

## **Rabbi's Column – April 6, 2020**

I had fully intended to do an article for last week's bulletin. Part of our Pesach preparation involves moving the Hametzdik stuff out of the kitchen, then putting the Pesachdik stuff into the kitchen, and then putting the Hametzdik stuff in a back room. Between all of those stages, every surface upon which I normally would type anything was taken up by stuff being moved.

There would be no Torah Thursday this week or next week because of Yom Tov, so there will be no Torah Thursday substitute study as such.

Traditional stories have already told us that whatever you do for Pesach that commemorates leaving Mitzrayim is good enough for God. This year, let me reiterate - whatever you do for Pesach is good enough for God, even if it isn't what you have done in the past, or what you hoped to do even two months ago. Our community is not completely reliant upon actually getting together (which is a definite plus at the moment); our community is about caring and being interested in each other.

One Rabbi recommended that every person carry two messages with them at all times, one to raise up their spirits when things are going poorly and one to keep them from getting a swelled head when things are going well. The version I like has the two messages being "I was made in God's image." and "This too shall pass." Take them out as you need to during this time.

May you find the joy that exists within your Passover celebration this week.