St. Luke’s United Methodist Church

The Green Ministry: For Environmental Harmony
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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 environmental 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
Foster partnerships with other congregations and organizations

Questions??