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## תא שמע ממיאצ מז



# Rabbi Gross's Fourth-Sunday Life-Long Learning Series for 5779 (2018-19)

#### Sunday, September 23 - Why the Sh'ma is More than "One."

Having just spent the New Year season immersed in the richly meaningful poetry of our prayerbook, we will investigate our most important prayer of all to discover how there's more to it than meets the eye.

### **Sunday, October 28** - A Jewish Take on Witches, Ghosts, and Demons, (plus Vampires, If We Really <u>Have</u> To!).

Whether Hallowe'en, coming up later this week, is a Catholic holy day or a pagan holiday, you can't escape ghosts and ghouls this time of year. So we'll look into how all those creepy things play out in our Jewish tradition.

#### Sunday, November 25 - What Angels Are, and How They Work.

We'll have to forget the halos and the wings, but that doesn't mean it's not going to be fun to find out how either (let alone both) entered into the picture, as we learn about one of the least significant—but most pervasive—components of Biblical faith.

#### **Sunday, December 23** - What Makes a Life-Cycle, a Life-Cycle.

With the December 31 leil mishmar coming up the following week, this session will be a great time to learn about some social, spiritual, and ceremonial aspects of life-cycle celebrations in the Jewish tradition (including what a leil mishmar is!).

#### **Sunday, January 27** - An Introduction to the Prophets of the Bible: Part I.

Come encounter some of the most stirring poetry in the Bible, as we meet God's inspired messengers, whose message is as timeless for us as it was timely for them.

#### **Sunday, February 24** - An Introduction to the Prophets of the Bible: Part II.

A continuation of January's session, celebrating the burning words of fire that reach out to us through the ages.

#### **Sunday, March 17** - Communal Day of Jewish Learning.

This annual County-wide event, hosted off-campus at Temple Shalom in Naples, displaces our in-house LifeLong Learning experience every March. Watch for details.

## Sunday, April 28 - The Count-Down as a Jewish Model (Long Before The 1960s "Space Race"!).

This final session of the year demonstrates how anticipation and fulfillment go together throughout the Jewish cycle of time.

Except as noted, all sessions convene at the Synagogue (991 Winterberry Drive), beginning with coffee social in Raskin Hall at 9:30 followed by class in the Sanctuary from 10:00 to 11:30. There is no fee for members to attend any of our JCMI LifeLong Learning programs. Unaffiliated guests are welcome, and asked to make a \$5 contribution to the Congregation.