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Dear Fellow Congregants,

After careful deliberation, the Board of Trustees of TBH has decided to respond to changing CDC guidelines regarding appropriate COVID precautions that should be in place on a community level. We will immediately suspend our mandatory mask requirements for all visitors to TBH. This will NOT apply to the Early Childhood Learning Center who will continue to maintain strict COVID precautions, including mandatory masking in the ECLC school wing. Please note that some temple staff may still prefer that visitors to their offices/ workspace continue to wear masks. Signs will be posted where masking is still necessary. Please respect their wishes and continue to wear masks in spaces so designated. We will continue a vigorous program of cleaning and sanitation in the temple and still suggest that social distancing be practiced where practicable. We will be re-starting our Friday night Oneg Shabbat, following the evening service, outside in the temple courtyard. Hopefully, this will make everyone more comfortable in having maskless social interactions.

However, we will be monitoring the COVID risk category for Martin County, as prescribed by the CDC. If we return to a high risk category, we will evaluate the necessity of re-instituting stricter COVID precautions. This may include a return to mandatory masking.

I know that some temple members may be uncomfortable being in the presence of unmasked congregants. I have tried to strike a balance between all congregants concerns and view-points on this matter and I am ultimately using the CDC for guidance. We will continue to stream our temple services, hold outside beach shabbats and entertain alternate forms of Shabbat Services that allow for safe distancing.

B'shalom,

Karl Drehobl MD  
President  
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