EcoFaith Network Resources
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Resources available on the NE MN Synod/ELCA EcoFaith Network web pages at:
www.nemnsynod.org/eco-faith.html

- Micro-grant applications and resources
- ELCA's Social Statement: Caring for Creation: Vision, Hope and Justice
- PDFs to download:
  --Becoming a Creation Caring Congregation
  --Checklist for Green Congregations
  --Earth Stewardship and the Missio Dei: Participating in the Care and Redemption of All God Has Made
  --Lutheran Church of the Cross, Blessing of Seeds Service
  --Seasons of Creation Overview
  --Three Year Seasons of Creation Readings
- Speaker's Bureau Brochure
- Becoming a Creation Care Congregation: Starting a Creation Care Team
- Archives of EcoFaith Network ENews
- Special Creation Care Initiatives
  Northeastern Minnesota Synod Watershed Initiative
    We All Live in a Watershed Fact Sheet
    Our Watershed Moment Toolkit
    Northeastern Minnesota Watershed Map
  Faith and Clean Energy Initiative
    Energy-Themed Worship Mini-Toolkit
    Faith & Clean Energy Toolkit

Worship Resources:
1) Season of Creation — alternative 5-week lectionary www.seasonofcreation.com

2) Liturgy for Earthkeeping — created by Dakota Road for Luther College www.dakotaroadmusic.com

General Resources:
  Resources for individuals, congregations, pastors, youth workers, colleges and universities, seminaries, regions, and synods, including resources for preaching, education, adult forums and bible studies.

- ELCA Caring for Creation Resources  https://www.elca.org/Resources/Caring-for-Creation
  Resources for congregations, including downloadable study guides; individuals, including the multi-lesson Living Earth series; and a list of creation care organizations to help congregations and leaders develop an environmental ministry.
• **Web of Creation**  [www.webofcreation.org](http://www.webofcreation.org)
  Bible verses about caring for creation; links to EcoFaith groups, the Earth Bible Project and more.

• **Congregations Caring for Creation**  [http://www.c3mn.net](http://www.c3mn.net)
  Worship, ritual, and spiritual resources as well as educational materials

• **Earthbound: Created and Called to Care for Creation**, DVD video series ideal for adult study/confirmation

• **35 Ideas for Your Congregation**
  [http://www.lutheransrestoringcreation.org/35-ideas-for-your-congregation](http://www.lutheransrestoringcreation.org/35-ideas-for-your-congregation)

• **Environmental Guide for Congregations, Their Buildings and Grounds**
  [https://www.webofcreation.org/Environmental%20Guide.pdf](https://www.webofcreation.org/Environmental%20Guide.pdf)

### Lutheran, Ecumenical and Interfaith Creation Care Organizations

• **Creation Justice Ministries**  [www.creationjustice.org](http://www.creationjustice.org)
  Resources to equip and mobilize Christian communions/denominations, congregations and individuals to protect and restore God's creation, e.g. “Earth Day Sunday” materials for reflection, education and worship.

• **Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability**  [www.irpsmn.org](http://www.irpsmn.org)
  IRPS builds active partnerships for environmental, economic, and community flourishing in northeastern Minnesota. It hosts the annual Iron Range Earth Fest for northeastern Minnesota.

• **Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light**  [https://mnipl.org/](https://mnipl.org/)
  MN IPL is a faith-based response to climate change, helping congregations to respond through the promotion of energy conservation, energy efficiency and renewable energy and people of faith raise their voices in the policy-making arena to advance clean energy and limit carbon pollution.

• **Earth Ministry**  [www.earthministry.org](http://www.earthministry.org)
  Earth Ministry is a faith-based organization in Washington state engaging the Christian community in environmental stewardship. Resources include a handbook for creation care in congregations.

• **Green Faith**  [www.greenfaith.org](http://www.greenfaith.org)
  Green Faith works to inspire, educate and mobilize people of diverse religious backgrounds for environmental leadership. Programs include the “GreenFaith Certification” for congregations and the “Greenfaith Fellowship” program for individuals.

• **Energy Star for Congregations**  [www.energystar.gov/congregations](http://www.energystar.gov/congregations)
  This is a federal government initiative to help congregations cut their energy use, save money and protect the environment. Resources include an Energy Star Guide for Congregations.

• **Lutherans Restoring Creation**  [www.lutheransrestoringcreation.org](http://www.lutheransrestoringcreation.org)
  Lutherans Restoring Creation is an ELCA wide membership network with opportunities to become Covenant Congregations, and for working with Green Shepherds and Creation Care Coaches.