

Registration Form

Name

Church Name

Address

Phone

I would like to attend the following:

Sunday, February 21 7:00–8:30 pm

Parables Set in the Countryside

Monday, February 22 10:00–11:30 am

Jesus the Teacher, Poetry & Parables*

Monday, February 22 1:00–2:30 pm

Parables of the Hidden Kingdom*

Monday, February 22 7:00–8:30 pm

Parables Set in the Home

Tuesday, February 23 7:00–8:30 pm

Parable of the Lost Child

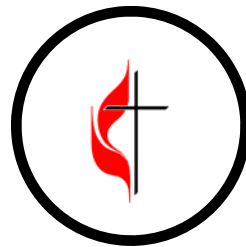
Call 525-1866 or mail to reserve your free spot in any or all lectures.

Laurel United Methodist Church
631 South Grand Ave. West
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LAUREL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Laurel United Methodist Church is to respond to God's love by:

- ☞ Sharing generously
 - ☞ Accepting others
 - ☞ Enjoying one another and God
 - ☞ Seeking spiritual growth
 - ☞ Caring for others
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The Parables of Jesus in First Century Context

presented by
Biblical Archeologist and Scholar
James Fleming, EdD

EVENT SCHEDULE

Sun, Feb. 21	7:00–8:30 pm
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Tues, Feb. 23	7:00–8:30 pm

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The Parables of Jesus in First Century Context

Dr. James Fleming, a world-renown Biblical archeologist and scholar, and a warmly-regarded guest speaker at LUMC several times since 1998, returns to tell Jesus' parables in relationship to the Holy Land's geography and architecture.

You will be amazed at how Dr. Fleming will help you to arrive at the deeper meaning of Jesus' parables by walking you through the geography of the countryside and the archaeology of the village.

Jesus the Teacher might be thought of as a "metaphorical theologian" who uses human stories to illustrate the nature of the Kingdom of God, and as a poet who told us truth in easy-to-remember forms.

Dr. Fleming's photos of many excavations of places from the past will bring you close to the lives of the ancient teachers and prophets, and to the people that heard Jesus.

You will hear well-known parables in each session:

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For Pastors, Staff and Teachers*

The Monday daytime lectures will draw from Jesus' teacher-oriented parables.



About Dr. Fleming

Jim Fleming, EdD, serves as Director of Biblical Resources Study Center (BRSC), an ecumenical organization serving Christians around the world. He has developed courses of study in historical geography and biblical history, uniquely tying the studies with the biblical text and emphasizing the wedding of theological/faith relationships.

Dr. Fleming's lectures weave four perspectives to help us understand Biblical times – archaeology, history, geography, and theology. He uses an ecumenical approach to suggest implications of old and recent discoveries for faith journeys of students. Through his lectures, you will embark on a journey to the ancient lands of the Bible and learn of new discoveries of ancient manuscripts that have added significantly to our understanding of the events, hopes and fears of the people in various Biblical periods.