

Mission

Disciples of Christ connecting Christian faith, spiritual practice and creation consciousness in order to demonstrate the fullness of God's shalom.



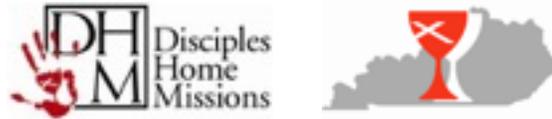
Join Green Chalice

1. Form a "Creation Care Team" in your place of ministry to evaluate, educate and guide stewardship of creation initiatives.
2. Adopt and sign the Green Chalice Covenant as a team, ministry, or congregation. (greenchalice.org)
3. Inventory your ministry's creation care practices, make three changes, Email the Green Chalice minister the above information.

Resources

greenchalice.org
blessedtommorrow.org
interfaithpowerandlight.org
creationjustice.org
greenthechurch.org
naacp.org/environmental-climate-justice

***Green Chalice is
A partnership ministry of
Disciples Home Missions
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Kentucky***



If your congregation is interested in saving money and improving the health of the community - contact Carol Devine or Scott Hardin-Nieri

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CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)



CREATION CARE MINISTRY

***"The earth is the Lord's and
all that is in it, the world,
and those who live in it"-***

Green Chalice Covenant

As children of God and followers of Christ Jesus, we covenant to:

Worship God with all creation and pray for the healing of the earth.

Study the climate crisis and engage others in climate solutions.

Repent and forgive for the harm we have inflicted on the earth that sustains life.

Advocate for ecojustice public policies and witness by living sustainable lifestyles.

Rest in God's good creation and invite others to delight in nature.



Carbon Neutral by 2030

The 2017 General Assembly passed a resolution calling for the denomination to become Carbon Neutral by 2030. This requires a reduction of our energy consumption, using clean energy and supporting offsets. This is an opportunity to actively live our faith, support energy sovereignty, clean energy jobs and a thriving future for all God's people.

"Environmental injustices, including climate change, have a disproportionate impact on communities of color and low income communities in the United States and around the world." NAACP Environment and Climate Justice

Save \$ and Energy

61% of energy in the U.S. goes to waste. These steps will save money and multiply resources for ministry.

LED Lights: Replace light bulbs with LED lights and cut lighting costs by 90%

Insulate: Windows, doors, water heaters, walls and ceilings. Cut HVAC costs by 50%

Programmable Thermostats: Install, program, and experience savings.

Water: Install sink aerators & low-flow toilets, Stop using plastic water bottles

Transportation: Carpool and encourage active transportation (biking and walking).

Reduce: Print less and on both sides of paper, email newsletters, & recycle

Reuse: Use real dishes and cloth napkins

History

Eco-justice ministries in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) grew out of the 1977 General Assembly resolution that called for the development of a Task Force on Ecology who then wrote the Alverna Covenant. Eco-justice resolutions have been adopted at General Assemblies since 1971 helping Disciples connect creation care, social justice and their faith lives.

Around 185 Green Chalice Congregations and Ministries are living out their faith by caring for God's creation. To learn more and join the Green Chalice family, go to greenchalice.org and click Green Chalice Program.

Recent Green Chalice Resolutions:
Concerning Environmental Racism 2015
Concerning Carbon Neutrality 2017

Mark 12:30-31	Psalm 24
Genesis 1:1, 31	Psalm 89:11
Genesis 2:15	Psalm 95:3-5
Exodus 23:10-11	Psalm 104:24-25
Leviticus 18:26, 28	Psalm 145:9, 13
Leviticus 25:2-5	Psalm 148
Numbers 35:33-34	Isaiah 55:12
Deuteronomy 10:14	Jeremiah 2:7
1 Chronicles 29:11	Hosea 2:18
Nehemiah 9:6	John 1:3
Job 12:7-10	1 Corinthians 10:26
Job 26:7-9, 11-14	Colossians 1:15-16
Job 41:11	Hebrews 1:2
Psalm 19:1-4	Revelation 22:1-2