

Resource List I for “Caring for our Common Home”

Episcopal Church Resources

www.episcopalchurch.org/creation-care

A general introduction to what the Episcopal Church is doing in terms of care for our planet. There are dozens of suggestions for things we can do and programs and activities that we can originate or join. The website is introduced by a little video which in its turn is introduced by Presiding Bishop Michael Curry.

www.sustainislandhome.org

This is another site introduced by Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. This one includes a carbon footprint tracker, allowing us to calculate our personal carbon footprint, and it provides many actions we can take to reduce it.

www.RevivingCreation.org

This is the website of Rev. Margaret Bullitt-Jones, Episcopal priest and Missioner for Creation Care for the Diocese of Western Massachusetts. It contains links to news, articles, interviews, books, and other tools for caring for the planet. Rev. Bullitt-Jones says in the introduction to her site: “This Website is a base camp, giving people a place to rest and reflect, to learn and find encouragement. Some viewers maybe burned-out activists, looking for spiritual sustenance. Some may be seekers, wondering how faith and ecology connect. Some may be looking for a bit of insight, a flash of humor, or an idea for what to do next in their ongoing quest to be agents of healing, hope, and justice in the world. The planet needs everybody’s gifts and everyone has a part to play. Thank you for participating in the great work to protect life on Earth. This is an all-hands-on-deck moment, and we’re glad you’re here.”

Interfaith Resources

www.interfaithpowerandlight.org

This is the site of an organization based in Oakland, whose goal is to “inspire and mobilize people of faith and conscience to take bold and just action on climate change.” It subtitles itself as “A Religious Response to Global Warming.” See especially the section called “Take Action,” which contains assistance in calling or writing the EPA, Congress, and even the President on climate issues.

www.creationjustice.org

A website dedicated to helping Christian communities to act effectively in the climate crisis. See especially a list of suggestions (updated monthly) for what we can do *now*.

www.greenfaith.org

“A world-wide multi-faith climate and environmental movement.” See especially its “Action” tab for world-wide events being scheduled, with which individuals or groups or churches can join. See, e.g., those set for October 17 and October 18.

www.youtube.com

Search for “Global Weirding with Katherine Hayhoe.” This isn’t precisely a faith website. It’s a series produced by PBS. But Katherine Hayhoe, who is a world authority on global warming, is also an Evangelical Christian and is married to an Evangelical Christian minister. She is in addition an engaging and charming presence on the screen. There are dozens of her programs, all of them worth watching, but one called “I’m just one person, what can I do?” is perhaps a good place to start. (This is the same Katherine Hayhoe another of whose videos Kathy Stoner has encouraged us to watch before our next meeting.)

The Four-Minute “Fourth Second” video whose link was included in the announcement for this Christian Formation class

https://vimeo.com/208145716?ref=fb-share&fbclid=IwAR3KKEdZN77bAdMII54NR9K57cYm7lSTS9_TlujJa1_ZeGuL23apbRXOIbI

This is a prize-winning video, a sort of semi-rap about global warming. It condenses the first chapter in Jim Antal’s book, “The Situation in Which We Find Ourselves.” Its point is very much the same as Pogo’s in Walt Kelly’s comic strip fifty years ago: “We have met the enemy, and it is us.” Do watch it if you can.