

# Celebrating Earth Month APRIL 2025



# Mennonite Church Canada invites you to celebrate Earth Month 2025!

God calls us to care for Creation, which sustains, heals and connects all of us across the globe.

Explore these resources to find your next step in Creation Care!

# Climate Action Ministry

- Supports church leaders (young and old) in developing their voice around Spirituality and Environmental Issues
- Connects Mennonite
   Church Canada with
   partners around the
   globe
- Helps share Creation
   Care ideas and stories
   across the nationwide
   family faith
- Supports the working group in your region to engage holistically around Creation Care and Climate Action.

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# Ideas to help you...

# **Incorporate Earth Month Themes into Worship:**

- Voices Together **Hymn Sing Blueprint** 
  - o "Our Environment: Lament and Creation Care" here
- Wendy Janzen's "Creation Care Lament and Hope"
  - o a Wild Church Communion Service here
- Check out CommonWord's Creation Care Sunday collection <a href="here">here</a>

# Dig into stewardship and energy use questions:

- Join the Emissions Reduction Grant 2024 Celebration and 2025
   Launch on zoom April 23, 7pm (CT)
  - We'll hear stories from each of the 2025 grant recipients and discuss about the place of efficiency actions in the bigger work of Creation Care/Climate Action.
  - Click here to join on April 23, 7pm CT!
  - Host a Watch Party of this online event. Simply email me (Sandy Plett) to receive the zoom link and a set of discussion questions. Then make some snacks and invite your friends! And don't forget to ask for donations for MC Canada's Climate Action Ministry!

# **Get moving:**

Build community connections and resilience by organizing locally for good!

- Organize a neighbourhood cleanup (<u>Here's</u> a simple how-to guide)
- Host a mending circle invite your friends and community to bring torn and damaged clothing together for a mending circle. Choose a day, invite folks, make snacks and build community while extending the life of clothes and textile items in your life!
- If mending and repairing things is your jam, consider getting together with some friends to host a Repair Café! Check out this great guide for how-to!

# **Address Over-consumption:**

- Host family and friends for a "Buy Now" Watch Party (<u>"Buy Now" trailer here</u>)
  - All you need to do is make some snacks and invite your friends over to watch and discuss.
     Don't forget to ask for donations for MC Canada's Climate Action Ministry!
- This conversation would pair nicely with a study of Doris Janzen Longacre's <u>Living More with Less:</u> <u>Stories and Suggestions for a Sustainable Life</u>

# Raise your voice:

Read up on the following climate action campaigns, sign to show your support!

- Sign Mennonite Central Committee's Climate Action For Peace advocacy letters <u>here</u>
- Take the Climate Action for Peace Pledge here
- Sign the *Give it up for the Earth* campaign letter to the ministers <u>here</u>
- Explore all of Citizens for Public Justice's Give it Up For the Earth suggestions here
- Sign the Jubilee 2025 Petition: Turn Debt into Hope here

### Need more ideas? Contact me and let's chat!

What to do with all the funds you collect?

Donate here to support the Climate Action Ministry of Mennonite Church Canada (Scroll down and select "Climate

Action")

Let's walk together in our Care for Creation!

Sandy



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