

I.S. Conference Fall 2022 – Our Goods vs. My Interests

Thursday, September 15, 2022

- 10:00 am** **Coffee and Tea** (Hallway between Atrium and NAB)
- 10:20 am** **Welcome and Focus** (Atrium)
Ray Klassen, Interdisciplinary Studies
- 10:35 am** **Public and Private Partnerships** (Atrium)
The Hon. Rod Loyola NDP MLA for Edmonton Ellerslie
- Should We Have Kids? A New Dilemma About Life** (N102)
Dr. Joshua Harris, Philosophy
- 12:00 pm** **Lunch** (Cafeteria)
- 1:00 pm** **Can the Church Host Moral Conversations? Part 1** (Atrium)
Pastor's panel
- Fiery Conversations About Climate Change** (N102)
Drs. Joanne Moyer and Leanne Willson, Social Sciences
- 2:30 pm** **Coffee Break** (Hallway between Atrium and NAB)
- 2:45 pm** **What Makes a People?** (Atrium)
Dr. Stephen Martin, Theology
- What is at Stake in Being Authentic?** (N102)
Ray Klassen, Interdisciplinary Studies

Friday, September 16, 2022

- 10:00 am** **Coffee and Tea** (Hallway between Atrium and NAB)
- 10:20 am** **Welcome and Focus** (Atrium)
Ray Klassen, Interdisciplinary Studies
- 10:35 am** **Canadian Democracy in Decline** (Atrium)
The Hon. Garnett Genuis, Cons. MP for Sherwood Park
- Fiery Conversations About Climate Change** (N102)
Drs. Joanne Moyer and Leanne Willson, Social Sciences
- 12:00 pm** **Lunch** (Cafeteria)
- 1:00 pm** **Can the Church Host Moral Conversations? Part 2** (Atrium)
Pastor's panel
- Should We Have Kids? A New Dilemma About Life** (N102)
Dr. Joshua Harris, Philosophy
- 2:30 pm** **Coffee Break** (Hallway between Atrium and NAB)
- 3:00 pm** **Christian Liberal Arts Education and the Moral Life** (Atrium)
(For first-year students in the fall retreat)

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Jonathan Chaplin

Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge (UK)

Author of *Faith in Democracy: Framing a Politics of Deep Diversity* (2021) will join by video for:

- Reviving Conversation in Bad-Tempered Times
- Reclaiming Common Goods in an Age of “Me”



The Hon. Garnett Genuis

Deliberative Institutions like Parliament and the media are weakening in their ability to check the power of the government. Speech and violence are often confused for each other. Can we restore deliberative democratic institutions?



Dr. Stephen Martin

The question of “what constitutes a people” is fundamental in scripture. How does a random gathering of persons, with diverse and even contradictory interests, representing different classes, races, and gender particularities, become a people capable of bearing the good news to a broken world?



Can the church be a place of moral conversations? Join Dr. Jonathan Nicolai-deKoning from the Micah Centre, and a panel of Alberta congregational pastors and ministers that investigate whether the church is a place that can productively and peacefully discuss difficult moral questions.

Additional Online Content and Discussion Forums

- Public Goods Theory and COVID Vaccine Provision
Dr. Gerda Kits
- A Historian’s Patience and Understanding of Tough Topics
Dr. Caroline Liefers
- Mr. Huy Le (student) with an animated take on the moral obligations of riding public transit.



The Hon. Rod Loyola

What are the current problems with the public-private partnerships(P3s) for infrastructure provision in Alberta?



Drs. Leanne Wilson & Joanne Moyer

How can we have civil discussions around climate change? Let’s discover whether there are ways we can better understand our own (gasp?) stubborn beliefs.



Dr. Joshua Harris

US Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez spoke on behalf of a generation when she remarked that, due to the ill effects of climate change, present and forthcoming, “Young people have a legitimate question: Is it okay to still have children?”