
St. Luke's United Methodist Church

The Green Ministry: For Environmental Harmony

Outline

- Our History
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History

- Spirit in Place Meeting, 11/06 at UUI
- Interest Meeting at St. Luke's 11/15/06
- United Methodist Church Social Principles
- Mission Statement & Pledge
- Congregation survey on green practices and awareness
- Subcommittees formed
- Programs and goals identified

Our Mission

- The Green Ministries Mission is to celebrate God's creation by EDUCATING, ENCOURAGING, and ENABLING the St. Luke's United Methodist Church community to conserve resources and renew enviromental harmony.

Our Programs

- Education
 - “90 in 90”: Care for Creation
 - Green Ministries reusable shopping bags
 - Green Ministries Pledge

Our Programs

- Our Pledge:
 - I Believe:
 - All creation is a gift from God
 - All parts of creation are interdependent
 - God calls me to act responsibly toward creation for the sake of future generations
 - Therefore I will:
 - Learn what adversely affects creation so that I can work to reverse problems
 - Live more simply so there are adequate provisions for all
 - Pray for harmony in all of God's creation

Our Programs

- Education
 - Monthly Green Focus
 - Handouts
 - Composting
 - Hybrid Cars
 - Classes:
 - Low Carbon Diet Climate Change
 - Spirituality and God's Creation: Healing & Wholeness in Biblical Ecology
 - Video presentations
 - Who Killed the Electric Car?
 - Planet Earth
 - The Man Who Planted Trees
 - Power Shift
 - An Inconvenient Truth



Our Programs

- Recycling
 - Plastics #3-#7
 - Abitibi Paper Recycling
 - Recycling Center
 - Toys
 - Eyeglasses
 - Computers, etc.



Our Programs

- Go and Do
 - Work Day
 - Michaela Farm, Oldenburg, IN
 - Sisters of St. Francis
 - Field Trips
 - Indianapolis Recycled Fiber
 - Trader's Point Creamery & Organic Farm
 - Tree Planting
 - Peace Walk with Global Peace Initiatives









Our Future

- Goals

- Audit of buildings and operations
- Internal recycling programs
- Become a recycling center for the community
- Continue to educate, encourage, and enable

- Programs

- The Climate Project with Pat Galyan
 - Friday, December 7 7-9pm Fellowship Hall
- Stabilization Wedge “Game” – How would you change the level of CO₂ in our atmosphere? With Linda Vernon
 - Saturday February 2, 2008 1-4pm E107/109
- Monthly Green Focus
 - December: Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs
 - January: Green Cleaning for your home
 - February: Eco-conscious Homes

Closing Comments

- Foster partnerships with other congregations and organizations
- Questions??