

ADULT EDUCATION

The High Holidays are now behind us and things are picking up at OZ for all kinds of learners.

Rabbi Amy has started a new section of iEngage. She is using a new curriculum from the Shalom Hartman Institute entitled “**Foundations for a Thoughtful Judaism- Ethics Course.**” This curriculum is designed to allow even beginners to have access to deep Jewish thought as well as for those who want to grapple with philosophical questions at the heart of Jewish tradition. Classes will be held Sunday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:00 pm on November 7, 14, 21, December 5, 12, 19, and 26, on Zoom and adjusted as we can going forward. Anyone is welcome to join these classes even if you haven’t participated in the past.

Making Prayer Real has resumed after a fall hiatus. Dates for the upcoming sessions are Sundays, November 7, 14, December 12 and 19. Sessions will be from 4:00 - 6:00 pm, possibly in person, on Zoom or even hybrid. This class is open to participants who have already attended, but if you would still like to attend, contact Cantor Steve or Rabbi Amy.

The OZ Monthly Book Club meets the second Wednesday each month from 8:00 - 9:00 pm. We will be meeting by Zoom on November 10 to discuss the book *All the Rivers*, by Israeli author Dorit Rabinyan. You can find the link on the OZ calendar. If you want to get a jump start, December’s book is *Here All Along*, by Sarah Hurwitz. That meeting will be in person in the OZ library.

New to the line-up this fall is the **OZ Storytelling Gathering!** Come join in a new storytelling group at OZ. Everyone is welcome, all ages, no preparation or experience is necessary. We’ll start out with a prompt, something that might spark a memory of something exciting, or funny, or thought-provoking and take turns sharing experiences in a circle of relaxed appreciation. The first meeting was held at the end of October, but it’s not too late to join. Contact Judy Chalmer at judyburlington@gmail.com for future dates and times.

The Grandparents Conversation Group: Connecting through COVID continues to meet on Wednesday, November 10 from 1:30 - 2:30 pm. This Zoom conversation allows grandparents to share and reflect on what is important to us about grandparenting, parenting and aging and provides comfort as members listen to one another. If you are interested in joining, please contact Judy Chalmer at judyburlington@gmail.com.

More fun learning opportunities are coming! Look for them in the weekly announcements, the OZ Calendar and FaceBook pages. Look for Cantor Steve’s Hebrew classes for beginners and intermediate learners coming this January!

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