



Small virus with a huge impact: How COVID-19 is changing Judaism

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Interview - Lecture - Debate

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Already in March 2020 shortly after the outbreak for the pandemic a North-American Rabbi noted: Judaism will never be as it was before. Playing with COVID-19 as acronym he foresaw: Judaism will now be: COm-
munication, VIDEo-Conferencing, and the 19 bles-
sings of the daily prayer. Now – 6 months later - the Jewish community has celebrated all its festivals under pandemic rules, life-cycle events, services, communal events and recently more people point to lasting changes within Judaism. Completely new issues arose as questions about what constitutes a religious “congregation” as well as questions about triage and vaccinations. The talk will map the complex impact of COVID-19 on today's Jewish communities in different countries as seen from an insider's perspective. It will demonstrate how different Jewish denominations reacted creatively to the new situation and present current opinions about the lasting impact Corona will have on the future of the Jewish community.

Die Veranstaltung findet im Rahmen des Seminars The Covid-19 Pandemic in Theology and Religions statt.

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