

**Adult Forums
with
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Possible Topics:

- Charles Darwin and the Church
- Evolution: The History of an Idea
- Science, Religion, and Public Education
- What's the Big Deal about DNA and Genetic Engineering?
- What is the Human Genome Project?
- The Science and Politics of Stem Cells
- *In vitro* Fertilization and Other Reproductive Technologies

Since before Galileo and even after the Genome Project, science and religion have had a tenuous relationship. At times, they have coexisted in the same world but recently they have grown apart. It seems more and more that we are forced to choose between being people of science or people of faith.

“Dr. Murray Jensen from the University of Minnesota believes in a third choice. Faith and science can strive for more than a mere tolerance of one another. Through Dr. Jensen’s presentation, participants can come to understand how science and religion can learn and inform one another on such delicate issues as evolution, stem cell research, and genetic engineering. His straightforward, non-technical explanations to complicated issues will engage the listener and provide lively conversations.”

The Rev. Dr. Scott J. Suskovic, Senior Pastor
Christ Lutheran Church, Charlotte, NC

“Science is a part of our everyday lives. But how much do we really know about the scientific terms we hear thrown around in political arenas, newscasts, and even in church documents and sermons? What is stem cell research, genetic engineering, the human genome, or evolution, and what do they have to do with me and my decisions? Science and ethics have always gone hand in hand. Dr. Murray Jensen provides answers to these modern day questions about science and teases our minds into thinking about what these scientific ideas mean for our daily lives and our daily decisions as Americans and more importantly, as Christians.

Dr. Jensen has given three wonderful Adult Forum series here at St. Philip's. We have had to bring in extra chairs every time! His materials on current trends in scientific thought are well presented. He explains complex scientific issues such as stem cell research, evolution, and genetic engineering in terms that the everyday person can understand. You can tell that Dr. Jensen teaches for a living as he is passionate, well prepared, professional, and best of all his presentations are interesting and engaging. Whenever we plan for future Adult Forums, Dr. Jensen is always at the top of our list.”

Pastor Ryan Brodin
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