
Sov sov sov, sov sov sov
Mah na'im vatov

חנוכה חנוכה
סביבון סוב סוב
סוב סוב סוב
סוב סוב סוב
מה נעים וטוב!

WHO CAN RETELL / MI YEMALEL

Who can retell the things that befell us,
Who can count them?
In every age, a hero or sage
Came to our aid.

Hebrew:
Mi yimalel gevurot Yisrael,
Otan mi yimne?
Hen be'chol dor yakum ha'gibor
Goel ha'am.

מי ימלל גבורות ישראל
אותן מי ימנה
הן בכל דור יקום הגיבור
גואל העם

Hark!
In days of yore in Israel's ancient land
Brave Maccabeus led the faithful band
But now all Israel must as one arise
Redeem itself through deed and sacrifice.

Shma!
Ba'yamim ha'hem ba'zman ha'ze
Maccabi moshia u'fode
U'v'yameinu kol am Yisrael
Yitached yakum ve'yigael!

שמע
בימים ההם בזמן הזה
מכבי מושיע ופודה
ובימינו כל עם ישראל
יתאחד, יקום ויגאל

SIVIVON SOV, SOV, SOV / DREIDEL SPIN, SPIN, SPIN

Dreidel, spin, spin, spin
Chanukah is a great holiday.
Chanukah is a great holiday.
Dreidel, spin, spin, spin.

Hebrew:
Sivivon, sov, sov, sov
Chanukah, hu chag tov
Chanukah, hu chag tov
Sivivon, sov, sov, sov!

סביבון סוב סוב סוב
חנוכה הוא חג טוב
חנוכה הוא חג טוב
סביבון סוב סוב סוב

A holiday of happiness it is for the nation.
A great miracle happened there.
A great miracle happened there.
A holiday of happiness it is for the nation.

Chag simcha hu la-am
Nes gadol haya sham
Nes gadol haya sham
Chag simcha hu la-am.

חג שמחה הוא לעם
נס גדול היה שם
נס גדול היה שם
חג שמחה הוא לעם

Basic Latke Recipe (serves 5)

Ingredients

- 2 1/2 pounds baking potatoes, peeled and coarsely shredded on a box grater
- 1 medium onion coarsely shredded on a box grater
- 2 large eggs, beaten
- 1/4 cup matzo meal
- 2 teaspoons kosher salt
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- Vegetable oil for frying
- Apple sauce and/or sour cream for serving

Preparation

1. In a colander set over a large bowl, toss the potatoes with the onion and squeeze dry. Let the potatoes and onion drain for 2 to 3 minutes, then pour off the liquid in the bowl, leaving the starchy paste at the

bottom. Add the potatoes and onion, along with the eggs, scallions, matzo meal, butter, salt, pepper and baking powder; mix well.

2. In a large skillet, heat an 1/8-inch layer of oil until shimmering. Spoon 1/4-cup mounds of the latke batter into the skillet about 2 inches apart and flatten slightly with a spatula. Fry the latkes over moderately high heat, turning once, until golden and crisp, 5 to 7 minutes. Transfer the latkes to paper towels to drain, then transfer to a platter. Repeat to make the remaining latkes, adding more oil to the skillet as needed. Serve with applesauce and/or sour cream.

MAKE AHEAD

The latkes can be fried early in the day; re-crisp on a baking sheet in a 350° oven.

CINNAMON-GINGER APPLESAUCE

Ingredients

- 4-5 large apples, peeled, cored, and diced (I used 4 gigantic Fujis)
- About 1 cup water
- 2 Tablespoons cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 cinnamon stick
- 1" piece of fresh ginger, peeled
- 2 Tablespoons maple syrup (optional)
- Dash of nutmeg (optional)

Preparation

Add all ingredients to a large saucepan. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to a simmer. Let simmer about 30 minutes, or until mixture is thick and not runny. Remove from heat and let cool slightly.

Remove cinnamon stick and fresh ginger and add sauce to the bowl of a food processor. Pulse until it reaches the consistency you like (you can let it run until totally smooth or pulse it to leave a few large chunks of apple).

