



Judea Reform Congregation Building Reopening Plan

Recommendation to Judea Reform Leadership as of August 13, 2021

In April 2021, Judea Reform Congregation adopted a reopening plan.

The plan was based in science, guided by professionals at the front lines of the pandemic, and with renewed commitment to our Jewish values of *Pikuach Nefesh* (preserving human life) and *Tikkun Olam* (repairing the world).

Members of the task force, in conjunction with members of staff and with the President of Judea Reform, have been meeting regularly to monitor community metrics, and to continually update the recommended protocols as metrics changed.

With the advent of the Delta variant of the COVID virus, and with the metrics available to us, the reopening task force is formally recommending that as of August 13th, 2021, Judea Reform return to virtual services for Shabbat until those metrics change. In addition, the task force recommends that High Holy Day Services be virtual. While congregants might make different individual decisions about their participation, the rapid and alarming rise of the Delta variant - as well as the risk it poses to both vaccinated and unvaccinated people - causes us to act for the greater good of the congregation.