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My Fellow Adath Israel Congregants,

I'm writing to you again to provide the latest update on the evolving situation with the coronavirus. Adath Israel is diligently monitoring the situation and is being proactive with our response. Your Officers, Clergy, Executive Committee, and Board of Trustees are fully supportive of the actions being taken, below.

The actions below are supplementary to the ones described in my letter to you of March 13:

- 1. All Religious Services, and related religious activities, such as Oneg Shabbat and Kiddush, have been cancelled until it is safe to resume these activities.**
2. Instead of in-person services, we will hold morning minyan via teleconference and save the date for our first **Sharing Shabbat: Adath's Interactive Call-in this Friday, March 20th at 5:30 PM. Check your email for details.**
3. Bar and Bat Mitzvahs are being postponed until it is safe to have them.
4. Religious School will be closed until the state of New Jersey deems it safe to resume these activities. Distance learning options are being explored.
5. The office staff respectfully requests that synagogue business be conducted by phone or email. If you need to come to the office, please call in advance to make sure that someone is available to help you.
6. Kosher Café meals are provided as a takeout service only, and will be distributed by the front door. Café Europa, and Memory Café programs are cancelled.
7. Organizations which rent space from Adath have cancelled their meetings.
8. Bridge Academy has suspended its classes until the state of New Jersey deems it safe to resume them.
9. Board and Committee meetings will be conducted as virtual meetings (video or call-in) until further notice.
10. MOSAIC events such as the Bucks Broadway Connection and the Ellis Island hardhat tour are postponed, and are expected to be rescheduled. If you have already paid for either event, your money will be refunded. Torah Fund dinner and One Book One Jewish Community have been postponed to a future date. The Yom HaShoah program has been cancelled.
11. We are communicating with the Pearlstone Retreat Center to discuss our options for the Kallah Retreat. We will update you when we have more information.
12. The Board of Trustees is currently calling all Adath members to connect and check in to see if anyone needs anything during this difficult time.

Should the need arise, you can be sure that Adath Israel, its clergy and resources are available to support its community of members. We are grateful for your understanding and continued support during this potentially difficult time for our nation and our beloved Adath Israel.

Thank you,

Abe Abramovich
President