

What can be done...

- ◆ **Christchurch, Hitchin** had a special service at Harvest including a drama 'Respect for Creation'
- ◆ **St James, Maghull** had a local litter pick with the uniformed organisations and the congregation
- ◆ **Saffron Walden Methodist** fitted an energy efficient boiler at the Manse
- ◆ **Chelsea Methodist** linked global and local water issues and provided water saving tips for people at home
- ◆ **St Peters, Pimperne** developed a wildlife garden with the local primary school
- ◆ **Stratford-upon-Avon Methodist** put in secure cycle storage facilities at church
- ◆ **Bromyard Road Methodist, Worcester** campaigned with church and community groups on climate change issues
- ◆ **St Leonard's Balderstone** organise a parish walk every other month exploring their local environment

What could your church do?



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the earth is
the Lord's...



...so how will
your church
respond?



By becoming an



Eco-congregation provides a framework to enthuse and equip local congregations to weave environmental issues into church life and mission:

- ◆ **church check-up** – to get you started, and help you develop an action plan
- ◆ **resources** – modules relating to areas of church life; website; newsletters; links to other organisations
- ◆ **Eco-congregation Award** – to affirm and witness to the church's work

How to get involved...

- ◆ do the church check-up (Module 1)
- ◆ work out an action plan including something for each of these areas of church life:
 - **spiritual:** *link environmental issues and Christian faith* (modules on worship, theology, Bible study, children and young people)
 - **practical:** *take environmental action in church* (modules on buildings, finance and purchasing, grounds and gardens)
 - **community:** *work with the community for a greener world* (modules on personal lifestyles, community projects and global links)
- ◆ get the church to agree to the plan of action
- ◆ register the church with Eco-congregation
- ◆ order or download the relevant modules and resources from:
www.ecocongregation.org/englandwales
- ◆ work through the modules
- ◆ apply for the Award!

Send off this slip...

...to the address overleaf to receive the church check-up (Module 1) which includes:

- a registration form
- an order form for modules

Title

Name

Church (incl. denomination)

Address

Tel

email

Or you can phone or email to request Module 1 (contact details overleaf)

Or you can download Module 1 from the website.

