

# BHT Reopening Committee Update

## (11/03/20)

In keeping with Jewish ethics, the Beth Hillel Temple COVID Reopening Committee believes that Beth Hillel's highest value should always be *pikuach nefesh*, the saving of a life, and that keeping our activities remote is the best way to show: *V'ahavta l'rei'echa kamocho*, Love your neighbor as yourself; care for our own health and the health of others.

Due to the current surge of COVID cases in Southeast Wisconsin and Northern Illinois, the Temple will not reopen to congregants or to the general public.

Construction workers will be allowed in the building to start work in the sanctuary and the kitchen in a socially distanced manner.

If the COVID positive rate in our area is 10% or less for 2 weeks, some volunteers will be allowed in the building for specific purposes. They will be required to use masks and follow strict social distancing guidelines. Until there is a significant change in the COVID positive rate and a flattening of the curve in our area, the Temple will not be open for adult / children programming or services inside the building.

BHT Office Manager, Philipp Butnik, will continue to work out of the Temple office, but the building is closed to other members. Drop off and pick up will be allowed by pre-arrangement only. Rabbi Feingold will continue to work from home. As always, she can be reached through email and voicemail at the temple office.

Your understanding is appreciated.

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