

Religion and Science Lecture Series 2022

Presented Virtually each Sunday in February, 2:30-4:00 p.m.

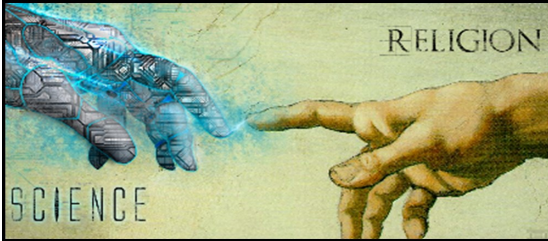
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Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, Clarkdale, AZ

- Feb 6 **“The COVID Pandemic – Two Years On”**
Dr. Matt Percy, Professor of Microbiology at Yavapai College
- Feb 13 **“The Mind-Body Connection - the Relationship of the Conscious and Subconscious”**
Dr. Elaine Kissel, Author and Hypnotherapist
- Feb 20 **“Why a Changing Arctic Matters to Climate and to You”**
Dr. Ted Schuur, Regents Professor in the Center for Ecosystem Science and Society at Northern Arizona University
- Feb 27 **“Archeology, Roads and Connection to the Landscape; Honoring Tribal Religious Beliefs as Construction Projects Continue in Yavapai County”**
Kathryn Turney, Yavapai County Archeologist

*To join in viewing these **FREE** lectures, please submit your name and email address to officesoj@sojaz.net. Internet information on participating in the ZOOM presentations will be sent to you prior to the first lecture.*

Spirit of Joy newsletter—February 2022



VIRTUAL (via Zoom) RELIGION AND SCIENCE LECTURES February 2022

The popular and thought-provoking Religion and Science Lecture Series, sponsored and produced by Spirit of Joy, will take place virtually via Zoom each week throughout the month of February. Featured speakers and their topics for the coming series are as follows:



Dr. Matt Pearcy, professor of Microbiology at Yavapai College, will return to SOJ to present “The COVID Pandemic — Two Years On” in the first R&S series lecture on Sunday, February 6. His presentation will cover long-haul COVID, the virus variants, efficacy of vaccines, drug treatment for COVID 19 and the future of the pandemic.

The mind-body connection, focusing on the relationship of the conscious and subconscious, will be the subject of a presentation by Dr. Elaine Kissel on Sunday, February 13. Dr. Kissel is an author and hypnotherapist with over 43 years of clinical practice. Her intent is to enlighten as well as inspire people to have a sense of their personal God given powers and how they can be employed for wellness and well-being.



Dr. Ted Schuur, Regents Professor in the Center for Ecosystem Science and Society at Northern Arizona University, will be our guest on Sunday, February 20. His topic, “Why a Changing Arctic Matters to Climate and to You”, presents the latest research on greenhouse gasses, carbon dioxide and methane, and how their emissions from a changing Arctic landscape affects climate everywhere.

Our final program on Sunday, February 27, will feature Kathryn Turney, Yavapai County Archeologist. Kathryn’s topic will be “Archeology, Roads and Connection to the Landscape; Honoring Tribal Religious Beliefs as Construction Projects Continue in Yavapai County’. Her responsibilities include managing 80,000 miles of road in our County and working closely with Tribal partners.



During this time of COVID-19 restrictions, the presentations will be transmitted virtually from our Sanctuary at 2:30 p.m. each Sunday. All R&S presentations are free upon sign-up for the ZOOM transmission. Links to the presentations will be provided via email for those who have signed up. Please send your request, including your name and email address, to officesoj@sojaz.net. Links to the presentations will be provided via email for those who have signed up.

Religion and Science Series Looks Ahead to 2023

Planning has already begun for the 2023 Religion and Science Lecture Series sponsored by Spirit of Joy. The successful four-program series has been presented virtually for the past two seasons in response to the COVID pandemic with Mick Shanahan and Sharon Thaler serving as co-chairs of the R&S series.

The recent February lectures covered the second year of COVID, the mind-body connection and the relationship of the conscious and the unconscious, how a changing Arctic affects our climate, and, finally, archaeology, roads and Yavapai County construction projects and how they impact local Native American tribes.

Mick and Sharon report that they are hoping to offer both virtual and live audience presentations in the church sanctuary next year and have begun planning for the 2023 R&S series. “We have had a great response to the series but also know that live’ presentations have been missed by both the audience and the presenters”, Mick mentioned recently.

Sharon added that they are grateful for the positive comments that have been forwarded to the church office. “We are always looking for feedback on the programs,” she said, “and for recommendations on future programs.”



Words of Praise for the 2022 Religion and Science Lecture Series!

Dear Spirit of Joy congregation,

Thank you for holding and recording your religion and science lecture series in February. They are a wonderful gift to the community. We just watched the final lecture about Yavapai county road projects and respect for indigenous presence, which we enjoyed immensely. We will be viewing the other three lectures this month. We particularly appreciate being able to view the recordings, because our lifestyle includes attending Chamber Music Sedona concerts and the Sedona International Film Festival, which conflicted with three of your lectures. If you are able to return to live events, we hope you will continue to make the recordings and offer them asynchronously.

Thank you again.

Peace and love.

I would be very pleased to hear other talks by Kathryn Turney on related subjects and am grateful for this one. Blessings and

Thank you so very very much!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Hopefully next year in person.

I really appreciated the science and religion webinars. Thank You!

The (Kathryn Turney) presentation today was really wonderful. The material was so interesting and it was beautifully presented - from the slides to the stories and the authenticity of the speaker! While such talks can be very dry, this one drew me in immediately and kept me there.

This was an excellent program (Dr. Elaine Kissel), much to be learned from it. Thank you!