

The Season of Creation Parishioner Survey Results are in!
Thanks for taking part, and here are some of the things we do to...

Help care for creation: Reuse or repurpose everything we can •

donate instead of tossing • Buy only what we need • Walk or bike • combine errands to reduce trips • Electric lawnmower • Shop local • Use beeswax bags and wraps instead of plastic • Summer AC set to 76-78 °F and winter furnace set to 67°F • Put out bird feeders • Reusable grocery and produce bags • Low dryer setting with dryer balls or hang dry • Purchase Fair Trade • Recycle • Pick up litter • Drive an EV or fuel efficient vehicle • Reuse containers • Compost • No bottled water or Styrofoam • Take own leftover container to avoid Styrofoam at restaurants • Use real dishes, cutlery and cloth napkins instead of disposable • Insulate home and seal windows and doors well • Stay informed, vote for officials who protect the environment, and encourage elected officials and policy makers to take action to care for the environment • Find and use “earth-friendly” alternatives to hazardous household products • Properly dispose of hazardous waste and medicine • Strive to purchase products from and invest in companies that protect the environment • LED bulbs • Plant trees and a pollinator-friendly garden • Reduce air travel • Enroll in DTE’s MIGreenPower renewable energy program



A Mighty River
Amos 5: 24

**Let Justice
and Peace Flow**

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Help conserve water: Only run the dishwasher and washer when full • Minimize lawn sprinkler use and don’t run during the heat of day or when there is rain • Turn water off when brushing teeth or scrubbing dishes • Quick and fewer showers • We teach our children to be mindful of how much water they use when bathing • Use dishwasher instead of hand washing • Mow high and mulch the grass • “Spot” water with a watering can instead of running sprinklers

Connect our actions to the theme of “Caring for God’s Creation:” “The Earth is God’s creation, and we are its stewards.” • “By not being wasteful.” • “Everything God has given us is a gift, and we should not waste it or abuse it.” • “We need to preserve the balance of health in our planet to pass it on to the next generation. Much of the waste and environmental harm done by families today is due to laziness. We serve a generous God, and we owe Him the respect of caring for the gifts He gives us.” • “God made this beautiful world; the last thing I want is to disappoint Him, and myself, by not doing what I can to make a positive difference.” • “We remind each other to be good stewards of what God gave us.” • “We pray that our government leaders support environmental causes and encourage them to do so by making our opinions known to them.” • “God gave us a command to be good stewards of creation. If the Earth is not healthy, it is harder to feed the poor. They are first to suffer with extreme weather due to climate change.”