

Schedule and Policies for Reopening Kerem Shalom

Approved by Kerem Shalom's Board of Directors

June 3, 2021

SCHEDULE:

Phase 1: Begins the week of June 7.

- Staff returns to the building.
- Small member meetings

Phase 2: Begins the week of June 25.

- June 25: In-person services can resume

Phase 3: Begins the week July 1.

- In-person erev Shabbat summer services (July 9, July 23, August 6, and August 2 all at 7:30 PM)

Phase 4: Begins the week of September 1.

- All Kerem Shalom youth learning programs are planned to have in-person learning this fall. Protocols to ensure the safety of all our students will align with state and local guidelines. Families with school-aged children will be receiving communications from Rabbi Sam Pollak, our Director of Community Learning.

GUIDELINES:

For indoor services:

- Services will be available virtually. The decision to attend in person should be a matter of individual responsibility and choice.
- Masks will be worn by all who attend services and other events with the exception of folks on the bima.
- People can pull down their masks briefly if needed for communication with the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, for lip-reading purposes.
- For the time being, any oneg will be outdoors.

For small meetings of members held indoors

- Room reservations are required – contact Robyn Barabe, the Synagogue Administrator.
- Attendees at meetings and adult programming events should wear masks. If all in attendance are vaccinated, groups of up to 20 people may decide to shed their masks.
- Small groups of vaccinated are permitted to eat together in the building.

For staff working indoors

- Vaccinated staff may work in the building without masks.

For all outdoor activities

- For outdoor only events face masks are not required if unvaccinated people or families can maintain a minimum of 3 feet distance from others.

ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES

As a reminder, people should not return to in-person activities if they have tested positive for COVID-19 in the prior 10 days or are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and people should report if they become positive after attending an event. Anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 within 10 days of attending an event at Kerem Shalom should notify the temple office.

We strongly recommend that all those returning to the synagogue be vaccinated. It should be stressed that wearing masks is for the safety of everyone, not just those wearing them.

We appreciate everyone's patience during this continuously evolving period. Please note that guidelines may change if circumstances or government policies change.