

# THE VERDE INDEPENDENT

**Sunday, Feb. 2**

## **Religion and science lecture series**

CLARKDALE — Wayne Ranney, noted geologist and authority on Antarctica, will launch the 2020 Religion and Science Lecture series from 2:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 2, at Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, 330 Scenic Drive in Clarkdale. Everyone is invited to attend this free lecture.

Ranney is a writer and veteran of expedition travel who has visited Antarctica 29 times. He is the recipient of the 2018 American Association of Petroleum Geologists “Geosciences in the Media Award” along with other national and regional honors for his writing, lectures, blog postings and expeditionary guiding. With a home-base of Flagstaff, he has journeyed to-and-lectured-on all of Earth’s seven continents.

In discussing his topic, “Journey to Antarctica: Time Travel Back to the Ice Age,” Ranney will share his insights and photographs to illustrate the importance of Antarctica to the Earth’s climate.

The lecture series is part of the Clergy Letter Project, an association of religious leaders and scientists who believe there is no necessary conflict between religion and science.