

Beth El Shabbat Service Re-Opening Protocols

Reservations are REQUIRED for in-person attendance at services and must be made **no later than noon on the Thursday before the service** by completing the Sign-Up Genius and emailing the signed waiver to noelle@bethelnorfolk.com. **The limit for congregants will be 50 people**, to include the Rabbi, Cantor, Gabbai, Officer and any participants in the service. Services for Tot Shabbat and Junior Congregation will be planned for a future time. Children must always remain with parents in the shul. Any infants must be in a body carrier and will not count in the number – no carriers or strollers will be allowed in shul.

- **For all Shabbat services, reservations through the Sign-Up Genius are required no later than NOON the Thursday before the service. Only reservations received through the Sign-up Genius will be accepted.**

In addition, the Temple office must have your signed waiver on file for in-person attendance.

Those who are interested in attending Shabbat services in-person will need to commit to the following:

- Arrive **no later than 9:20 am** (which is 10 minutes before the 9:30 start time of services) and remain until the service concludes by no later than 11:30 am. **An officer and board member will be on duty for services to help with any concern.**
- Undergo temperature check (no admittance if temperature above 100.4°) and answer questions.
- Bring own kippa, tallit and water bottle (water fountain will not be accessible for safety reasons)
- **Wear mask that covers both the mouth and nose for entire service**
- Sit only in designated seats, spaced throughout the sanctuary; sanitized prayer books will be provided at each seat and you may pick up Chumashim in the back of the sanctuary.

To make sure in-person attendees are safe, we are taking the following precautions:

- Entry / exit **will only be** through the main Sanctuary doors
- Zedd Lobby Sanctuary doors will remain open throughout services
- Pulpit lecterns and reader's table are outfitted with plexiglass shields to prevent aerosolization
- Bathrooms, sanctuary seats that were occupied and surrounding areas, as well as railings, etc. will all be sanitized each week
- A Board Member will direct you where to sit, and the rabbi will give directions on how to exit.

TORAH SERVICE:

- Congregants taking aliyot will stand on the floor in front of the Bimah
- Torah readers may read in person in the sanctuary or on ZOOM
- Torah readers in the sanctuary must wear gloves
- The Torah will be placed on the table before the services begin and will not be returned to the ark during the service

For the safety of our Rabbi, lay leaders, employees and congregants, **there will be no admittance to Shabbat services without a prior reservation and a signed waiver on file.**

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

MINYAN SIGN UP GUIDELINES

- **Minyan will be in the main sanctuary, not the chapel**
- **All the above protocols apply, with the exception that you must arrive by 7:05. The door will be locked at 7:15.**
- **For both minyan services (Monday and Thursday), you MUST sign-up by noon on the Thursday before.**
- **We MUST have your signed waiver on file in the office.**