

Grace Creation Care

October, 2024



Loving Formation (Pray)

Geese appear high over us,
pass, and the sky closes. Abandon,
as in love or sleep, holds
them to their way, clear
in the ancient faith: what we need
is here. And we pray, not
for new earth or heaven, but to be
quiet in heart, and in eye,
clear. What we need is here.

—*What We Need is Here* by Wendell Berry

Liberating Advocacy (Advocate & Learn)

Coming in 2025!!!! “Love God, Love God’s World” Creation Care Curriculum

Love God, Love God’s World is a nine-session, film-based curriculum, ideal for Episcopalians anywhere on the journey with creation care and environmental ministry—from newcomers looking to take their first step to seasoned leaders seeking a transformative small-group experience.

Sessions have a similar structure to the popular Sacred Ground curriculum and include compelling films and readings, faith-based reflections, and discussion questions—each written by different contributors who draw from their own contexts and experiences. Participants will also discover ways to learn, pray, advocate, and conserve.

We hope everyone who participates in the curriculum becomes:

- Comfortable speaking about their faith, care of creation, and climate change
- Personally transformed and invited into different levels of personal and collective

- engagement on creation care and eco-justice
- Confident about where to find creation care resources and information

There are nine sessions divided into three sections:

1. What is God’s Dream?
2. Truth-Telling
3. Restoring the Covenant, Repairing the Earth

(From the ECUSA Website [Sessions and Authors – The Episcopal Church](#))

Life-giving Conservation (Act)

Holy Hikes is a church-wide eco-ministry network affiliated with the Episcopal Church, the Anglican Communion, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. It was developed with the goal of helping individuals be renewed in their relationship with the earth, the Church, and the Creator. Holy Hikes calls us beyond the walls of comfort, to take a step (or a hike!) towards reunion with the earth and all of its life and beauty.

The next Holy Hike that Grace folk and friends of Grace Church can participate in is on Saturday NOVEMBER 2nd at 1PM, honoring ALL SOULS Day!



**Maple Hills Cemetery
200 N. Lake St.
Cadillac, MI 49601**

If you want to carpool meet in the parking lot of Grace Episcopal Church at 11:00 am.