



CiS Bristol hosts Keith Ward

Why Stephen Hawking is nearer to God than he thinks

Professor Keith Ward

Professorial Research Fellow at Heythrop College

Wednesday 16 November 2016

7.30pm-9.30pm; doors open 7pm

Free admission; donations welcome

St Mary Redcliffe Church

12 Colston Parade

Bristol BS1 6RA

The talk will be based on 'The Grand Design', by Stephen Hawking (Bantam, 2011), and will suggest that the Hawking hypothesis of the dependence of the observed universe on a deeper quantum reality, which, Hawking says, may involve consciousness at some level, is remarkably like traditional Christian belief in God. Thus the talk will consider how some elements of quantum physics are suggestive of the idea of a Cosmic Consciousness – that is, God.

Keith Ward is a Fellow of the British Academy, Regius Professor Emeritus of Divinity at Oxford, and Senior Fellow at Heythrop College, London. He has taught philosophy and theology at various Universities, and written a number of books on religion and science – including God, Chance, and Necessity, and Pascal's Fire (both Oneworld Press).

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CiS Bristol 2016-17 – Science Informing Faith

A series of talks by scientists and theologians

Friday 30 Sept 2016 (7.30pm-9.30pm)

Dr Ian Holyer

COMPUTERS AND LIFE

Tyndale Baptist Church, Bristol BS8 2QG

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WHY STEPHEN HAWKING IS NEARER TO
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Friday 27 January 2017 (7.30pm-9.30pm)

Professor Andrew Briggs

THE PENULTIMATE CURIOSITY: HOW
SCIENCE SWIMS IN THE SLIPSTREAM OF
ULTIMATE QUESTIONS

Tyndale Baptist Church, Bristol BS8 2QG

Friday 10 March 2017 (7.30pm-9.30pm)

Professor Tom McLeish FRS

FAITH AND WISDOM IN SCIENCE

Alma Church, Bristol BS8 2ES

Free admission; donations welcome
Suggested donation £4 to cover costs

Friday 16 June 2017 (7.30pm-9.30pm)

Dr Ruth Bancewicz

WONDERS OF THE LIVING WORLD:
BIOLOGY AND BELIEF

Alma Church and Garden, Bristol BS8 2ES

Friday 29 Sept 2017 (7.30pm-9.30pm)

Professor Alan Millard

DEBATES IN BIBLE ARCHAEOLOGY

Tyndale Baptist Church, Bristol BS8 2QG

Friday 17 Nov 2017 (7.30pm-9.30pm)

Professor Sir Colin Humphries

SCIENCE AND THE HISTORICITY OF THE
BIBLE

Christ Church Clifton, Bristol BS8 3BN

Talks last an hour and are followed with an
extended question time, formal finish 9.30pm.

Doors open at 7pm, for free homemade tea and
cake before the talk starts.

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Dr Christina Biggs, Bristol Local Group leader

For more information and to access recordings of
previous talks visit: www.cis.org.uk/groups/bristol