

THIS CLASS IS FOR YOU...

- ◆ *if* you are a curious person who would like a better understanding of the rich, multi-faceted heritage of Judaism.
- ◆ *if* you want to become more involved in repairing the world (*tikkun olam*) or learning about the ethical and philosophical underpinnings of Judaism.
- ◆ *also, if* you are not currently engaged in congregational life, but want to understand the ancient, yet ever contemporary, Judaic traditions.



Temple Bnai Israel is a welcoming Jewish community that cherishes the music and beauty of our Jewish culture and is passing those blessings on to future generations.

We celebrate tradition and are open to change. We seek to offer justice, tolerance and charity within the Temple Bnai Israel Community, the larger Jewish community, and the non-Jewish worlds within which we live.

Men and women participate equally in all aspects of our services. Our fellow travelers, family, and friends from other traditions, are also warmly welcomed to learn, worship, and be of service with us.

Our mission reflects the ancient teaching:

“to do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God.”



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Introduction to Judaism

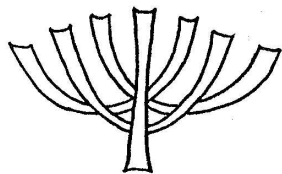
**Classes start
in January**



What does the rich, multi-faceted heritage of Judaism offer you?

This course is ideal for those who may or may not have been raised in a Jewish home, but are seeking a better understanding of the basic Jewish spiritual and ethical practices, philosophical understandings, and cultural activities. We will also learn about the Jewish activist tradition of *tikkun olam* (repairing the world).

We welcome individuals who may not be currently engaged in congregational life, and who may not be Jewish, but are curious about what Judaism has to offer.



Classes will be taught by Rabbi Jeremy Schwartz.



Rabbi Schwartz (Rav Jeremy) has been spiritual leader of Temple Bnai Israel since 2000. He is a 1997 graduate of RRC, the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College.

His wide range of teaching interests includes mussar (ethical self-improvement), for which he's received training from The Mussar Institute, Jewish liturgy, modern Hebrew poetry, and the theology of *tikkun olam* (repairing the world).



Classes begin Tuesday, January 9, 2018 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

and will be held the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month through June 26, 2018.

There is no fee for the class. ALL ARE WELCOME! Donations are appreciated.

To register, please e-mail office@templebnaiisrael.org call 860 423-3743

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complete the following and mail to Temple Bnai Israel, P.O. Box 61, Willimantic, CT 06226

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____ I was raised in a Jewish home*

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