



Simple ways to practice Christian reverence for God's Creation

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1. Pray Daily for the Well-Being of Creation and its Healing.

- USE THE BCP: Our prayerbook has Prayers for the Natural Order on pages 827-828, as well as Rogation Day prayers on 258-259.
- USE SCLM RESOURCES: The Standing Committee on Liturgy and Mission has approved a number of environmental prayers, litanies, and other resources. To find them, search "Liturgical Materials for Honoring God in Creation."

2. Reduce Food Waste

- USE WHAT WE BUY: 24% of all food in the U.S. goes to waste (54 million tons) along with the energy and water used to grow, harvest, transport, and package this wasted food.
- COMPOST SCRAPS: Food waste in our garbage bins ends up in landfills where it rots to form methane, a very potent greenhouse gas. 6-8% of total greenhouse gas emissions could be reduced if we stop wasting food.

3. Do Not Use Single-Use Plastics

- AVOID: Plastic cutlery, straws, cups, Styrofoam take away containers, etc. Production of plastics creates greenhouse gases, and most of these products cannot be recycled and end up in landfills.
- BRING: Reusable bags to the grocery store
- BRING: Reusable takeout containers to the restaurants we visit

4. Reuse Everything That You Can; Recycle What Cannot Be Used

- **RECYCLE:** Recycling is now available in Auburn for glass and plastic beverage bottles, plastic bags, newspaper, and cardboard!
- **J L Recycling**, 13384 Lincoln Way (behind Raley's). They take CRV (California redemption Value) plastic and glass bottles and aluminum cans.
- **Home Depot**, 11755 Willow Creek Dr., Auburn. They take plastic grocery bags and shopping bags, rechargeable batteries, and household batteries.
- **Save Mart**, 386 Elm Ave. They recycle plastic produce and grocery bags. These are bundled and sent to NexTrex to make Trex decking materials.
- **Dumpsters on the West intersection of HWY 80 and Bell Road.** They receive newspapers and cardboard.

5. Support Local Farms

- **BUY:** Direct from farmers at Farmers' Markets
- **SIGN UP:** For a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture)
- **ASK:** Your favorite grocery store to buy local produce and grocery items

6. Conserve Water

- **USE:** Drip irrigation where possible
- **PUT:** Mulch on plants to reduce evaporation
- **WATER:** Morning and evening to reduce evaporation

7. Conserve Gasoline and Reduce Air Pollution

- **CONSOLIDATE:** Try to minimize driving and consolidate trips
- **MOVE:** If possible, walk or bike and leave the car at home!

8. And Remember...

“Christianity properly understood tells you that there is no such thing as ‘dead matter’. Creation around you, within you, the creation that you are, the creation that you are a part of, is all God-acting, God-loving, God-inviting, here and now.”

~ Rowan Williams, 104th Archbishop of Canterbury