



Green Churches
Network

SEASON OF CREATION 2018

Look at the birds of the air and the lilies of the field. God feeds them and clothes them. Your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. (from Matthew 6:25-34)



Saturday

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Genesis 1

SEPTEMBER 1ST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
F O O D						
<p><i>"Do not worry about what you will eat."</i></p> <p>Matthew 6: 25 2</p>	<p>Donate \$2 for each plate of food thrown away this year.</p> <p>@greenchurches 3</p>	<p>The harvests are in! Purchase organic fruits and vegetables.</p> <p>#Organic 4</p>	<p>Does your church have a community garden?</p> <p>#CommunityGarden 5</p>	<p>Each purchase of fair-trade coffee, tea, chocolate helps small producers feed their families.</p> <p>#FairTrade 6</p>	<p>Does the exorbitantly high cost of food in northern Canada concern you?</p> <p>#GreatNorth 7</p>	<p>Hold a non GMO corn husking party or a meal made of local produce.</p> <p>#BuyLocal 8</p>
B I R D S						
<p><i>"Look at the birds of the air... your heavenly Father feeds them."</i></p> <p>Matthew 6:26 9</p>	<p>Can you identify the local birds and their songs?</p> <p>#Birds 10</p>	<p>Donate \$1 for each caged bird you own.</p> <p>@greenchurches 11</p>	<p>Which Canadian birds are endangered? Join a bird watching group.</p> <p>#BirdWatching 12</p>	<p>Imitate your heavenly Father; set up bird feeders.</p> <p>#BirdFeeder 13</p>	<p>Your bird houses help birds survive the loss of habitat.</p> <p>#BirdHouse 14</p>	<p>Identify the migratory birds in your area.</p> <p>#MigratoryBird 15</p>
C L O T H I N G						
<p><i>"Why do you worry about clothing?"</i></p> <p>Matthew 6:28 16</p>	<p>Resist the urge to buy brand name clothing; choose eco-friendly clothes.</p> <p>#Eco-Friendly 17</p>	<p>Do you know how to sew? You will save money and the environment.</p> <p>#Resew 18</p>	<p>Donate \$1 for each clothing item thrown away this year.</p> <p>@greenchurches 19</p>	<p>Discover ethical clothing stores in your community.</p> <p>#EthicalClothing 20</p>	<p>Visit a thrift shop. Donate your used clothes.</p> <p>#ThiftShop 21</p>	<p>Car Free Day Children can draw chalk flowers on the empty church parking lot.</p> <p>#CarFreeDay 22</p>
F L O W E R S						
<p><i>"Consider the lilies of the field... God gives them magnificent garments!"</i></p> <p>Matthew 6:28 23</p>	<p>Exchange seeds with others to promote biodiversity.</p> <p>#Seeds 24</p>	<p>Donate 25¢ for each cut flower in your house this year.</p> <p>@greenchurches 25</p>	<p>Plant some bulbs and see your springtime flower!</p> <p>#Bulbs 26</p>	<p>Replace chemical pesticides with your own organic homemade mixes.</p> <p>#Natural 27</p>	<p>Let fallen leaves lie to harbour insects for birds and moisture for plants.</p> <p>#Leaves 28</p>	<p>Take a nature walk and appreciate the work of the Creator.</p> <p>#GodsCreation 29</p>
K I N G D O M						
<p><i>"Strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."</i></p> <p>Matthew 6:33 30</p>	<p>How will you celebrate Thanksgiving this year?</p> <p>OCTOBER 1ST</p>	<p>Donate 50¢ for every time you forgot to say grace before meals last week.</p> <p>@greenchurches 2</p>	<p><i>"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed."</i> What small "heavenly" seeds do you sow?</p> <p>#SmallSeeds 3</p>	<p>Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi Adopt a simple and joyful lifestyle!</p> <p>#StFrancis 4</p>	<p>Explore further: creation.greenchurches.ca</p>	<p>Thanksgiving <i>Give thanks to God for providing such abundant harvests!</i> 2 Corinthians 9:6-15</p> <p>MONDAY 8</p>



Prayer for the 2018 Season of Creation

“Creator God, in your wisdom you established a delicate ecological balance to see that birds find nourishment and flowers are clothed in beauty. Please give us the courage to dedicate ourselves to taking care of your Creation. We thank you for providing us with all we need. Amen!”

How Do I Use This Calendar?

Thanks to the tips found here, thousands of Canadian Christians will be able to reduce their ecological footprint during the 2017 Season of Creation. The resulting reduction of wastage and pollution will render our environment even more beautiful. Sharing these hashtags (#) in the virtual world will impact the real world.



How Can I Make A Donation?

Decorate a recycled container to store the donations you make during the Season of Creation. On October 1st, put these Creation Care gifts into an envelope marked “Green Churches” and confide it to the designated person in your church. These funds will be used for ecological action, environmental education and Creation-centred spirituality.

If your church does not have such a designated person, you can make out a cheque for the collected sum to “Green Churches” and send it to the address below or you may donate the amount online at: creation.greenchurches.ca. You will thus be sent a tax receipt.



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