

Congregation Keneseth Israel
Policies, Practices & Guidelines

Policy, Practice or Guideline: Clergy Back-up Plan
Source: Religious Practice Committee
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- I. Introduction: On occasion Clergy may be unavailable to perform Shabbat Services. A plan was developed to assure congregants have the opportunity to attend Friday evening services.
- II. Policy Statement: It is the practice at KI to either appoint a lay leader to conduct Shabbat Services or provide information on other Synagogues that they may attend.
- III. History: Because of the C-19 Pandemic, in 2020 Shabbat Services were available from many congregations via Zoom or Live Streaming. KI developed relationships with LV congregations so that should no Clergy or lay leadership be available, our congregants could join their Services either in person or virtually.
- IV. Definition:
- V. Procedure:
 - a. A Lay Leader is determined by the Clergy in collaboration with the Executive Director. An outline for the Service will be sent to the lay leader by Monday of that week OR
 - b. The Executive Director will provide the Link for congregants to virtually join other Lehigh Valley Synagogues.
- VI. Reference: