

**THE GREEN CHURCH INITIATIVE
CONGREGATIONAL COVENANT**

Of BELLEVUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

“The earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it; for God has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.” Psalm 24:1-2

The scriptures overwhelmingly affirm the responsibility of every Christian to care for God’s creation. We are called to participate not only in the redemption of individuals and all of humanity, but in the healing of creation itself; therefore, ministries that encourage care for God’s creation are significant to the mission of this congregation. God is at work bringing justice to the entirety of God’s creation and God calls us to participate in God’s mission.

In order to respond to God’s call and to live out our faith as responsible stewards of God’s creation, we hereby covenant to adopt responsible practices, and will in good faith act in responsible ways to care for God’s creation.

The Green Church Task Force of our congregation will provide recommendations of action from time to time and will review the covenant annually to assess the previous year’s work and to consider other ways in which we can participate in God’s redemption of creation.

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Pastor

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Chair, Adult Ministries Council

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Chair, Green Church Task Force

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Chair, Children’s Ministry Council

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Chair, Stewardship Committee

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Chair, Finance Committee

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Chair, Worship Committee

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Chair, Board of Trustees

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Chair, Evangelism Committee

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Chair, Youth Advisory Council

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Chair, Outreach Committee

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Chair, Hospitality Committee

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Chair, Staff Parish Relations Committee

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Chair, Congregational Care Committee

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Chair, Church Council

Adopted by all committees and Pastor 12/4/2012.