

Science and Theology, Evolution and Mysticism

A Commuter Retreat



**Teilhard's Mysticism:
Spiraling into the Cosmic Christ
June 16-18, 2017**

**East Liberty Presbyterian Church
116 S. Highland Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15206**

Pierre Teilhard De Chardin

Jesuit paleontologist Pierre Teilhard de Chardin developed one of the the importance of scientific knowledge with its insistence on experience of the physical world sets his mysticism apart. Teilhard's synthesis of religion and science has certainly been a gift to the church, even though church officials at the time were unwilling to accept his views. (Kathleen Duffy, SSJ: Teilhard's Mysticism: Seeing the Inner Face of Evolution)

The Retreat

In an early essay, Jesuit paleontologist Pierre Teilhard de Chardin provides us with a road map into the intensely mystical environment in which he lived and moved. He describes the stages of his mystical growth in terms of five concentric circles. They help us trace his growth and development as he plunged ever more deeply into the heart of matter and into the heart of God, where he found the radiance of a loving, cosmic Person—the God for evolution. Through input, prayer, song, film, contemplative activities, and sharing, we follow Teilhard as he travels ever more deeply from Circle to Circle into the arms of the Cosmic Christ.
Retreat Hours: Friday 6:00 - 9:00 pm; Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm and Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 pm



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Kathleen Duffy, SSJ is Professor of Physics at Chestnut Hill College, where she directs the Interdisciplinary Honors Program and the Institute for Religion and Science. She is editor of *Teilhard Studies* and serves on the Advisory Boards of the American Teilhard Association and Cosmos and Creation.

Registration Form

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Email _____ Dietary Restrictions _____

Suggested donation: \$75 (Please Donate what you can afford), includes coffee, tea, cold water and snacks throughout the weekend and a light lunch on Sunday. Saturday you may bring a brown bag lunch or visit a local restaurant (a guide to local restaurants will be available.)

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