

THE GOSPELS
ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
SPECIAL EVENT

Sunday, December 1, 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.
in St. Mark's Sanctuary
with Dr. Amy-Jill Levine



Dr. Levine is a highly sought-after speaker, author, and commentator on Jewish-Christian matters, outspoken about the need for Jews and Christians to come to know each other better, and more accurately. She is a great friend of Christianity and an outstanding example of openness between the Jewish and Christian communities, showing how both traditions are growing, learning and being enriched from their encounter with the other.

Amy-Jill Levine is University Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies and Mary Jane Werthan Professor of Jewish Studies Emerita at Vanderbilt and Rabbi Stanley M. Kessler Distinguished Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies, Hartford International University for Religion and Peace.

In Spring 2019 she was the first Jew to teach New Testament at Rome's Pontifical Biblical Institute. In 2022 she received the Seelisberg Prize for Jewish-Christian Relations from the International Council of Christians and Jews; in 2023 she received the H. Walter Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation from Archbishop of Canterbury. She has been a frequent guest at St. Mark's Sunday evening Disciple Bible Study classes.

Holding the B.A. from Smith College, and the M.A. and Ph.D. from Duke University, she has honorary doctorates from the University of Richmond, the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest, the University of South Carolina-Upstate, Drury University, Christian Theological Seminary, and Franklin College. A self-described Yankee Jewish feminist, Professor Levine is a member of Congregation Sherith Israel, an Orthodox Synagogue in Nashville, although she is often quite unorthodox.

Her most recent book, [Jesus for Everyone](#), places Jesus of Nazareth within his historical context, bringing him vividly into focus and inviting everyone from faithful Christians, agnostics, and the most committed nonbelievers to appreciate his lasting impact on our world today.

Mark your calendar for this final session:

➤ **January 12, 2025: 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. Revelation with Dr. Rebecca Wright**

10:30 a.m. Worship with Bishop Joe E. Pennel, Jr., retired United Methodist bishop

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., The Grand Sweep Celebration Luncheon, reservations required