

Faith Climate Action Week - Climate Change at the End of Your Fork - EnergyStar Boot Camp for Congregations - Climate Training for Christian Clergy - Energy Audits for Madison Homeowners

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Faith Climate Action Week
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Get Ready for Faith Climate Action Week 2016

This year, IPL is expanding and re-naming the Preach-In on Global Warming as Faith Climate Action Week. From April 15 - 24, congregations across the country will preach, teach, and organize around global warming. The theme, "Paris and Beyond", focuses on our role as people of faith in helping our country achieve the climate protection goals we agreed to with 194 other countries in Paris.

In addition to some new sample sermons on caring for Creation, we have resources for films, outdoor activities, music, service projects, postcards for policy makers and more to help educate and mobilize your congregation to protect the climate. Visit the [Faith Climate Action Week Website](#) to access these resources, find events in your state, or register an event.



Climate Change at the End of Your Fork

Saturday, April 23, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sinsinawa Mound Center, 585 County Road Z,
Sinsinawa, WI

In this day-long retreat and workshop, we'll explore the intersections of our faith, the food we eat, and the reality of climate change. Rooted in prayer and song, we'll find the strength and courage in our stories of connection to take practical steps to help solve climate change at the end of our forks.

Commuter Fee: \$25 Registration deadline is Apr 18, 2016 [REGISTER NOW!](#)

Sponsored by: Sinsinawa Mound Center, Food, Faith and Farming Network, Iowa Interfaith Power & Light, and Wisconsin Interfaith Power & Light

EPA Energy Efficiency Boot Camp for Houses of Worship

Are you ready to take the next steps to increase your House of Worship's energy efficiency, to reduce both financial and environmental costs and to draw on the resources and support of EPA? How about to set an example for others in your community of what can be achieved?



Then the free, intensive 6-month "Energy Efficiency Boot Camp" may be for you. In this pilot program, led by the U.S. EPA ENERGY STAR for Congregations and actively supported by Lutherans Restoring Creation along with Interfaith Power & Light affiliates in Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin, you will have the opportunity to learn more and participate in an interactive collaborative environment with peers—all striving to save energy and costs.

This is a no cost program open to any congregation or denominational office. The program is expected to start in early April 2016 (when at least 20 congregations confirm that they want to participate). You can download a [Q&A document](#) with the registration link or you can [register directly](#). If you have questions, you can email Thayer Tomlinson, Boot Camp program manager, at Thayer@energyandsecurity.com

**The Gospel in the Ecological
Crisis:
A Training for Christian Clergy**



**Center for
Earth Ethics**

From the California drought to Missouri floods to changing growing seasons across America, climate change is already affecting our country and world. Historically, the church has met world affairs with discernment, seeking to carry out the teachings of Jesus according to the material context of the age. What is the role of the Church in this moment?

On June 6-10 2016, the Center for Earth Ethics and the Climate Reality Project will train 35 priests, ministers, preachers, pastors, nuns, and evangelists to recognize and address the impacts of climate change in their congregations and communities. Applications will close **March 11**. No late applications will be accepted. [LEARN MORE](#)



**Green Madison is Looking to
Make a Big Impact!**

Do you have cold and drafty rooms in your home?
Mold, moisture or ventilation issues in your home?

Is your energy bill high in comparison to the size of your home? An energy audit will provide you a clear road map of what is going on in your home in your home in terms of energy loss.

The City of Madison is competing for the Georgetown Energy Prize, and Green Madison is building a grassroots, community-based effort to significantly reduce Madison's energy use. In an effort to lower Madison's overall energy usage, we are making it easier for Madison homeowners to have an energy audit – a necessary first step to qualify for Focus on Energy rebates and to make energy retrofits to a home. Green Madison is providing a financial incentive for Madison homeowners to host an energy house party and/or have an energy audit during this competition.

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The mission of Wisconsin Interfaith Power and Light shall be to inform, train, and activate people of all faiths and faith communities to take concrete steps in response to climate change through the promotion of energy conservation, energy efficiency and renewable energy in order to protect Earth's ecosystems, safeguard public health, and ensure just, sufficient and sustainable energy for all.



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