



Moving ministries forward, *together.*

Stewardship of Creation: Ideas for Your Ministry

- Form a creation care team to promote creation care year-round
- Conduct an energy audit in your church. Look at how the congregation is using energy as well as how individuals are using energy in their homes.
- Reduce, reuse, recycle. Avoid Styrofoam and plastic. Make sure there are recycling bins around the church facilities. Host a congregational garage sale.
- Green your grounds. Plant a garden and give the produce away, or simply plant more trees. Pay attention to how the church campus could be used to plant native species and to educate people on ecology.
- Host workshops, small group discussions, and more on ecological issues such as endangered species, alternative energy sources, water conservation, or other environmental concerns in your area.
- Drive less together. Encourage carpooling for church events, organize walks or bike rides, and share what this means for carbon emissions.
- Engage in community needs, such as road/greenway trash pick-ups or stream/river clean-ups.
- Go local. Encourage people to support local farmers and vendors. Have lists accessible on the church's website and in other places.
- Include creation care in worship. Utilize creation content from *The Moravian Covenant for Christian Living* as well as liturgies and hymns in the *Moravian Book of Worship*.