

Trinity has started a Stewards of Creation Group, where we care for the world that God made and gave to our charge. Inspired by our diocese's Stewardship of Creation Committee and other like-minded church groups, our first task is to try to find out where our congregation stands on matters of stewardship. With that in mind, we would be most thankful if you would take a few minutes to complete the following questionnaire. With your input, we will be better prepared to be of service to you. We will tally the results for each item and report to you the statistics. We will not report any individual responses.

Please return the questionnaire to Trinity Episcopal Church, P. O. Box 299, Washington, Virginia 22747-0299.

Please circle a number from 1 to 5 after each of the following statements. The number 1 means that you strongly disagree; 5 means that you strongly agree. Feel free to write in your comments.

1. Stewardship of creation is important whether or not it makes economic sense.

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2. Humanity's need for resources should trump stewardship of creation.

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3. Climate change is occurring.

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4. Climate change is propelled by manmade emissions.

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5. Small changes in ecosystems can have highly adverse consequences.

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6. Protecting endangered species is important regardless of the species.

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7. Conservation measures by individuals in their homes, cars and work environment are worth the effort.

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8. The countries of the world are doing a satisfactory job of caring for the planet.

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9. The United States is doing a satisfactory job of caring for the planet.

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10. Trinity should concentrate on stewardship affecting the local community.

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11. Trinity should get involved with state, national, and international issues involving stewardship of the earth.

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12. The Episcopal Church should not be involved with stewardship of the earth.

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13. Christians have a responsibility to care for what God created.

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Now, please indicate specific matters/issues are of concern or interest to you. Comments and additional matters/issues are welcome. Please circle a number from 1 to 5 in front of each of the following statements. The number 1 means that you are not at all concerned with the matter/issue. The number 5 means that you are very concerned.

14. Global warming/manmade emissions/Kyoto Accords

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15. Demand for fossil fuels increases; sources diminish and the risks to the planet from extraction of fossil fuels increases.

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16. The dumping (accidental and otherwise) of crude oil and other pollutants into the oceans and other waters.

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17. Environmental impact of extraction of oil from the Alberta tar sands.

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18. Use of fracking in shale gas drilling (Fracking (Hydrolic Fracturing) - a process in which fractures in rocks below the earth's surface are opened and widened by injecting chemicals and liquids at high pressure: used especially to extract natural gas or oil. Source: www.dictionary.com).

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19. Air pollution/respiratory effects/acid rain.

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20. Wildlife conservation/endangered species.

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21. Destruction of rain forests.

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22. Impact of livestock on global warming and on food supplies.

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23. The proposed lifting of Virginia's moratorium on the mining and milling of uranium.

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24. Mountaintop removal coal mining.

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25. Adequate funding for agricultural best management practices.

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26. Pollution trading.

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27. Promoting renewable energy (from wind, solar, energy efficiency and the like).

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28. Spending for road projects versus public transportation.

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29. Acid rain.

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30. Despite decades of efforts, the Chesapeake Bay continues to be polluted.

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31. Local decreasing water supply for agriculture.

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32. Invasive species of plants and animals are damaging our ecosystems.

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33. Streams determined by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality to be "impaired" because of excessive bacteria.

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34. Litter.

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35. Recycling.

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36. Personal and local energy consumption.

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37. Local streams that have no trees, shrubs or tall grasses to protect the soil, water and habitat.

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38. Your issues.