The Swope Endowed Lectureship on Ethics, Religion, Faith, and Values

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# Robert P. Jones

# Beyond Values Voters: The Shifting Role of Religion in American Politics

Thursday, Nov. 8, 2012 7:30 p.m. Schneebeck Concert Hall University of Puget Sound



**ROBERT P. JONES** is founding CEO of PRRI (Public Religion Research Institute) and a leading scholar and commentator on religion, values, and public life.

In addition to numerous peer-review articles on religion and public policy, Jones writes a weekly

column, Figuring Faith, for *The Washington Post's* On Faith section. He served for six years on the national steering committee for the Religion and Politics Section at American Academy of Religion and serves on the editorial board for *Politics and Religion*, a journal of the American Political Science Association. He is also an active member of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Society of Christian Ethics, and American Association of Public Opinion Research. Before founding PRRI Jones worked as a consultant and senior research fellow at several think tanks in Washington, D.C., and was assistant professor of religious studies at Missouri State University.

Jones is frequently featured in major national media, such as *CNN*, *NPR*, *The New York Times, The Washington Post, TIME magazine,* and others. He is the author of two academic books: *Progressive & Religious: How Christian, Jewish, Muslim, and Buddhist Leaders are Moving Beyond the Culture Wars and Transforming American Public Life* and *Liberalism's Troubled Search for Equality.* Jones holds a Ph.D. in religion degree from Emory University, where he specialized in the sociology of religion, politics, and religious ethics, and a Master of Divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

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An Evening with Robert P. Jones

Welcome and Introduction by Rev. Dave Wright University Chaplain Swope Committee Chair

Questions and Answers

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Reception following the lecture in Wheelock Student Center, Rasmussen Rotunda

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