



On Re-entering Sacred Space After the Quarantine

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Berukhah at ha-shleimut Blessed Wholeness,

Our eyes are open wide As we walk into our familiar sacred space For the first time in over a year. Colors are brighter, The sanctuary is larger And the sounds of our voices, together, are luscious. We swim in our profound appreciation for what we once took for granted And we can't stop smiling at our friends And marveling at how good they look to us. We hug, We breathe in their smells, It's so exciting!! And at last We can pray and we will be heard We can mourn and we will be seen. We are not alone.

Blessed Holy Wholeness We give thanks and pray that we will remember how this felt Next week And next year When we are bored. Look at us, Here we are. It is good. Amen

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