

TEMPLE EMANU-EL



April 28, 2019

Dear Temple Emanu-El Congregants,

In the wake of the tragedy on Saturday April 27th, we would like to let everyone know that we stand in solidarity with the San Diego and Poway Jewish Community We mourn the life that was cut way too short. We pray for the recovery of the 3 injured victims. This unfortunate tragedy is exactly six months from the deadly shooting at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh. We are saddened by the hate and will do our utmost to encourage a world where loving kindness is the ultimate goal.

We want to reassure everyone that comes to Temple Emanu-El that all security measures are in place. During all services and events there is always an armed guard. All doors, that enter the synagogue, are locked at all times. In order to enter the building you must be buzzed in. We have a video security system throughout the Temple with cameras. These cameras have been utilized by the Miami Beach Police Department for assisting in arrests for neighboring violations. We are presently looking into any additional measures we may need in order to make our Synagogue a safer place to be. Our goal is to be as vigilant as possible.

The Muss Family Montessori School at Temple Emanu-El has also taken measures to step up their security. They have two armed security guards whenever school is in session.

We are very grateful to the Miami Beach Police Department who have made Temple Emanu-El an important part of their patrols. There have been officers making their rounds and sitting outside of the Temple.

If anyone has a question or concern please feel free to contact any of us. Hopefully there will never come a time when any of the precautions we have taken will be necessary, but in this day and time we need to be prepared.

Safety is our priority.

Thanks,

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