

Temple Beth El Continues 70th Celebration with Weekend of Lifelong Learning

Friday and Saturday, February 8-9



Rabbi Jeremy Barras

As Temple Beth celebrates its seven decades of learning, we invite back as Sadie Levin Scholars-in-Residence Rabbi Jeremy Barras and Rabbi Micah Streiffer to further open the wellspring of wisdom within our Torah.

On Friday night, at a special 7 PM Shabbat service, our guest rabbi will lead a sermon in dialogue entitled "Mishpatim - The Laws of Lifelong Learning."

On Saturday morning, at our

Congregational Shabbat Workshops from 9-10:15 am, Rabbis Barras and Streiffer will lead a study of sacred texts entitled "Ancient Midrash and Modern Midrash: Finding ourselves in Jewish Texts." A Congregational Brunch will follow (\$8/members and \$10/non-members). We will then move into our annual Arthur Tirsun Educational Shabbat honoring our community educators, which this year will be integrated into our Congregational Shabbat morning service.

On Saturday evening, our cherished rabbis of the past will lead us in a discussion and moving Havdalah ceremony from 5-6 PM. Building upon their strengths, the program will be entitled "Rabbi Barras and Rabbi Streiffer Classic: Wine and Song, Humor and Warmth."

This Weekend of Lifelong Learning is co-chaired by Barbara



Rabbi Micah Streiffer

and Dr. Lenny Feld and Andrea and Howard Seidler. For more information, please call 704-366-1948 or see www.beth-el.com. To make reservations for the Saturday morning congregational brunch, go to www.beth-el.com/RSVP. ☆



Temple Beth El Presents Its 16th Annual Comparative Religion Series

"After Life: A Beginning or An End?"

Tuesday Evenings, January 22-February 26

Can one's status change during the After Life? Are there rewards and punishments during After Life for your actions in this life? People of all faiths ask these universal questions, which are just two of the compelling questions we will address as part of Temple Beth El's 16th Annual Comparative Religion Series. This winter, several educators and religious leaders will discuss the sources of their respective faith's teachings on the After Life. The sessions will run from 7-9 PM on Tuesday evenings. The speaker schedule is as follows. For more information, see www.beth-el.com or call 704-969-1948.

* January 22: Rabbi Judy Schindler, Temple Beth El, and Rabbi Chanoch Oppenheim, Charlotte Torah Center - Welcome and Overview, Jewish perspective



* January 29: J. Daniel White, PhD, Associate Professor and Director of Undergraduate Studies at UNC Charlotte - Hindu perspective

* February 5: Imam John Ederer, Muslim American Society of Charlotte - Islamic perspective

* February 12: Ryusho Jeffus, Shonin, Myosho-ji Wonderful Voice Buddhist Temple - Buddhist perspective

* February 19: Pastors Russ and Amy Jacks Dean, Park Road Baptist Church - Christian perspective

* February 26: Brand Hosford and Jay Heilpern, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Gastonia Stakes Center - Mormon perspective

* March 5: Snow date. ☆

Temple Beth El Religious School Invites Jewish Children Experience Vacation Torah School - Summer 2013

Week 1 - June 24-28
Week 2 - July 8-12

Come to Temple Beth El for fun in the sun this summer at Vacation Torah School.

Join us for two weeks of Torah stories, Tefillah, crafts, cooking, dancing, songs, and more. Week 1 we will tap into our inner kings and queens as we learn about "The Jewish Royals." Week 2 we will travel through the Torah on a fabulous "Jewish Torah Journey." Vacation Torah School will be

staffed by our talented school faculty and madrichim (teen assistants). Register for one or two weeks. More information is available at www.beth-el.com or in the TBE Religious School office at 704-749-3046.

* Ages: Rising Kindergarten to Rising 3rd Grade

* Fee: \$165 per week for TBE members, \$210 per week for non-members

* Schedule: Monday-Friday, 9:15 AM-12:15 PM. ☆

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