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**Indiana University Professors Look at “Jews & Power” 11/2 & 11/9**

Dr. Steven Weitzman and Dr. Jeff Veidlinger, professors at Indiana University’s Judaic Studies Program, will explore the facts and myths about Jews and their ability to control their own destiny at the program, “Jews & Power,” at 10:30 a.m., Sun., Nov. 2 and Nov. 9 at Temple Jeremiah, 937 Happ Rd., Northfield. There is no charge for Temple Jeremiah congregants. Cost for non-congregants is \$15 for Dawn Schuman Institute (DSI) members and \$22 for non-DSI members.

On the one hand, anti-Semitic literature claims Jews pull the strings of the world’s most powerful political and economic institutions. On the other hand, some perceive Jews as completely powerless until the rise of modern-day Israel. In fact, Professors Weitzman and Veidlinger argue, Jews have forged a middle ground, exerting some control over their lives even under the direst circumstances. The two-part series will look at “Jews & Divine Power,” exploring how Jews enlisted divine power against their enemies during ancient times and “Jews & Secular Power,” which examines how Jews have negotiated political power within the secular state in modern times, extending to civil and national rights.

Temple Jeremiah is a Reform Jewish congregation affiliated with the Union for Reform Judaism and holds weekly worship services and study programs. Its facilities are fully accessible. The Center for Learning provides educational opportunities for all ages, from preschoolers to senior adults. For more information, contact the temple office at 847/441-5760 or [office@templejeremiah.org](mailto:office@templejeremiah.org) or log on to [www.templejeremiah.org](http://www.templejeremiah.org).

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