

Kol Ami is excited to introduce in-person, outdoor Tot Shabbat on Saturday, May 15th!!

We understand how hard the last 16 months have been on families – especially families with little ones -- and we want you to know that we share and understand your frustration. Tot Shabbat on Zoom simply didn't work for everyone and was definitely not ideal. With that in mind, Kol Ami has come up with a plan to begin holding Tot Shabbat in-person in a safe, socially-distanced manner at a public park. Of course, if the weather doesn't cooperate, we will need to revert back to a Zoom service. But if the sun shines or is struggling to shine, we plan to meet outdoors to share Shabbat morning prayers, songs, stories, traditions and joy.

With that in mind, when meeting in-person, we will be asking each participating Tot Shabbat family to adhere to the following safety guidelines:

- 1) Families shall maintain a 6 ft distance from each other; the Tot Shabbat leader shall maintain a 15 ft distance while singing.
- 2) Please bring your own picnic blanket or something to lay out and sit on. Your blanket will become your base, and we will ask families to stay on their base (or distanced even further away with family supervision) for the duration of Tot Shabbat. Picnic blankets of separate families must be placed at least 6 feet apart.
- 3) All adults are expected to wear a mask. All children over 2 years old are also expected to wear a mask.
- 4) Please refrain from eating during Tot Shabbat time. You are welcome to stay afterwards and enjoy snacks or a meal, but this will not be part of the program.
- 5) Registration will be required for Tot Shabbat so that we have a firm idea of who will be in attendance. The location of Tot Shabbat will be disclosed in the email confirming registration. The number of families registering for Tot Shabbat may be limited to ensure we can maintain social distance between families.

We look forward to sharing Shabbat with you! Please register for Tot Shabbat on Saturday, May 15th, by following the link below:

<https://www.kolamivirginia.org/in-person-tot-shabbat-registration/>