

Evolution Weekend 2020

PATRIARCHY: In Science, Education, and the Church

Sunday, February 9, 2020: 3:30 – 5:30 PM Free of charge and open to the Public

Baltimore-Washington United Methodist Mission Center, 11711 East Market Place, Fulton, MD

Flyer access here: https://wesnex.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/FlyerEvolutionWeekend2020.pdf

Live steam can be accessed here: http://www.ebmcdn.net/webcast/flash/wesleynexus/live-iframe.html (Note: Until February 9, the video stream presents the 2019 Evolution Weekend program)

WesleyNexus is hosting its Seventh Annual Evolution Weekend program in Maryland and will live stream the event for churches and colleagues across the country. This event, will feature presentations from three distinguished panelists, followed by Q & A. **All present will benefit with a door prize.**

Dr. Amy Swain (Warffeli) will deliver the keynote on patriarchy in science. Amy's scientific background is in structural biology, which is a cross-cutting field that enables scientists to visualize molecules. After doing research at the National Cancer Institute and then Hoffman-LaRoche, Inc., Amy entered science program administration where she has supported the advancement of structural biology technologies for researchers. At the National Institutes of Health from 1999-2016, Amy supported biomedical research and, since 2016, has been supporting biological and environmental research at the Department of Energy. Amy is a member and active lay person at Grace United Methodist Church in Gaithersburg, Maryland.

Dr. Caryn McTighe Musil will give the keynote on patriarchy in education. A Senior Director for Civic Learning and Democracy Initiatives at the American Association of Colleges and Universities, Dr. Musil was raised Episcopalian, but she says, "It was the First United Methodist Church of Germantown in Philadelphia that brought my husband and me back to the church after a long hiatus. Part of the attraction in 1976 was that FUMCOG had already shifted the language of the Lord's prayer to "Our Mother/Father," had a gender inclusive "homemade" hymnbook, and married gay couples. I was teaching women's studies at the time at La Salle University, so being part of a feminist worship was critical for me." After moving to D.C., Caryn and her husband have been active at Westmoreland Congregational UCC.

Dr. Carla Works give the keynote on patriarchy in the church. Recently raised to full professor at Wesley Theological Seminary, Dr. Works is professor of New Testament. Her research interests include Pauline studies, the New Testament's use of Israel's scriptures, biblical ethics, and theological interpretation. She holds a Master's degree from Yale Divinity School and a Ph.D. from Princeton. A published author, mother, minister's wife, and native Arkansasan, she incorporates into her teaching anything from Dr. Seuss's stories to the Arkansas Razorback "hog call" to help illustrate a point. She is passionate about teaching, student learning, and the church.