

Happy
Earth day from your
DIOCESAN
ENVIRONMENTAL
COMMISSION



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"This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it" -Psalm 118:24

We are blessed with an extraordinarily beautiful day as we mark Earth Day. I pray you have an opportunity to be outside and marvel at God's creation.

Your environmental commission is made up of eleven lay people and clergy who love God's creation and think deeply about the intersection of that creation and our daily lives. More importantly, we are mobilizing our passion into action around three areas of Creation Care:

1. Field Experiences- offering outdoor events to facilitate one's communion with nature.
2. Worship and Education—We educate our parishioners and clergy about the importance of Creation Care in relation to our theology and then incorporate those principles into our worship life.
3. Policy and Advocacy- using our voices in the public arena to fulfill the trustee role God has bestowed upon us.

We meet quarterly, mostly by Zoom but also in person. We invite you to join our efforts on the diocesan level and/or establish a Creation Care initiative in your local church. If you would like assistance or support, please reach out to us.



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Links to inspire your journey!

Here are a few links that we have found helpful and hope they will inspire you in your Creation Care journey:

- For parents trying to get as much outdoor time with their children, try this podcast: [Click Here](#)
- or this blog to help parents hoping to engage in the outdoors with their children: [Click Here](#)
- Center for Deep Green Faith: [Click Here](#)
- Center for Spirituality in Nature: [Click Here](#)
- ECUSA: <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/creation-care/>
- Lectio Tierra, Practicing Awe and Wonder: [Click Here](#)
- Creation Justice Ministries: <https://www.creationjustice.org/>
- One Home, One Future: <https://www.onehomeonefuture.org/>

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Rev. Deacon Charmaine Kathmann, Andrew Wilson, Molly Blackwell, Wade Hammett,
Cindy Schmidt, and Meghan Weaver.



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