

# *EcoFaith Network Resources*

*(Compiled by the NE Minnesota Synod Leadership Team)*

## **EcoFaith Network Northeastern MN Synod/ELCA**

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**Resources available on the NE MN Synod/ELCA EcoFaith Network web pages  
at: [www.nemnsynod.org/eco-faith.html](http://www.nemnsynod.org/eco-faith.html)**

- Micro-grant applications and resources
- ELCA's Social Statement: *Caring for Creation: Vision, Hope and Justice*
- PDFs to download:
  - Becoming a Creation Caring Congregation
  - Checklist for Green Congregations
  - Earth Stewardship and the [Missio Dei](#): Participating in the Care and Redemption of All God Has Made
  - Lutheran Church of the Cross, Blessing of Seeds Service
  - Seasons of Creation Overview
  - Three Year Seasons of Creation Readings
- Speakers Bureau Brochure
- Becoming a Creation Care Congregation: Starting a Creation Care Team
- Archives of EcoFaith Network ENews
- Special Creation Care Initiatives
- **Lutherans Restoring Creation** [www.lutheransrestoringcreation.org](http://www.lutheransrestoringcreation.org)

Lutherans Restoring Creation is an ELCA wide membership network with opportunities to become Covenant Congregations, and for working with Green Shepherds and Creation Care Coaches.

## Northeastern Minnesota Synod Watershed Initiative

We All Live in a Watershed Fact Sheet  
Our Watershed Moment Toolkit  
Northeastern Minnesota Watershed Map

### Faith and Clean Energy Initiative

Energy-Themed Worship Mini-Toolkit  
Faith & Clean Energy Toolkit

### **Worship Resources:**

- 1) **Season of Creation** alternative 5-week lectionary [www.seasonofcreation.com](http://www.seasonofcreation.com)
- 2) **Liturgy for Earthkeeping** created by Dakota Road for Luther College [www.dakotaroadmusic.com](http://www.dakotaroadmusic.com)

### **General Resources:**

- **Lutherans Restoring Creation:**

[www.lutheransrestoringcreation.org](http://www.lutheransrestoringcreation.org)

Resources for individuals, congregations, pastors, youth workers, colleges and universities, seminaries, regions, and synods, including resources for preaching, education, adult forums and bible studies.

- **ELCA Caring for Creation Resources** <https://www.elca.org/Resources/Caring-for-Creation>

**Resources for congregations, including downloadable** study guides; individuals, including the multi-lesson Living Earth series; and a list of creation care organizations to help congregations and leaders develop an environmental ministry.

- **Web of Creation** [www.webofcreation.org](http://www.webofcreation.org)

Bible verses about caring for creation; links to EcoFaith groups, the Earth Bible Project and more.

- **Congregations Caring for Creation** <https://www.c3mn.net>

Worship, ritual, and spiritual resources as well as educational materials

- **Earthbound: Created and Called to Care for Creation**, DVD video series ideal for adult study/confirmation

<https://www.selectlearning.org/store/all/earthbound-created-and-called-care-creation-dvd>

- **35 Ideas for Your Congregation**

<https://www.lutheransrestoringcreation.org/35-ideas-for-your-congregation>

- **Environmental Guide for Congregations, Their Buildings and Grounds**

<https://www.webofcreation.org/Environmental%20Guide.pdf>

## **Lutheran, Ecumenical and Interfaith Creation Care Organizations**

- **Creation Justice Ministries**

[www.creationjustice.org](http://www.creationjustice.org)

Resources to equip and mobilize Christian communions/denominations, congregations and individuals to protect and restore God's creation, e.g. Earth Day Sunday materials for reflection, education and worship.

- **Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability**

[www.irpsmn.org](http://www.irpsmn.org)

IRPS builds active partnerships for environmental, economic, and community flourishing in northeastern Minnesota. It hosts the annual Iron Range Earth Fest for northeastern Minnesota.

- **Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light**

<https://mnipl.org/>

MNIPL is a faith-based response to climate change, helping congregations to respond through the promotion of energy conservation, energy efficiency and renewable energy and people of faith raise their voices in the policy-making arena to advance clean energy and limit carbon pollution.

- **Earth Ministry**

[www.earthministry.org](http://www.earthministry.org)

Earth Ministry is a faith-based organization in Washington state engaging the Christian community in environmental stewardship. Resources include a handbook for creation care in congregations.

- **Green Faith**

[www.greenfaith.org](http://www.greenfaith.org)

Green Faith works to inspire, educate and mobilize people of diverse religious backgrounds for environmental leadership. Programs include the GreenFaith Certification for congregations and the Greenfaith Fellowship program for individuals.

- **Energy Star for Congregations**

[www.energystar.gov/congregations](http://www.energystar.gov/congregations)

This is a federal government initiative to help congregations cut their energy use, save money and protect the environment. Resources include an Energy Star Guide for Congregations.