



my PLEDGE to Care for Creation, 2017



Name: _____ Congregation: _____

Actions I am already doing: _____

I pledge to carry out the following **NEW** actions this year to reduce my footprint and encourage care for the Earth (see suggestions below):

SOME WAYS TO CARE FOR CREATION AND REDUCE GREENHOUSE GASSES

HOME ENERGY USE

- Turn down thermostat (fall/winter)
- Turn up thermostat (spring/summer)
- Replace appliances with more efficient ones
- Replace windows
- Insulate
- Install or invest in solar energy



SPIRIT, SOUL and MIND

- Pray daily for creation
- Read environmentally enlightening books/websites
- Watch a documentary about climate change
- Calculate my carbon footprint
- Join a group that appreciates and cares for creation



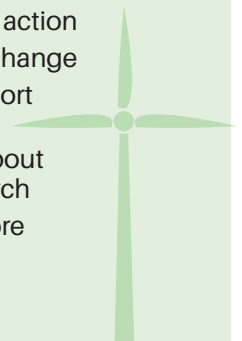
FOOD

- Reduce beef consumption
- Reduce meat consumption
- Reduce dairy and egg consumption
- Reduce consumption of imported foods
- Shop from local farmers
- Shop organically
- Plant a garden



ADVOCACY

- Call or write congress regularly about environmental issues
- Financially support green advocacy groups
- Organize or attend an event or action
- Talk to a friend about climate change
- Start or attend a group to support life-style changes
- Talk to my vestry and clergy about reducing consumption at church
- Encourage my church to explore Green Faith or Earth Ministry



CARBON OFFSET

- Plant a tree
- Make a carbon offset at **ECWW.org**
- Offset a plane trip
- Offset home energy use
- Offset driving emissions



TRANSPORTATION

- Purchase a more fuel efficient vehicle
- Take public transportation more
- Walk or ride a bike more

