

4.16.2020 Weekly Update

Reyna Pratt, Chair of the Building Project Task Force, provides our updates as construction progresses.

Wow, the construction team is working hard. There were about 60 workers on site this past Tuesday! With us out of the building, they can have simultaneous teams in each of the different construction “zones”, including the clergy/classroom addition, the Small Sanctuary addition, the demolition and reconstruction of the administrative offices, the construction of the school lobby, the Youth Lounge, and all of the offices for Nursery School, Religious School, and Camp.

The picture below was taken from the site of our future playground looking at the clergy/classroom addition. You can see the location of a balcony on the upper floor. I have a vision of clergy stepping out onto the balcony to enjoy the view of the landscaping and to watch the children playing on all the fun equipment that will be back there.



The picture below shows the Small Sanctuary taken from the small circle. The outside is clearly not finished (spoiler alert – there will be Jerusalem stone on the outside)! However, you can see where the vestibule will be and how the roof will look from the outside. The green boards on the roof are “Structural Insulated Panels” (SIPs) that provide the support for the roofing material with insulation in between. One of our architects refers to these boards as “triple stuffed Oreos”!



We hope that this great work can continue, but we know that this can change at a moment's notice. We can only hope for the best, and we will keep you posted, of course.

As always, please reach out if you have any questions: bptf@templerodefshalom.org