



Earth Ministry Greening Congregation Mission Statement

Your faith community is encouraged to develop a mission statement unique to your interests, passions, and beliefs. However, you are more than welcome to adopt or adapt this mission statement as your own.

- ✓ We are called to live in harmony with the environment, respecting and honoring the gifts of God's creation. As people of faith, we affirm that all of God's creation is sacred. As a community of faith, we engage in activities that protect God's creation and conserve resources.
- ✓ We are called to be good stewards of God's garden. Drawing on our Christian tradition, we choose to live more lightly upon the Earth. We choose to work together to green our shared lives and facilities, and show our love for the Creator by honoring the gifts we have been given.
- ✓ We are called to be a caring people, concerned about both the health of our neighbors and our Earth home. We strive to be faithful advocates for all creation, serving as stewards in our personal lives and our faith community, as well as through advocating for environmental protection.

Mission Statement Examples from other Greening Congregations

- ✓ "We are called to open our eyes to the profound mystery of God's creation and to vision for ourselves and others a new world in which nature is reclaimed, nurtured, and celebrated for future generations. We pledge ourselves to seek and follow ways to live lightly, with love and respect, for this precious earth, our home."
– Seattle First Baptist Church
- ✓ "As stewards of God's creation, we are emboldened by our faith to understand, protect, preserve and conserve God's good earth."
– University Church in University Place
- ✓ "As a Greening Congregation, we seek to express our love for God by showing reverence for the Earth and all of its creatures. Toward this end, we will seek a greater understanding of our right relationship with creation, steward Earth's resources more justly and sustainably, and partner with neighbors near and far to advocate for the personal and public practices which advance these aims."
– Olympic View Community Church