## ITJ dates and topics 2023/2024 (may be revised)

September 7 – The Jewish Year: Overview of the Holiday Cycle and Jewish Time September 28 – Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur and Sukkot

October 12 – *The Synagogue* (Field trip to a local congregation)

October 19 – Shabbat

October 26 – *Introduction to Prayer* 

November 2 – *Birth and B'nai Mitzvah* 

November 9 – *Marriage, Divorce and Newer Life Cycle Rituals* 

November 16 – *Conversion* 

November 30 – Chanukah (December Dilemma)

December 21 - Age-ing, Death and Beliefs about the Afterlife -

January 11 – *Jewish History* 

January 18 – Anti-Semitism, the 'Holocaust' and Yom HaShoah

January 25 – Jewish Environmental Consciousness and Tu b'Shevat

February 1 – Zionism and Israel (and Yom HaZikaron, Yom HaAtzmaut)

February 8 – *Tanach: How to Read the Hebrew Bible* 

February 15 – *God and Spirituality* 

February 22 – Modern Judaism and its Various Expressions

February 29 – *Jews of Color and Jewish Diversity* 

March 7 – *Gender and Sexuality through a Jewish Lens* 

March 14 – *Purim; Mysticism and Kabbalah* 

April 4 – Pesach and Counting of the Omer

April 11 – Shavuot (and Simchat Torah Revisited)

April 18 – Tikkun Olam and Pursuing Justice

May 2 – Jewish Community and Life After Conversion/Siyyum