



**Faith in Action:** Becoming a Green Chalice Congregation

Deepen your faith, reduce pollution, save money, and foster a thriving, outward-looking church community by becoming a Green Chalice congregation.

## Step 1: Talk about it.

**Form a Green Team.** The first step simply requires someone to gather other church members who are passionate for creation who will commit to meeting regularly to examine the church's practices and to facilitate change.

## Step 2: Make a commitment.

**Sign the Green Chalice Covenant.** Have your Green Team sign the Green Chalice Covenant Online (www.greenchalice.org) as a sign of your commitment.

## Step 3: Get Started.

**Make three changes to help move your congregation toward better caring for God's creation.** Some first step examples:

- 1 Reduce energy consumption (lighting, heat, hot water, insulate)
- 2 Consider clean energy sources like wind, solar (onsite or purchase)
- 3 Create a community garden or butterfly garden
- Weave creation into worship, prayers, hymns, liturgy and sermons
- **5** Provide Eco-Tips in your church newsletter

Congratulations! You are a Green Chalice Ministry!

*Email your three steps to Green Chalice Minister Carol Devine (www.greenchalice.org) and receive a certificate and recognition.* 

And, there is more you can do! Make a plan to become a Certified Green Chalice Congregation at greenchalice.org "Green Chalice Program."

Go to www.greenchalice.org and www.blessedtomorrow.org for more ideas and resources.