

לָךְ עָמִי בָּא בְּחַדְרֵיךָ וּסְגֹר דְלַתְךָ בְּעַדְךָ חֲבִי כְּמַעַט־רָגַע עַד־יֵעָבֵר זַעַם
“Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you;
hide yourselves for a little while until this wrath has passed by.”
(Isaiah 26:20)

The holiest work we can do is to protect each other. We all must continue to pull together to honor the spirit of Pikuach Nefesh, preserving life.

Since July, we have striven to balance the obligation to preserve health with the need to meet our community’s social and spiritual needs. We strive to be careful and deliberate with every decision we make.

Toward that goal, we established our Corona Virus Committee, chaired by Joe Dunn, which includes clergy, the education staff, medical advisors, facilities advisors and members of our synagogue with other relevant expertise. The committee evaluates the situation in our area and makes recommendations to safely gather as a TBT community.

On November 13, 2020 Gov. Brian Kemp extended Georgia’s current COVID-19 restrictions. The committee convened to review TBT’s present practices and evaluate if a broader opening was advisable. It was determined that with the concern for rising contagion in our area schools, for now TBT will continue with the established hybrid of predominantly on-line services and programs, with regular, yet limited, small group outdoor activities for in-person social and educational gatherings.

Following Thanksgiving and Hanukkah, the committee will reconvene to determine if we can safely expand on our in-person offerings after the first of the year.

