

## **First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth is Certified as a National PCUSA Earth Care Congregation**

First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth (FPCP) was certified as an Earth Care Congregation by Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s Environmental Ministries through February 2022. This honor speaks to the great commitment that FPCP has to caring for God's earth.

To become an Earth Care Congregation, this congregation affirmed the Earth Care Pledge to integrate environmental practices and thinking into all facets of its church life and completed projects and activities in the fields of worship, education, facilities, and outreach.

The Earth Care Congregation certification is designed to recognize churches that make the commitment to take seriously God's charge to "till and keep" the garden.

"It is exciting that FPCP is dedicated to intentional care of God's earth. The congregation's activities and commitment will inspire others to respond intentionally to God's call to care for the earth," says Jessica Maudlin, Associate for Sustainable Living and Earth Care Concerns for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

The Earth Care Congregations program was started in 2010 by PC (USA) Environmental Ministries. The goal of the program is to inspire churches to care for God's earth in a holistic way, through integrating earth care into all of their church life. The Earth Care Congregation certification honors churches that make that commitment and encourages others to follow their example.

For more information on the Earth Care Congregations program visit [www.pcusa.org/earthcarecongregations](http://www.pcusa.org/earthcarecongregations).

