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“How great are your tents, O Jacob; your dwelling places, O Israel.” – Numbers 24:5

It is the core tenet of our mission to meet you where you are and inspire you toward living a passion-filled Jewish life. This past year, we have taken that literally, meeting you on your screens all over the world. The Tent at PAS is a special way for non-members to connect with PAS and hear from us throughout the year about the ways we can continue to connect through the calendar of Jewish life.

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Alt Color Option



On Saturday, March 5, Rabbi Cosgrove's sermon "Our Esther Moment" spoke to the humanitarian crisis in the Ukraine. He said, "This is our window to decide whether we remain hidden or whether – with humanity hanging in the balance – we publicly affirm our identity and values. It is our time to manifest our faith outwardly as a community and, with philanthropic generosity, to leverage the blessings of our fleeting lives toward a cause bigger than any of us and all of us."

And our PAS community took notice.

Within hours, we had raised more than \$300,000 and in less than a month, almost \$1,000,000. This money has since been distributed out to relief agencies working directly on the ground to support those – Jews and non-Jews alike – who are desperately in need.

One such community member? Fifth-grader and Congregational School student, Will Ruderfer.

Will's father, Stuart, who was at services that day came home and told Will about what Rabbi Cosgrove had said. Will then took it upon himself to watch the sermon and decided that this was not only a moment for his parents to rise to the occasion (which they did) but for him as well. Taking money out of his savings – saved from birthdays, Hanukkahs, and the Tooth Fairy – Will made an independent donation to our Purim Appeal.

“May you live to see your world fulfilled.”

BABYLONIAN TALMUD, BRACHOT 17A



FROM THE RABBI

RABBI ELLIOT J. COSGROVE

The Tradition of Rebranding

Long before the days of Don Draper and *Mad Men*, our people knew one or two things about rebranding. Called to go forth to the land of Canaan, Abram and Sarai had their names changed to “Abraham” and “Sarah,” a shift in spelling that signaled a more profound transformation. Soon thereafter, our patriarch Jacob was rebranded as “Israel” following his nighttime wrestling match with a divine being. Even God is renamed Adonai in Exodus after having been named Elohim throughout Genesis. Eternal though God may be, God well understood that a brand update was necessary in order to speak to a new generation.

For any community to remain vital, we must distinguish between message and medium. Our God, our values, and our identities are constants that transcend time and place. As a synagogue, our commitments to Jewish learning, community building, and prayer are held sacred from generation to generation. And yet, our very commitment to these enduring values demands that periodically we refresh how we express them in order to speak anew to every age. Melodies are introduced, buildings are renovated.

This bulletin announces the newest chapter of our congregational “brand.” Reflecting an enormous amount of work and creativity by our lay leaders and communication professionals, we are delighted to unveil an updated look to the wonder that is our community. The typeface, the palette, the language and logo of our publications have a new feel. So too, our emails, our website, even our Shabbat Shalom folders, will all reflect a consistent and refreshed appearance. Having engaged stakeholders from across our community under the counsel of a brand consultant, we are confident that our new brand reflects the inclusive ethos of PAS that will challenge you, inspire you, and embrace you as it has done for its membership throughout its history. A huge thank you to our lay leaders Susan Cantor and Paula Gendel and Communications & Marketing Manager Maggi Heffler for leading the charge!

As with any change, it will take a little time to adjust. We would do well to remember that Don Draper was not altogether correct when he said, “Change is neither good or bad, it simply is.” When it comes to renewing the look and feel of our synagogue, the changes are entirely good in that they signal our optimism about our communal future. Like the restoration of a painting, our efforts reveal beauty which may have been obscured. May our obligations to our past continue to be expressed by way of our commitments to our future – renewed, always, in every age.

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