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ETHICAL ENERGY

September 2015

Save the Date! -- November 1



MERCHANTS OF DOUBT

Join us for a viewing and discussion of a documentary exposing a

concerted strategy to create doubt about the facts of climate change.

**2:00 p.m. Sunday, November 1, 2015
Congregation Emanuel B'nei Jeshurun
2020 West Brown Deer Road, Milwaukee**

Building tour at 1 p.m.

Note: the talk by Rabbi Larry Troster has been postponed until 2016.

More Upcoming Events

The Sacred Side of Science: A Scientific View of God and Why This Matters on an Overheating Planet



Environmental activist, author and minister, Michael Dowd, will speak on Saturday, September 19 at First United Methodist Church in Madison. A film, *Journey of the Universe*, will be shown first to set the stage for Dowd's presentation. The event, held at 203 Wisconsin Ave., will start at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$15.00 for families. [Registration and more information](#)

Light the Way: Faiths for Justice

Two interfaith prayer events will take place in Madison in solidarity with Pope Francis' message on climate change.

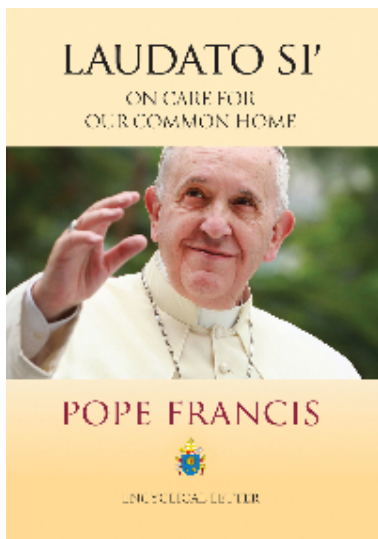


- **On Thursday, September 24th** from 6:00pm – 7:30pm, there will be an interfaith gathering at James Madison Park in Madison. Starting with music, the evening will consist of an invocation, faith leaders sharing their thoughts on the encyclical, and a candlelight procession to the Capitol. The event closes with prayer and a call to action
- **On Friday, September 25th** at 6:30am, people will gather on Monona Terrace at the Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. entrance for quiet contemplation of the Pope's message as the sun rises. At 8:00am, light refreshments will be served at First United Methodist Church, 203 Wisconsin Ave, where a series of video shorts on climate justice will be shown. At approximately 9:00am, there will a viewing of a live-stream of Pope Francis' address to the United Nations General Assembly.

Please help advertise the events with these flyers in [English](#) and [Spanish](#) and [bulletin announcement](#).

Laudato Si: On Care of Our Common Home & Sustainable Agriculture in Wisconsin

**Sunday, September 27, 1:30 to 6 PM
Anderson Auditorium, Predolin Hall,
Edgewood College, Madison.**



Panelists will include environmental scientist Calvin DeWitt , Sister Miriam Brown, Eric Anglada of the New Hope Catholic Worker Farm, and Edgewood economics professor Kevin Biller. The speakers will lead break-out sessions after the panel concludes. An exhibit hall will feature representatives from local non-profits and environmental groups. There will be a reception with the opportunity to try locally grown food.

[Read the Press Release for more information.](#)

Join Green Madison and Celebrate Sustainability



Take action to help Madison win \$5 million to invest in sustainability efforts. Your congregation can sign up to be a Green Madison partner and participate in a city-wide online sustainability game called Cool Choices. This is a fun and free city-sponsored opportunity for faith communities to try out a brand new approach to sustainability and help Madison win the \$5 million Georgetown University Energy Prize. (You do not need to be a resident of the City of Madison to participate in Cool Choices.)

[Sign your congregation up today](#) and Cool Choices will guide you through all the steps to successful engagement around sustainability. [Register now to attend a brief webinar](#) on Thursday, Sept 17th, 12:30-1:15 and learn more about the benefits of playing Cool Choices and becoming a Green Madison partner. (Even if you can't

attend, register now and we'll send you the recorded webinar to watch at your convenience.)



Take the Paris Pledge!

At the Paris Climate Change Conference in November, IPL's Rev. Sally Bingham hopes to hand-deliver to UN Secretary Ban Ki-moon a LONG list of congregations and individuals who are willing to commit to the same carbon reductions we are asking nations to make. Signers will strive for a 50% carbon emission reduction by 2030 and will set a goal of being carbon neutral by 2050. [Learn more and sign the pledge!](#)

WIP&L Welcomes New Covenant Congregations!

- Open Circle Unitarian Universalist Fellowship - Fond du Lac
- Unitarian Society of Menomonie - Menomonie
- Peace Lutheran Church - Oshkosh
- Tippecanoe Presbyterian Church - Milwaukee

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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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