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EcoFaith
Update



EcoFaith Recovery exists to identify existing and emerging leaders, develop our leadership potential as congregational teams engaging in EcoFaith's Practices for Awakening Leadership and lift one another up to support our faith communities in taking courageous public action for the recovery of human life and the healing of God's creation.

Join us for the People's Climate March and Rally

Sept 21st, 3 pm, Portland Waterfront Park's South Bowl

In September, global heads of state will gather in New York City for a historic summit on climate change. As they begin to arrive, hundreds of thousands of people will participate in a grassroots mobilization called The People's Climate March in NYC. Thousands more will march in solidarity in Portland and elsewhere around the world that day. EcoFaith Recovery invites all concerned people of faith to mobilize teams from your congregations to participate in either Portland or New York. Here's how...

Now – Info and Resources are available for you at our website so you can:

- ❑ Sign up to march! Then distribute the newsletter publicity, bulletin announcements and flyers found at www.ecofaithrecovery.org.
- ❑ Print out the prayers of blessing for marchers, prayers for the Global Summit, and sermon ideas and ask pastors and worship planners to incorporate them into Sunday worship on Sept. 21st.
- ❑ Personally invite people to join you and your congregational team.

Sept. 11th – Attend Grounding for Action Beyond Fossil Fuels at Leaven Community in NE Portland to determine how our congregations can most fully participate that day. (RSVP in advance at www.ecofaithrecovery.org.)

Sept. 21st – People's Climate March in Portland, Oregon

- ❑ **Sunday Morning:** Participate in worship with your team and receive a blessing or commissioning. Pray for the Climate Summit.
- ❑ **Following Worship:** Travel by public transportation (or carpool if necessary) to Portland Waterfront Park's South Bowl by **2 pm**.
- ❑ **Pre-march** Gather for singing and spiritual grounding with other congregations. (Time & Details will be provided at website.)
- ❑ **3:00 p.m.** Participate with your congregation in the Rally & March and offer your faith community's unique gift to the event.
- ❑ **Following the march**, join others connected with EcoFaith and their Congregational Teams in a Grounding for Action Reflection and Debriefing. (Location TBA at www.ecofaithrecovery.org)

Oct. 11th – Attend the EcoFaith Retreat in Beaverton to discern next steps!

Register Now for EcoFaith's Organizing in the Biocommons Course!

To best equip yourself and your congregational team to engage in public action for the recovery of human life and healing of God's creation, sign up for this life-changing opportunity.

During the course you will learn to

- Help your congregations or communities move beyond symptoms and denial, into root causes and system assumptions driving our situation
- Shift our emotions and spirits, from the current dominant world-view, which is obsolete and destructive, to the emerging world-view, which is life-giving and hope-full.
- Deepen the spiritual, relational, Biblical and theological capacity and economic/political literacy of our spiritual communities, networks and congregations.

Learn more and register at www.ecofaithrecovery.org.

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