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:

Mennonite

Church Canada

- 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

 "Our Environment: Lament and Creation Care" <u>here</u>
- Wendy Janzen's "Creation Care Lament and Hope"
 a Wild Church Communion Service <u>here</u>
- Check out CommonWord's Creation Care Sunday collection here

Dig into stewardship and energy use questions:

- Join the *Emissions Reduction Grant 2024 Celebration and 2025 Launch* on zoom - April 23, 7pm (CT)
 - 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.
 - <u>Click here to join on April 23, 7pm CT!</u>
 - Host a Watch Party of this online event. Simply email me (<u>Sandy Plett</u>) to receive the zoom link and a set of discussion questions. Then make some snacks and invite your friends! Consider asking for donations to support 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 a simple how-to guide</u>)
- 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! <u>Check out this great guide for how-to!</u>

Address Over-consumption:

- Host family and friends for a "Buy Now! The Shopping Conspiracy" Watch Party (trailer here)
 - Pop some corn and invite your friends over to watch and discuss. Consider asking for donations to support 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 here
- Take the Climate Action for Peace Pledge here
- Sign the Give it up for the Earth campaign letter to the ministers here
- 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 <u>me</u> and let's chat!

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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