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Please accept the enclosed gift of:

- \$150** or more (Level 1)
- \$300** or more (Level 2)
- \$750** or more (Level 3)
- \$1,000** or more (Level 4)



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CREDIT CARD NUMBER _____ **We do not accept American Express**

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Ticket Preference

Please provide tickets for the following:

- All speakers
- Andy Andrews, November 14, 2016
- Kirsten Powers, January 31, 2017
- Frank Wolf, February 21, 2017
- Leslie Wickman, March 20, 2017

Sponsorships will be processed as they are received and an acknowledgment sent **via email**. Sponsor tickets will be available for pick-up at the Ticket Office at First Presbyterian Church during regular hours and on Sundays beginning October 30, 2016.

Tickets will not be mailed.

Complete this form and mail it with your tax-deductible gift, made payable to First Presbyterian Church (Memo: Bonita Christian Forum), to: First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 2168, Bonita Springs, FL 34133.



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The Bonita Christian Forum is offered to the community at no charge so that the life-transforming message of the Gospel is available to everyone. The Friends of the Forum sponsorship program helps to underwrite each season of speakers.

You can express your support of the Bonita Christian Forum and help to guarantee its place in the culture of our community by becoming a Friend of the Forum for the 2016-2017 season. Consider one of these levels of sponsorship:

Level 1

Gift of **\$150** or more

Friends receive two General Admission tickets for each event. (Note: General Admission seating is located in the Sanctuary and in CenterPoint, and is strictly on a first-come basis the night of the event.)

Level 2

Gift of **\$300** or more

Friends receive reserved seating for two in the Sanctuary for each event.

Level 3

Gift of **\$750** or more

Friends receive preferred reserved seating for **four (4)** in the Sanctuary for each event.

Level 4

Gift of **\$1,000** or more

Friends receive preferred reserved seating for **two (2)** in the Sanctuary for each event, a book by the speaker (whenever possible) and are invited to a private reception and photo with the speaker.

All Friends are acknowledged through a listing in the event program, unless they indicate a preference for anonymity.

ALL GIFTS ARE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE.



For more information, directions, and FREE ticket availability and policies, visit our website:

bonitachristianforum.org



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**BONITA
CHRISTIAN
FORUM**

*Always be prepared to give
an answer to everyone who
asks you to give the reason
for the hope that you have.*

I Peter 3:15

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The Bonita Christian Forum was launched in 2005 by First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs to enrich the cultural and spiritual life of the Bonita Springs area. Its intent is to raise the visibility of the Christian message in our community, to provide a gathering place for Christians from various local congregations, to inspire and challenge those who follow Christ, and to present the life-changing work of Christ to people who have not yet met Him.

In the years since its inception, the Bonita Christian Forum has firmly established its place in our community as a venue for some of the most notable voices of our time sharing their Christian testimony. Beginning with former major league pitcher Dave Dravecky, the Forum has welcomed speakers from the worlds of business, sports, medicine, government, science, film and the media.



ALL events

7:00 PM

First Church Sanctuary

Tickets required

In memory of founding co-chair Bill Wilkerson (1936-2016), we affectionately dedicate our twelfth season.

Andy Andrews

Monday, November 14, 2016 | 7:00 PM

Andy Andrews is a *New York Times* best-selling author, a highly sought after speaker and coach, and a powerful story-teller. He inspires people to reach their potential and discover their purpose in unforgettable ways. He has written over 25 books which have sold more than 3.5 million copies in over 30 languages worldwide, and he has appeared on *Good Morning America*, Fox News, TBN and CNBC. His most recent best-seller, *How Do You Kill 11 Million People*, is a call to America to wake up and take personal responsibility for our nation.



