

## Nine Presbyterian Churches in Presbytery Certified as a PC(USA) Earth Care Congregations that actively address Climate Change



The following congregations have been certified or re-certified as Earth Care Congregations by Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s Presbyterian Hunger Program through February 2022. This honor speaks to the great commitment they have made to care for God's earth.

### Congregation & Year Certified

[New Life Presbyterian Church, Roseville](#): 2010

[Presbyterian Church of the Apostles, Burnsville](#): 2011

[Westminster Presbyterian Church, Minneapolis](#): 2011

[First Presbyterian of South St. Paul](#): 2012

[Macalester-Plymouth United Church, St. Paul](#): 2015

[First Presbyterian Church of Stillwater](#): 2016

[Shepherd of the Hill Presbyterian Church, Chaska](#): 2018

[Oak Grove Presbyterian Church, Bloomington](#): 2018

[Cherokee Park United Church, St. Paul](#): 2019

To become an Earth Care Congregation, these congregation affirmed an Earth Care Pledge to integrate environmental practices and thinking into their worship, education, facilities, and outreach.

The Earth Care Congregation certification is designed to recognize churches that make the commitment to take seriously God's charge to "till and keep" the garden.

Started in 2010 by the PC(USA), the goal of this program is to inspire churches to care for God's earth in a holistic way, through integrating earth care into all aspects of their church life. The Earth Care Congregation certification honors churches that make that commitment and encourages others to follow their example.

These congregations are among the 276 churches that chose to dedicate themselves to intentional care of God's earth this year. Particularly in a time of much uncertainty and worry about the future, these congregation's activities and commitment, even in the midst of navigating limitations brought about by COVID-19, bring hope to their communities. We believe that these congregations will inspire others to respond intentionally to God's call to care for the earth," says Jessica Maudlin, Associate for Sustainable Living and Earth Care Concerns for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

For more information on the Earth Care Congregations program visit:

[www.pcusa.org/earthcarecongregations](http://www.pcusa.org/earthcarecongregations).