



ADULT EDUCATION 5783

2022-2023



Register for all non-weekly classes with our Assistant to the Office of Lifelong Learning, Beth Meade-Hession, at BethMH@ihcindy.org or 317-255-6647.

Classes are included with your IHC membership, though material fees may apply for certain classes. If you are not yet an IHC member, see each listing for the guest fee.

ONGOING WEEKLY CLASSES

SHABBAT MORNING TORAH STUDY

Saturdays, 9:00-10:00am

Taught by Rabbis Krichiver and Chernow-Reader

Led by Rabbi Krichiver or Rabbi Chernow-Reader, the group travels through the weekly portion of the Torah text. We seek to understand the teaching for the time and to discuss its message for today.

Rabbinic and participant commentary is encouraged. No prior knowledge is necessary. We study using the English translation. Copies are available at IHC.

Visit ihcindy.org/torahportions to find the exact verses for the week.

TORAH TALK

Wednesdays, 9:30-10:30am

Taught by Rabbi Krichiver

Torah Talk is an informal, accessible, and interactive opportunity for adults of all levels of learning to discuss and study Judaism and its texts. Each session stands alone, but you may find you want to become a regular attendee. Check the IHC Calendar at ihcindy.org or our social media for specific dates. Torah Talk is sponsored by IHC Sisterhood.

ENRICHMENTS TO OUR CELEBRATIONS

SHABBAT PARFAIT: THE CHOREOGRAPHY AND MEANING OF OUR KABBALAT SHABBAT T'FILOT

Taught by Rabbi Krichiver

Fridays, 5:15-6:00pm March 10, 17, 24, & 31

Join Rabbi Krichiver for an "early oneg" as we explore the customs and practices that are a part of our Kabbalat Shabbat prayers. Like the layers of a parfait, each element is intriguing and invites us further in to the delight of shabbat. IHC Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$36 for the 4 sessions

HIDDUR MITZVAH: BEAUTIFYING THE MITZVAH

Taught by Rabbi Shapiro

Sunday, Nov. 13, 3:00-5:00pm

Sunday, Feb. 12, 2:00-4:00pm

Sunday, Apr. 30, 3:00-6:00pm

Glass Mezuzot, offsite

Shabbat candle dipping, TBD

Tallit/tzitzit design, IHC

Hiddur Mitzvah is the principle of enhancing the mitzvot (commandments) handed down to us. These sessions are hands-on, encouraging creativity, yet no skill is required. We will explore the mitzvah and customs surrounding each of the ritual items and then use our creativity, along with guidance from experts, to each make our own mezzuzah, shabbat candles, and tallit. Some class sessions may be held offsite. There is a material fee for all participants for each session which must be paid in advance to reserve your spot. IHC Members: Material fee only, Guests: Material fee, plus \$18 for each session. Due to limited spaces available, members will have priority in registration.

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MORE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

LISTED BY START OF THE FIRST CLASS

INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM

Intro Shabbat - Friday, Sept. 16, 6:15 - 8:45 pm

(program after services for class enrollees)

Wednesdays, 6:45-8:30pm Oct. 19, 26, Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30, & Dec. 7

Taught by IHC's Rabbis Krichiver, Chernow-Reader, & Shapiro and Beth Shalom's Rabbi Kerber

Join the rabbis as they take you through an exploration of Judaism. This class is designed for those on a journey toward Judaism and those who need a refresher course. This is a two-part class, with the other portion offered in the Spring. Our Fall semester will cover beliefs, texts, and history. If you are considering conversion or wanting to learn more about Judaism, please contact the congregation to register or speak with your sponsoring rabbi/cantor. This class is listed in the URJ offerings for Introduction to Judaism and is offered at no charge.

A TIME TO PREPARE

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30pm Oct. 25, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 29, Dec. 6, & 13

Taught by Rabbi Krichiver and Cantor Marer

Tradition teaches us to repent one day before we die. Not knowing when the end will come, this mitzvah reminds us to prepare -- to prepare our families and loved ones, to put our worldly affairs in order, and to prepare ourselves as best we can for what might lie ahead. It may not always be pleasant to consider, but this class promises to be rewarding and meaningful. IHC Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$54

KIDS TODAY: USING JEWISH TRADITION TO SUPPORT EACH OTHER IN A CHALLENGING WORLD

Sundays, 10:00-11:00am Oct. 30, Nov. 6, Jan 22, & 29

Taught by Rabbi Chernow-Reader

Raising children in the world today can be stressful. Come learn from Jewish tradition about how we can support each other as we face these challenges together. IHC Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$36

THE GOD I DON'T BELIEVE IN

Fridays, 12:00-1:00pm Nov. 4, 11, & 18

Taught by Rabbi Chernow-Reader

Come explore how different philosophers think about God. You can agree, disagree, and everything in between. We will discuss how the works of these theologians help us shape our own concepts of God in our ever-changing world. IHC Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$36

LOVE IS A MANY SPLENORED THING: LOVE STORIES IN JEWISH TRADITION

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00pm Jan. 17, 24, & 31

Taught by Rabbi Chernow-Reader

Come learn about different examples of love in Jewish texts. In this class, we will study a variety of love stories in Jewish tradition and discuss how the insights from our ancient texts are still relevant to our lives today. IHC Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$36

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MEGILLAT ESTHER: THE SCROLL OF ESTHER

Thursdays, 12:00-1:00pm Feb., 9, 16, 23, & Mar. 2

Taught by Cantor Marer

Join Cantor Marer as we take an exciting journey through the ancient text of Megillat Esther. The age old story of a female heroine truly comes to life with the exciting and unpredictable trope of the text. In this class, we will learn to chant verses of the Megillah and will plan to chant for the congregation during our Purim service. While experience chanting is not necessary, participants should be able to read or sound out Hebrew letters and vowels. IHC Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$36

INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM

Intro Shabbat, Friday, Feb. 24, 6:15 - 8:00 pm

Wednesdays, 6:45-8:30pm Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Apr. 19, & 26

Taught by IHC's Rabbis Krichiver, Chernow-Reader, & Shapiro and Beth Shalom's Rabbi Kerber

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YOU WANT WOMEN TO DO WHAT?: AN EXPLORATION OF JEWISH TEACHINGS CONCERNING THE ROLE OF WOMEN

Thursdays, 7:00-8:30pm Mar. 16, 23, & 30

Taught by Rabbi Shapiro

Depending on where you look, Jewish tradition offers high praises and utter belittlement of women. How are we to understand the wide range of commentary? Join us for this exploration and discussion - all leading us to consider the role of women then and now. Co-sponsored by IHC Sisterhood. IHC Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$36

A CHANCE FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30pm Apr. 25, May 2, & 9

Taught by Rabbi Krichiver

This course will explore the most up-to-date information from a variety of sources regarding the dynamics of the peace process between Israel, the Palestinian people, and other countries in the region. No prior knowledge necessary. IHC Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$36

Check out our weekly eblasts, IHCindy.org, and/or our social media pages for updates and additions to educational and holiday offerings during the year.

ADULT B'NAI MITZVAH CLASS WILL BEGIN A NEW ROUND IN FALL 2023

If you were not given the opportunity as a child, converted to Judaism more than 3 years before beginning this preparation program, or feel compelled to be called to the Torah as a b'nai mitzvah experience, this is a wonderful opportunity for you. Preparation is a 20-month process, with classes and independent study, culminating in a service on Saturday, February 2025.