



March 16, 2020

Dear Temple Sinai Family and Friends,

In the Talmud we learn "*Kol Yisrael areivim ze ba-zeh*" – "We are all responsible for one another." Our Temple Sinai family and staff are responsible for one another. Indeed, public health and concern for others is our sacred responsibility. Accordingly, in keeping with the latest CDC recommendations, Temple Sinai has made the following accommodations which are effective immediately and will run at least through March 29:

- Temple Sinai office and building are closed to public access.
- Extend Preschool and Religious School Spring Break through at least March 29.
- All in-person programs are cancelled. We will be offering online educational, social and worship services. Stay tuned for more information.
- All Worship services will be livestreamed only. Visit www.sinaidever.org for updates and streaming information.
- Emergency Lifecycle events may be held Temple Sinai at the discretion of the Rabbi.
- In keeping with our Jewish values, our teachers and staff will continue to receive their compensation and salaries.
- Our Rabbis and staff continue to be available to you. Please call the Temple or Preschool office and someone will get back to you.

Unfortunately, the COVID-19 is forcing us to separate from one another. This isolation can make us feel that we are alone and unconnected from the people we cherish in our community.

Please be assured that the Temple Sinai staff and leadership have been working tirelessly to create online programming and meaningful ways to stay connected. We will be sending

additional scheduling information soon.

In order to maintain the financial support for our vulnerable teachers and staff, we will not be offering refunds for Religious School or Preschool.

We will continue to be guided by the recommendations of our public health authorities and will update regularly. **Rabbi Rheins and a member of the Temple Sinai Board of Trustees will be available for a live Q&A on Tuesday, March 17, at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom.** Click here to join the webinar - <https://zoom.us/j/536976291>

B'vrakhah, with blessings,

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