GINGER ALE APPLESAUCE

Ingredients

- 1 can (12 oz.) Seagram's Ginger Ale, room temperature
- 6 apples
- 1 1/2 tablespoons cinnamon

Preparation

1. Wash then peel (optional) and core the apples. Cut the cored apples into 1/2 inch chunks.
2. Add the apples to the slow cooker.
3. Pour the Ginger Ale over the apple chunks, taking care to cover them evenly. Sprinkle the cinnamon over the apples and ginger ale.
4. Cover the slow cooker and cook on low heat for 6-8 hours.
5. After the apples have cooked for 6-8 hours, mash them gently with a fork. The more you mash the finer the texture of your applesauce.



Best Apples For Applesauce

For a basic applesauce, use McIntosh and Golden Delicious apples. Golden Delicious is a softer apple variety, so it cooks down easily and provides a great foundation for your applesauce. McIntosh apples are fresh and crisp, but soften easily, making them a stellar choice for pies and sauces. For a fresh combination, try a mix of McIntosh, Honeycrisp, Granny Smith, Fuji, and Jonagold apples.

Sweet: Golden Delicious, Fuji, Honeycrisp

Moderately Sweet: McIntosh, Jonagold, Granny Smith

Tart: Jonathan, Cortland

Sufganiyot / Doughnuts (makes 30)

Ingredients:

- 3/4 cup warm water (about 110 degrees)
- 3 1/2 teaspoons active dry yeast
- 2 large eggs
- 1/2 cup whole milk
- 3 tablespoons margarine or unsalted butter, melted
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar, plus 2 tablespoons for coating
- 4 cups bread flour, plus more for dusting
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 8 cups canola oil, for frying, plus more for greasing
- Powdered sugar, for topping

Filling

- 18 oz. jar of your favorite jam

Preparation

1. Pour the water into a medium bowl or large liquid measuring cup and sprinkle the yeast over the top. Let stand for about 5 minutes, until foamy.
2. Add the eggs, milk, melted butter, and sugar, and whisk to combine.
3. In a large bowl, whisk together the flour and salt.
4. Pour the wet ingredients into the dry ingredients, stirring with a flexible spatula to form a shaggy dough. Turn the dough out onto a clean surface and use your hands to knead until it comes together in a smooth ball, about 2 minutes.

5. Grease a clean large bowl with canola oil. Transfer the dough to the greased bowl and cover tightly with plastic wrap. Let the dough rise in a warm place until doubled in size, about 1 hour.
6. Punch the dough down with your fist, then turn it out onto a lightly floured surface.
7. Roll the dough into a large rectangle, about 1/4 inch (6 mm) thick. With a sharp knife, cut the dough into 2-inch (5 cm) squares, then transfer the squares to a baking sheet lined with parchment paper.
8. Heat the canola oil in a large pot over medium-high heat until it reaches 350°F (180°C).
9. Lower the dough squares, 3-4 at a time, into the hot oil. As soon as the beignets puff up, use tongs or a kitchen spider to gently flip them over. Fry until golden brown on both sides, flipping as needed, 2-3 minutes more. Transfer the beignets to a wire rack to drain.
10. Pulse jam in a food processor until smooth (this will make it easier to pipe). Scrape jam into piping bag fitted with 1/4" tip*. Insert tip into top of sufganiyot and gently fill until jam just pokes out of hole. Dust with powdered sugar just before serving.

*Don't have a piping bag? With a toothpick, make a shallow hole in the doughnut, then use a plastic bag with a 1/4" opening cut diagonally from 1 corner.

11. Dust the beignets with powdered sugar and serve warm.

MENORAH MARTINI

For 1 Drink

Ingredients

- 3 oz. vodka
- 1/2 oz. sweet vermouth
- Splash of blue curacao
- Blueberries, for garnish

Preparation

1. Chill and rim 2 martini glasses with sugar.
2. Fill a mixing glass with ice, pour up the vodka, sweet vermouth and shake things up.
3. Strain into martini glasses, splash in some blue curacao and garnish with a few blueberries.

