## Lutheran, Ecumenical and Interfaith Creation Care Organizations



**Lutherans Restoring Creation** (<u>www.lutheransrestoringcreation.org</u>) is a grassroots program designed to encourage the ELCA to incorporate care for creation into its full life and mission at all expressions – congregationally, synodically and nationally. Resources include a manual to "green" your congregation and the Energy Stewards program to help congregations reduce their energy use, cut costs and protect the environment.

Creation Justice Ministries (www.creationjustice.org) educates, equips and mobilizes Orthodox and Christian communions/denominations, congregations and individuals to protect and restore God's creation. Based on the priorities of its members, with a particular concern for the vulnerable and marginalized, this ministry provides collaborative opportunities to build ecumenical community, guides people of faith and faith communities towards eco-justice transformations, and raises a collective witness in the public arena echoing Christ's call for just relationships among all of creation. Resources include annual "Earth Day Sunday" materials for reflection, education and worship.

Interfaith Power and Light (<a href="www.interfaithpowerandlight.org">www.interfaithpowerandlight.org</a>) 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. There are IPL chapters in many states.

**Earth Ministry** (www.earthministry.org) is a faith-based organization in Washington state committed to engaging the Christian community in environmental stewardship. Resources include a handbook for congregations engaging in creation care ministries.

**Green Faith** (<u>www.greenfaith.org</u>) 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** (<a href="www.energystar.gov/congregations">www.energystar.gov/congregations</a>) 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.