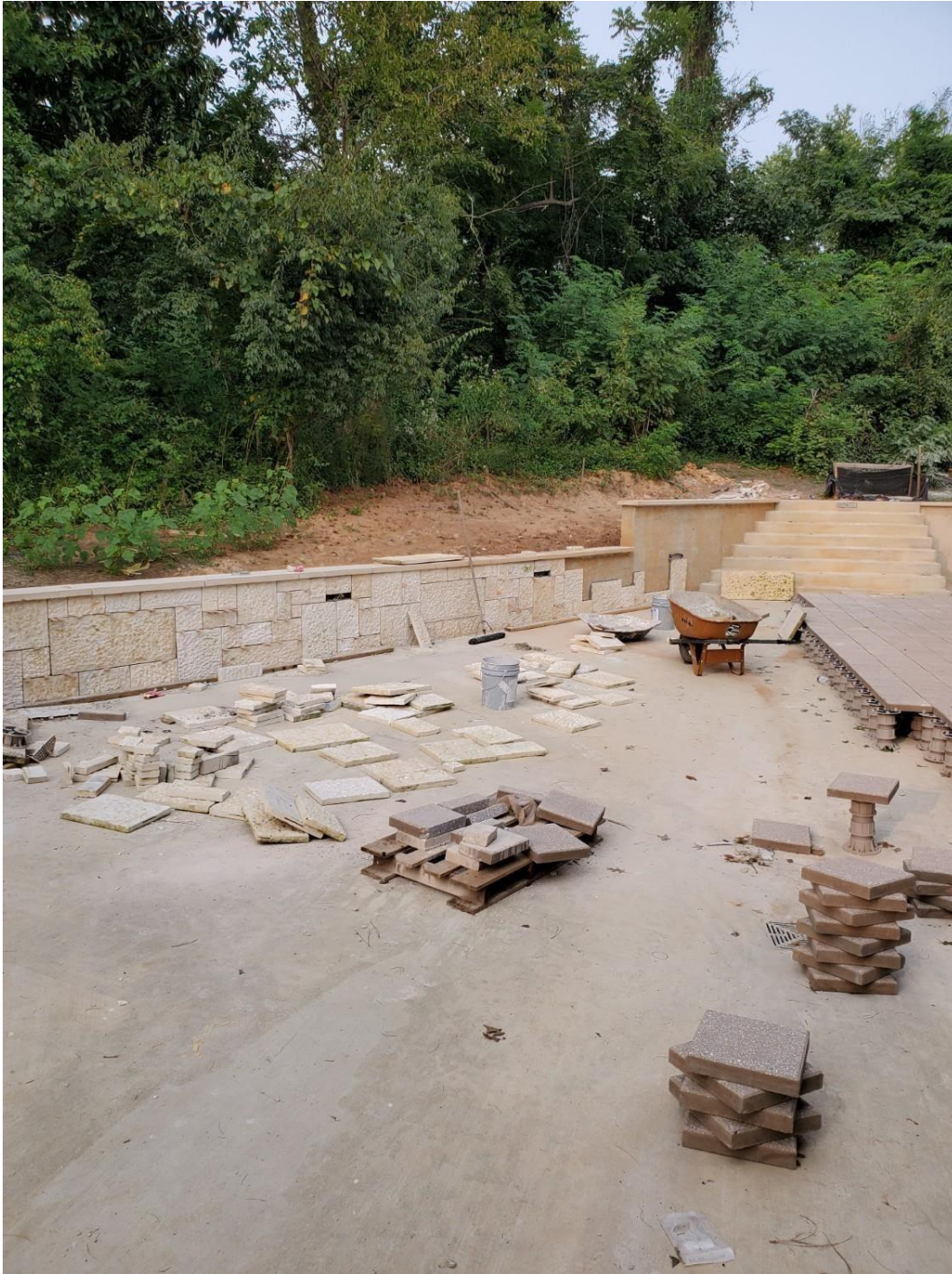


Weekly Update 9.17.2020

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

I am delighted to bring you an update on the terrace behind the Small Sanctuary. Below is a picture of the wall that is being covered by Jerusalem stone. All of the Jerusalem stone for the back patio wall is from 20 years ago. How cool is that? There were 6 large pieces left, and they are cutting the smaller pieces to work with the large ones. The masons do amazing work! (Sometimes hoarding can work in your favor...)



This next picture shows the progress being made on the pavers that are being laid out for the terrace. It's fun to see how it's all put together, don't you think?



As of this writing, we are told that we are about eight weeks from completion of the project. (Please don't hold us to this, however, as anything can happen in the world of construction.) We are super excited to show you every part of our new spaces (and there are plans in the work to make that happen, while following COVID protocols). **HOWEVER, with the exception of the large sanctuary, PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE REST OF THE BUILDING YET!!** Some of you may be coming to meditate or have a private moment at the ark for the holidays (make sure you register ahead of time at this link here). When you come to TRS, please only enter the sanctuary (and follow the COVID protocols). Please do NOT decide to check out the new clergy suite or the classroom addition. It is not safe from a construction point of view, and it does not follow our COVID protocols. We promise that we will let you know when it's time to see the beautiful results, but it is NOT TIME YET! Thanks for your support with this.

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