Kirsten Powers

Tuesday, January 31, 2017 | 7:00 PM

Kirsten Powers is a columnist for *USA Today* and frequent contributor to Fox News, PBS and *The Wall Street Journal*. She has served as both a journalist and a political staff member for the Democratic party. Kirsten's story of her conversion to Christ through the ministry of Manhattan's Redeemer Presbyterian Church has appeared in *Christianity Today* and other publications. Her best-selling book *The Silencing* exposes the growing intolerance and threats to freedom of speech and religion in many areas of our culture.



“Adversity is preparation for greatness. I will accept the preparation. I accept responsibility for my past. I can control my thoughts and my emotions. I am responsible for my success.” – Andy Andrews | **“Here’s the problem: disagreement is fine, discrimination is not. ‘Diversity’ should include diversity of thought and belief. Instead, an alarming level of intolerance emanates toward people who express views that don’t hew to a liberal worldview.” – Kirsten Powers** | **“Our conscience is not ultimately allegiant to the state, but to something, and for many people, to Someone, higher. This is important, because if our conscience belongs to the state, the state can choose to violate it or compromise it.” – Frank Wolf** | **“I wrote this book for anyone who has ever wondered, like I did, how to reconcile what science and faith have to say about life’s biggest questions. My hope is that in the process you will recognize more of the God who is big enough to encompass them both.” – Leslie Wickman**

Frank Wolf

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 | 7:00 PM

Congressman Frank Wolf served as a Republican in the U.S. House of Representatives for 17 terms (34 years) from Virginia. He worked in a bipartisan way in Congress and was the author of the International Religious Freedom Act as well as the legislation establishing the Iraq Study Group and the National Commission on Terrorism. Wolf currently holds the Jerry and Susie Wilson Chair in Religious Freedom at Baylor University. He is also Distinguished Senior Fellow at the 21st Century Wilberforce Initiative, which focuses on international and domestic religious liberty.



Leslie Wickman

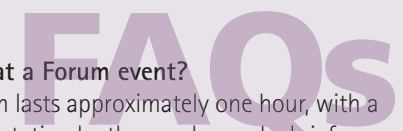
Monday, March 20, 2017 | 7:00 PM

Dr. Leslie Wickman, Ph.D, is a former Lockheed corporate astronaut, rocket scientist and engineer on NASA's Hubble Space Telescope and International Space Station programs. She holds advanced degrees from Stanford and is a research scientist in the aerospace industry, as well as a faculty member at Azusa Pacific University. Leslie is the author of *God of the Big Bang* and a strong advocate of Christians serving in the highest levels of the natural sciences. She is currently the Executive Director of the American Scientific Affiliation, a non-profit organization for Christians working in the sciences.



BONITA CHRISTIAN FORUM

A Ministry of First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs



What happens at a Forum event?

A Forum program lasts approximately one hour, with a 45-minute presentation by the speaker and a brief period of audience Q & A following. Whenever possible we also offer an opportunity for the speaker to personally greet the public.

Where is the Forum held?

A ministry of First Presbyterian Church, Bonita Christian Forum events are held in the First Church Sanctuary, where seating is available on the main floor and in the mezzanine (balcony). All events are open seating; certain sections of the main floor are reserved for our Level 2, 3 and 4 sponsors. Additional seating is available in our CenterPoint room (where the event is viewed via live audio/video feed).

Is handicapped seating available?

The Sanctuary main floor has designated areas reserved for guests in wheelchairs and a companion. Once those areas are full, handicapped guests will be accommodated at the back of the Sanctuary or in CenterPoint. We recommend an early arrival for Sanctuary seating. Safety concerns do not allow for handicapped seating in the Sanctuary mezzanine.

Are tickets required?

Yes! Tickets are free but limited in number to ensure we do not exceed seating capacity.

How do I get tickets?

Friends of the Forum receive tickets in advance based on their level of sponsorship; remaining tickets are distributed to the public free of charge one week before each event.

When should I arrive?

Doors open at 6:15 PM; arrive early for the best choice of seats. All events begin at 7:00 PM.

Guests are welcome to browse our BookCenter or visit with our friends from Moody Radio before and after the program.