Tefilla Procedure Details

This section outlines some of the finer procedural details relating to minyanim and tefilla.

- 1.1. Tefillot will begin and end at the usual places in the Siddur.
- 1.2. For reasons of social distancing and physical contact awareness, Torah reading will be conducted as follows:
 - 1.2.1. The Ba'al Koreh will remove the Torah from the Aron Kodesh (without kissing it) and place it on the bimah.
 - 1.2.2. The Ba'al Koreh will be the only person standing at the bimah and will conduct each call up and a short-form mi'sheberach.
 - 1.2.3. Each person who is called up will approach the bimah, stand on the other end of the bimah at least 1.5m from the Ba'al Koreh, and will recite the berachot after glancing at the Torah text. They will then return to their seat immediately after their Aliyah.
 - 1.2.4. At the end of the Torah Reading, the Ba'al Koreh will do Hagbah and Gelilah by himself and return the Torah to the Aron Kodesh.
- 1.3. There will be no dancing around the Bimah (or anywhere else) at any time for any reason.
- 1.4. Tefillot, with the exception of Shabbat, will be streamed live via the usual Zoom link. Those that connect to the minyan via Zoom are considered to be davening b'tzibbur (with the community) and may answer Amen, etc. at the appropriate places.
- 1.5. Kaddish and Barechu, like all Devarim shebiKedusha, may only be recited in the physical presence of a minyan. For this reason, those that need to recite kaddish (e.g. Aveilim, Yarzheits, etc.) will be given priority of attendance at the shule minyan.
- 1.6. Shabbat Torah Reading The first Shabbat minyan will be conducted on 13th June, Parshat Beha'alotecha.

The rabbis have discussed the Halachic issues at length and have decided that missed Torah Readings will not be made up. For details regarding this Halachic decision please contact your rabbi.