

#Christians4climate

In this interactive program, we will discuss how the church is responding to climate change. From international efforts to local congregational programs, each and every effort is a faithful response to the call to love all of God's creation. Together we will celebrate what we are doing and what more we can do together. We hope you will come away with a sense of possibility and community, plus a plan of how you can make a difference. Join us to learn how you can be part of the growing movement to care for all creation for today and for the future.

The program will be jointly presented by The Reverend Melanie Mullen, the Episcopal Church's Director of Reconciliation, Justice and Creation Care; Phoebe Chatfield, TEC Associate for Creation Care; The Reverend Nurya Parish, Co-Founder of Plainsong Farms and the Reverend Stephanie M. Johnson, Chair of the Episcopal Church's Task Force on the Care of Creation and Environmental Racism.

Program Outline

- 1) Opening Prayer

- 2) Why do we care for creation? What is our moral, ethical and faithful call to respond to climate change?

- 3) What's happening around the church
 - A) International engagement and collaboration around the Anglican Communion
 - B) Advocacy and civic engagement
 - C) current initiatives around the church at the church-wide and diocesan level
 - D) congregational programs
 - E) Farming/agriculture/restoring the land

- 4) Group discussion on what participants see happening in their congregations and communities

- 5) Time for individual reflection on developing a specific plan for personal/congregational/regional efforts

- 6) Group discussion on next steps

- 7) Prayer and sending forth