JRC Yom Kippur Afternoon Member-Led Programming

Join us Monday, September 21 from 3:00-4:30 pm
at the First United Methodist Church of Evanston

Our Big Tent: Discussing Israel-Palestine at JRC
Led by Laura Friedlander and Daniel Greene

JRC values our congregation's wide tent of various connections to and opinions regarding Israel-Palestine, but what is a wide tent? And how might a wide tent help hold communities together during difficult times? Yehuda Kurtzer's recent article, "Our Fragile Tents: Community, Consent, and Care," takes up these important questions while also asking how Jewish communities can balance their concerns about safety with their willingness to enter into difficult conversations. This group will discuss Kurtzer's article and think together about its implications for our JRC community. It is recommended, but not required, to read Kurtzer's article in advance.

Meditation: Returning to Our True Nature
Led by Ellen Rosen-Kaplan

Let's come together and take our Yom Kippur experience even deeper through Jewish Meditation. The Jewish mystical tradition, including Kabbalah, provides us with a rich set of approaches and tools to connect with our spirit. As we near the culmination of the Days of Awe, we will sit together to experience a path to *Teshuvah*, a return to our loving, compassionate, peaceful Selves. All are welcome! No meditation experience is necessary.

Repent, Repair, and Refocus: Using Tarot Cards to Facilitate Introspection
Led by Dori Conn

A chance to experience how looking at purposefully designed art, featuring relatable characters and scenarios, can calm our minds, help us feel less alone, and inspire us to move in new directions.

Antiracism and Missing the Mark
Led by Jon Marshall, Maria Tolpin, and Judih Eisenberg

Racial equity and antiracism are core values of JRC. Join JRC's Racial Equity Collective (formerly known as the Racial Equity Task Force) to reflect on a Vidui (Confession) for racism. We'll look at ways that we've missed the mark in our efforts to bring greater racial equity to JRC and our wider communities. In a supportive atmosphere, we'll discuss how we can increase our awareness of racism and work to repair its brokenness.

JRC is a diverse, participatory, and sacred community
dedicated to a daring, deeply-rooted Judaism