

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM ST. JOHN'S, CHICO

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

RELIGION AND SCIENCE FORUM

Topic: Growing Spiritually in Scientific Age—
A Lenten Journey Together
Tuesday nights: March 2, 9, 16, 23 @ 7:00P.M.

60-minute (45-minute presentation with 15-minute discussion)

Description: We live in a world defined by science and technology, and sometimes it's hard to see how and where our faith fits. The amazing discovery is that science and technology can actually enhance our faith. On these four Tuesdays in Lent, Father Richard Yale, physicist Lou Buchholtz, physician Marcia Nelson, and writer and theologian Greg Cootsona will address key topics in faith and science—Christianity's role in rise of modern science and the spirituality in the practice of science; why there is no "God of the gaps"; an interview with physician Marcie Nelson about COVID-19; and a view to how we approach key contemporary issues in Christian faith and science.

1. Greg & Lou, Spirituality in the practice of science: After a brief overview of ways to relate Christian faith and science by Greg—particularly that God is the author of both the book of nature and the book of Scripture, and so we can study both. Theoretical physicist Lou Buchholtz will unfold the history of modern science and how Christians (like Kepler, Galileo, Pascal) were at the center of the Scientific Revolution and the significance for us today. He will then give you an inside look at how science can be a spiritual quest.

2: Richard, No "God of the gaps": Father Richard Yale will look at the God who creates this world and sustains it. This means, following the profound philosophy of Charles Taylor, there is "no God of the gaps." We don't have to worry about science taking God out of the picture because God is there the whole time!

3: Greg and Marcia Nelson, Healing in our COVID-19 world: The COVID-19 pandemic has affected us and our world profoundly. Greg will have a conversation with physician Marcie Nelson, on COVID—especially how it's affecting us in Butte County—the various treatments for this disease, and how she brings her faith to her practice of medicine.

4: Greg, Contemporary issues in science and Christian faith: In this session, Greg will address the particular practices that create a scientifically-engaged spirituality as well as a few contemporary topics such as science tells us about climate change, racism, the intricate design of our universe, and artificial intelligence.

Zoom Mtg. #934 825 9198 and the **Passcode** is 885540.
