



# good theology for God's world

## VST ACADEMY IN COOPERATION WITH UNITED CHURCHES OF LANGLEY

Evening public lectures and daytime workshops designed to get you thinking and acting for the good of God's world.

*January 31st & February 1st, 2020*

### THEOLOGY FOR NON-THEOLOGIANS

Rev. Dr. Richard Topping

On this weekend, students will be introduced to central topics of ongoing discussion within the Christian church. Topics addressed include the Bible and imagination, Trinity and community, what does it mean to be human? Jesus and justice, and the church and the Holy Spirit. By taking this course students will become more fluent in central Christian teachings for the sake of faithfulness and relevance now.

*March 13th & 14th, 2020*

### FOUR GOSPELS MANY RESURRECTIONS

Dr. Harry Maier

Christians place at the centre of their faith the resurrection of Jesus and look to Matthew, Mark, Luke and John for information about it. This course considers the resurrection stories in the Gospels as well as other parts of the New Testament in the larger context of each evangelist's story about Jesus. It asks us to consider both what the resurrection meant for the first followers of Jesus and what it means for us today.

*April 17th & 18th, 2020*

### NEW EYES FOR READING THE OLD TESTAMENT

The Rev. Dr. Patricia Dutcher-Walls

*The Old Testament: Boring? Irrelevant? Beautiful? Intriguing?* This weekend will help participants understand the insights and beauty found in the Hebrew Bible through hands-on learning so that we can see the ways God's people have witnessed about God and our human relation to God. We'll focus on biblical narratives so that the brilliant storytelling of the Hebrew Bible invites us into a world of wonder and wisdom.

### Friday Evening Lectures

7 to 9pm

Free Admission

### Saturday Workshops

*(Registration Required)*

10am to 3pm

\$25 per workshop

Refreshments provided.

*Lunch available for \$12,  
collected at workshop.*

*Please RSVP when registering.*

### Lectures & Workshops held at

United Churches of Langley

Murrayville Site

21562 Old Yale Road

Langley, BC

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