



# *Kiddush L'vana*

1. First we make Havdalah
2. Then we take our mobile devices and go outdoors so we can see the moon
3. We recite and sing the Kiddush L'vana liturgy
4. If we have mourners with us, we recite Mourner's Kaddish. Two versions are attached.
5. We sing "moon" songs.


**BLESSING OF THE NEW MOON**

The Jewish year and its Festivals are based upon the lunar calendar. The first of the month (Rosh Hodesh) is celebrated as a special day, with its own liturgy. Rosh Hodesh is announced in the synagogue on the Shabbat which precedes it, with a special prayer for life in the new month. The sight of the new moon which has reappeared is another occasion for celebrating this aspect of Creation, and our awareness of it, by expressing gratitude for the renewal of life, and hopefulness for the future.

**BLESSING OF THE NEW MOON**


The blessing of the new moon takes place out of doors, in sight of the moon, preferably with a minyan, between the third day and the fifteenth day of the lunar month. In the month of Av it is recited after Tisha B'av. In the month of Tishrei it is recited after Yom Kippur.

**2** Rabbi Yohanan: Whoever blesses the new moon at the proper time is considered as having welcomed the presence of the Shekhinah.

**4** Halleluyah. Praise the Lord from the heavens. Praise Him, angels on high. Praise Him, sun and moon and all shining stars. Praise Him, highest heavens. Let them praise the glory of the Lord at whose command they were created, at whose command they endure forever and by whose laws nature abides.

PSALM 148:1-6

**6** Praised are You, Lord our God, King of the universe whose word created the heavens, whose breath created all that they contain. Statues and seasons He set for them, that they should not deviate from their assigned task. Happily, gladly they do the will of their Creator, whose work is dependable. To the moon He spoke: renew yourself, crown of glory for those who were borne in the womb, who also are destined to be renewed and to extol their Creator for His glorious sovereignty. Praised are You, Lord who renews the months. David, King of Israel, lives and endures.

Greetings are exchanged:

—Shalom aleikhem.  
—Aleikhem Shalom.

May good fortune be ours, and blessing for the whole House of Israel.

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**1** אמר רבי יוחנן: כל-המקריח את-החודש בוזמנו פאלו מקרב פני השכינה.

**3** הללויה. הללו את-יהוה מן השמים, הללוהו בפרזמיום. הללוהו כל-מלאכייו, הללוהו כל-צבאייו. הללוהו שמי השמים, והמנים אשר מעל השמים. יהללו את-שם יהוה, כי הוא צנה ונבראו. ויעמידם לעד לעולם, חק נמן ולא יעבור.

**5** פרוף אמה יהוה אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר במאמרו פרא שחקים, וברות פיו כל-צבאם. חק וזמן נמן להם שלא ישנו את-תפקודם. ששים ושמחים לעשות רצון קונם, פועל אמת שפעלתו אמת. וללכנה אמר שתתחודש עטרת תפארת לעמוטי בטון, שיהם עתידים להתחודש כמותה, ולפאר ליוצגם על שם פבור מלכותו. פרוף אמה יהוה, מחודש חודשים.

דוד מלך ישראל חי וקיים.

Greetings are exchanged:

שלום עליכם.  
— עליכם שלום.

**9** ספון טוב ומזל טוב יהיה לנו ולכל-ישראל. אמן.

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Yigadal v'yitkadash sh'mei raba b'alma di v'ra khir'utei, v'yamlikh  
malkhutei b'hayeikhon u-v'yomeikhon u-v'hayei d'khol beiti yisrael,  
ba-agala u-vi-z'man kariv v'imru amen.

וְיִגְדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵי רַבָּא בְּעֵלְמָא דִּי בְּרָא כְּרְעוּתְהוּ, וְיַמְלִיךְ  
מַלְכוּתְהוּ בְּחַיֵּיכּוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכּוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכּוֹל בֵּיתֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל, בְּעֵגְלָא  
וּבְזִמְנֵי קָרִיב, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

Congregation and mourner:

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Y'hei sh'mei raba m'vorakh l'alam u-l'almei almaya.

יְהִי שְׁמֵי רַבָּא מְבֹרָךְ לְעֵלְמֵי וּלְעֵלְמֵי עֲלַמְיָא.

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Yibarakh v'yishtabah v'yipar'ar v'yitromam v'yitnasei, v'yit-hadar  
v'yit'aleh v'yit-hadal sh'mei d'kadsha, b'r'ikh hu l'ela (l'ela mi-kol)  
min kol birkhata v'shirata, tushb'hatata v'nehemata da-amiran b'alma,  
v'imru amen.

וְיִבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִיפָּרַעַר וְיִיטְרַמַּם וְיִיטְנַסֵּי, וְיִיטְהַדַּר וְיִיטְהַעֲלִיד  
וְיִיטְהַדַּל שְׁמֵי דְקַדְשָׁא, בְּרִיךְ הוּא לְעֵלְמָא (לְעֵלְמָא מִכָּל-) מִן  
כָּל-בְּרִיחָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא, תּוּשְׁבְּחַתָּא וְנִהְמַתָּא דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעֵלְמָא,  
וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

Y'hei sh'lama raba min sh'maya v'hayim aleinu v'al kol yisrael,  
v'imru amen.

יְהִי שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים עֲלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל-יִשְׂרָאֵל,  
וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

Oseh shalom bi-m'romav, hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu v'al kol yisrael,  
v'imru amen.

עוֹשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרְוּמָיו, הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם עֲלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל-  
יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

תְּפִילָּה בְּמִקוּם קָדִישׁ  
*Prayer in Place of  
Mourner's Kaddish  
When a Minyan Is Not Present*

*Mourners and those observing  
Yahrzeit recite aloud:*

רְבוּנוּ שֶׁל עוֹלָם,  
אֱלֹהֵי הַרוּחֹת לְכֹל בָּשָׂר

Ribbono shel olam,  
elohei ha-ruhot l'khol basar —

Master of the world, God  
of the spirit of all flesh, it is  
revealed and known before  
You that it is my fervent desire  
to praise Your name, and to  
remember and honor my  
beloved:

*father/mother/son/daughter/  
husband/wife/partner/  
brother/sister/\_\_\_\_\_*  
*[the name and relation of the  
person may be inserted]*

by reciting the Mourner's  
Kaddish in the company of a  
*minyan*. May my presence here  
today with my community  
find favor in Your eyes, and be  
accepted and received before  
You as if I had prayed the Kad-  
dish. May Your name, Adonai,  
be elevated and sanctified  
everywhere on earth and may  
peace reign everywhere.

*All who are present respond:*

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מְלַכְהוּתוֹ  
לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

Barukh shem k'vod malkhuto  
l'olam va-ed.

Praised be the name of the one  
whose glorious sovereignty is  
forever and ever.

*Together:*

עֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרְמָיו  
הוּא יַעֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ  
וְעַל כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל [וְעַל כָּל־  
יוֹשְׁבֵי תֵבֵל], וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.

Oseh shalom bimromav  
hu ya-aseh shalom aleinu  
v'al kol yisrael [v'al kol  
yosh'vei teiveil], v'imru amen.