THE DANCING DREIDEL

For 1 Drink

Ingredients

- 2 ounces Hpnotiq Liqueur
- 2 ounces white wine
- 1 ounce ginger ale

Preparation

Build the ingredients by pouring Hpnotiq, white wine, then ginger ale in a Champagne flute.

Activities FOR HANUKKAH

HANUKKAH IN THE DMV

A SAMPLING OF HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

HANUKKAH STORYTIME

Where: Zoom with Hurray for Books

When: December 6 | 1 PM

Admission: Free

Join author Laura Gehl for an interactive Hanukkah storytime via Zoom featuring her new book HAPPY LLAMAKKAH!

Laura will read the story, followed by Hanukkah and llama trivia and other interactive fun for ages 0-8. Register here to receive the Zoom link:

www.eventbrite.com/e/happy-llamakka-storytime-tickets-129232117743.

EIGHT NIGHTS OF LIGHTS - VIRTUAL LIGHTING CEREMONIES

Where: Zoom - Edlavitch DC Jewish Community Center - Pozez Jewish Community Center of NoVa - Bender Jewish Community Center of GW

When: December 10-17 | 5:30 PM (4:30 PM on Friday, December 11)



BIM BOM BAG (CHANUKAH)

Explore Jewish Themes & Holidays with Bender JCC

Where: Zoom

When: December 10 | 4 PM

The Bender JCCGW presents a bag-tastic and exciting opportunity to learn about Jewish customs and holidays through arts & crafts, stories, and discussions.

When you sign up, the JCC will deliver Jewish themed arts & crafts activities to your door to work on independently with your kid(s). A few days later we will get together over zoom and share our creative crafts, read a story, and learn cool facts about the Jewish topic. This program is perfect for children 3+ years old.

PJ LIBRARY EVENTS

Lots of events through PJ Library: <https://www.jconnect.org/families/pj-chanukah-events/#chanukah>

VIRTUAL HANUKKAH PARTY

Where: Sixth and I Synagogue

When: December 10, 7pm

Virtual party includes Hanukkah songs, games, and menorah lighting

MENORAH LIGHTING

WHAT IS A HANUKKIAH?

The special 9-branched candelabra lit only for Hanukkah.

Where: The Wharf | Southwest DC

When: December 10-18, 5-6pm

Admission: Free

The Wharf is continuing the annual tradition of lighting the menorah in District Square for each night of Hanukkah — join to celebrate the Festival of Lights!

NATIONAL MENORAH LIGHTING

Where: President's Park | The National Ellipse, DC

When: December 10 | 4 PM

Admission: Free, tickets required

This is the Jewish counterpart to the National Christmas Tree Lighting. Every Hanukkah, the National Menorah is lit in a ceremony on the Ellipse. Usually, along with the lighting, there is live entertainment, menorah kits and dreidels to take home, and latkes and donuts. This year, details about those festivities are TBD. Tickets are free, but required and may be ordered in advance through the website, nationalmenorah.org/event-page/.

Silly Songs of Hanukkah

In addition to the traditional Hanukkah songs, there are many parodies. Here are few; more may be found online.

"A HAMILTON CHANUKAH"

(WITH INTRODUCTION FROM PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA)

By Six13

www.youtube.com/watch?v=qWcd-K8_X34

"HANUKKAH IN SANTA MONICA"

By Tom Lehrer

www.youtube.com/watch?list=RDLslsgH3-UFU&v=LslsgH3-UFU&feature=emb_rel_end

"CHANUKAH JEWISH ROCK OF AGES—OFFICIAL HANUKKAH SONG"

Aish Video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KyKWUpSMegE&feature=emb_title

"IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE HANUKKAH"

(PARODY OF "IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS")

By Brennen Tyler

www.youtube.com/watch?v=SYyfQEJuyMI&feature=emb_title

"CANDLELIGHT"

By The Maccabeats

www.youtube.com/watch?v=qSJCSR4MuhU&feature=emb_title