Speaker to give lecture on 'Jesus and Judaism' Feb. 20

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The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh will welcome author and Vanderbilt Divinity School and Colleges of Arts and Sciences professor Amy-Jill Levine for a lecture on “Jesus and Judaism” at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 20 in Sage Hall, room 1214.

Levine’s free presentation will include a book signing at its conclusion. Her books include “The Misunderstood Jew: The Church and the Scandal of the Jewish Jesus” (HarperOne), the edited collection “The Historical Jesus in Context” (Princeton) and the 14-volume edited series, “Feminist Companions to the New Testament and Early Christian Writings” (Continuum).

Levine is a self-described "Yankee Jewish feminist who teaches in a predominantly Christian divinity school in the buckle of the Bible Belt.” She “combines historical-critical rigor, literary-critical sensitivity and a frequent dash of humor with a commitment to eliminating anti-Jewish, sexist and homo-phobic theologies.”

Levine will also be giving lectures on Friday, Feb. 21 at 4 p.m. on "Avoiding Anti-Jewish Preaching and Teaching" followed by a 5:30p.m. Dessert/Coffee reception and book signing at First Congregational Church in Appleton. Child care is available upon request.

Levine will also speak on Saturday, Feb. 22 ($40 includes lunch) from 9 am to 3 pm at a PIE workshop at First Presbyterian Church in Neenah. Levine's presentation will focus on "Hearing Jesus’ Parables as Jewish Stories," "Misunderstanding First-Century Judaism means Misunderstanding Jesus" and "How Jews and Christians Read Scripture Differently."

Levine closes out her Fox Valley visit on Sunday, Feb. 23 at First Presbyterian Church in Neenah with 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. sermons on “Dangers on the Road to Jericho” (Luke 10:25-37) and a 9:00am Adult Education presented titled “A New Look at Adam and Eve."

The lectures are sponsored by the UW Oshkosh Religious Studies and Anthropology, History, Philosophy and Women and Gender Studies departments along with the UW Oshkosh College of Letters and Science Dean’s Office, the UW Oshkosh Women’s Center and the UW Oshkosh Office of Academic Support and Inclusive Excellence. Additional support is provided by The Gathering Place, the Winnebago Presbytery and Presbyterians in Education.

Learn more:

- Amy Jill-Levine