We are Disciples of Christ connecting Christian faith, spiritual practice, creation care, environmental justice to support healthy communities, congregations and clergy in a climate changed world.

#### What we offer

- Education and Inspiration
- Green Chalice Certification
- Relationships with other creation care churches
- Preaching resources and support
- Clergy retreats and training
- Creation Care/Climate Ambassador trainings
- Creation Care/Eco Justice Retreats
- Opportunities for collaboration with like hearted organizations
- Policy information, advocacy consulting
- Disaster Preparedness/community resilience training

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#### **Scriptural References**

Mark 12:30-31 Genesis 1:1, 31 Genesis 2:15 Exodus 23:10-11 Leviticus 25:2-5 Numbers 35:33-34 Deut. 10:14 1 Chr. 29:11 Nehemiah 9:6 Job 12:7-10 Psalm 19:1-4 Psalm 24 Psalm 95:3-5 Psalm 145:9,13 Psalm 148 Isaiah 55 Micah 6:8 Jeremiah 2:7 Hosea 2:18 John 1:3 1 Corin. 10:26 Col. 1:15-16 Hebrews 1:2 Rev. 22:1-2

# GREEN CHALICE







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## Creation Care Ministries

"God has told you, O people, what is good, and what does the Lord require of you, but to **do justice** and to **love kindness** and to **walk humbly with your God?"** ~ Micah 6:8

### Steps to Becoming a Green Chalice Church



- 1. Form a Creation Care Team.
- 2. Adopt and sign the Green Chalice Covenant.
- 3. Make three creation care changes.

### **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.

#### Empower Yourself to Make a Difference: Become a Green Chalice Climate Ambassador

The free, self-paced virtual training and resources will equip you with the knowledge, hands-on experience, and resources to feel comfortable talking about climate change and confident acting on climate solutions.

Scan the QR code below to sign up!



#### Good Steps for loving neighbors and creation

- 1. **Talk to others** about creation care and climate change.- see ambassador training
- 2. Save energy and \$-start with energy audit
- 3. Weatherize church and home (replace windows, insulate, assess HVAC and water heaters)
- 4. Grow food & share with neighbors
- 5. Seek policies that support democracy, creation care & care for the most vulnerable.
- 6. **Eat** a plant rich diet
- 7. Explore renewable energy- solar & wind
- 8. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
- 9. Support public transportation, walking + biking

and fuel efficient + electric vehicles

- 10. Learn about and prepart for potential disasters, host trainings and become more hospitable to those in need
- 11. **Protect and cultivate wild spaces;** plant native trees and plants
- 12. Offer spiritual and pastoral care for eco anxiety, grief, and collective trauma



#### **History**

Eco-justice ministries in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) grew out of the 1977 General Assembly resolution developing a Task Force on Ecology, author of the Alverna Covenant.

Green Chalice began in 2007 in Kentucky and now includesover 230 Congregations and ministries, joining countless others within our denomination and beyond who are celebrating God's creation and caring for neighbors.

Recent Green Chalice resolutions include Concerning Environmental Racism in 2015 and Concerning Carbon Neutrality in 2017

