# **Creation Care: Adult Sunday School Resource List**

**Week 1 – February 12, 2023**

1. TED Talk by Katherine Hayhoe, “The most important thing you can do to fight climate change”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-BvcToPZCLI>

2. ARTICLE: [https://thegreenhubonline.com/why-we-all-need-to-talk-more-about-the- climate-crisis/](https://thegreenhubonline.com/why-we-all-need-to-talk-more-about-the-%20%20climate-crisis/)

**Week 2 – February 19, 2023**

1. Complete 12 page statement <https://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/EnvironmentSS.pdf?_ga=2.177724967.303219535.1676414674-1206517344.1670820608>

2. Summary – 2 pages

<https://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/EnvironmentSS_Summary.pdf?_ga=2.216341012.303219535.1676414674-1206517344.1670820608>

3. Study Guide

<https://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/EnviromentSS_Study_Guide.pdf?_ga=2.148425908.2047510771.1677374844-1206517344.1670820608>

4. Decisions for Our Global Neighbors – search for PowerPoint on LutheransRestoringCreation.org

**Week 3 – February 26, 2023**

Same resources used as in Week 2 for February 19.

**Week 4 – March 5, 2023 ELCA Statement Section 1: The Church’s Vision of Creation**

* Same resources 1 and 2 listed for February 19
* Awakening to God’s Call to Earthkeeping: Rediscovering Our Place in Creation (*See attachment in Wednesday’s Grace Notes.)*

**Week 5 – March 12, 2023 ELCA Statement Section 2: The Urgency**

* Same resources 1 and 2 listed for February 19
* Awakening to God’s Call to Earthkeeping: God’s Presence Fills All Creation
* Supplemental take-home reflections: p. 20 God’s Presence Fills All Creation, Historical Voices on Creation

**Week 6 – March 19, 2023 ELCA Statement Section 3: The Hope and Deni Callahan’s presentation on organic gardening**

* Same as resource 1 as listed for Week 2 (Complete 12p Statement pages 5-6)
* Deni Callahan’s presentation on organic gardening for our homes and our church building.
  + *Refer to her write-up document for complete presentation.*
  + Bloodmeal between layers of compost to increase nitrogen; heats up compost quickly.
  + Alaska Mill & Feed: Teufel Compost is best per Deni.
  + BOOK – Backyard Composting

**Week 7 – March 26, 2023 ELCA Statement Section 4: The Call To Justice**

* Same resources 1 and 2 listed for February 19; resource 2 (Summary) will be used in class with resource 1 (full Statement) used as reference only.
* Awakening to God’s Call to Earthkeeping: Biblical Foundations for Earth Keeping (pp 26-34) for personal home use only.
* ACTION: Review two documents prior to April 2 final class. On this Resource List go to ‘General’ and read #3 and #4. These will not be used on March 26, only on April 2.

**Week 8 – April 2, 2023 ELCA Statement Section 5: Commitments Of This Church**

* Same resources 1 and 2 listed for February 19. **ACTION**: Read pp 8-12 of resource 1 (full Statement)
* **ACTION**: Review two or three of these documents prior to April 2 final class. On this Resource List go to ‘General’ and read #3, #4 or #5. Identify several items that resonate with you for action to discuss in class.
* **ACTION**: Watch the short video on the Eklutna River Project. On this Resource List go to ‘Local and State Initiatives for Climate Change’ for the link. Bring to class additional state/local Creation Care initiatives to support.
* Creation Waits With Eager Longing! (pp 40-42) If time allows we might use p 42; all are for personal reflection.

**GENERAL**

1. lutheransrestoringcreation.org

2. [7 Must Watch Eco and Environmental Doco’s On Netflix - The Green Hub (thegreenhubonline.com)](https://thegreenhubonline.com/7-eco-docos-to-netflix-learn/)

3. [18 Simple Things You Can Do About Climate Change | UC Davis](https://www.ucdavis.edu/climate/what-can-i-do/18-simple-things-you-can-do-about-climate-change)

4. [50 Things You Can Do About Climate Change - The Green Hub (thegreenhubonline.com)](https://thegreenhubonline.com/50-things-you-can-do-about-climate-change/)

5. 100 Ways To Help… <https://www.yesmagazine.org/issue/a-new-social-justice/2021/11/15/climate-crisis-100-ways-to-help>

6. BOOK -Low Carbon Diet: A 30 Day Program to Lose 5000 Pounds – Authors David Gershon

and Gail Straub (Amazon $12.39 each)

7. MOVIE – ‘Gather’ (The Banta’s cousin, Elsie DuBray, is in the film about indigenous food. <https://gather.film/>

8. ARTICLE - DuBray farm: <https://www.nytimes.com/2022/03/12/us/buffalo-bison-mycoplasma-south-dakota.html>

9. BOOK – Celtic Ways to Pray, Finding God In The Natural Elements – Author Ruth Lindberg Pattison

10. ARTICLE - “God’s Earth is Sacred: An Open Letter to Church and Society in the U.S.” (8pp) drafted by

a group of theologians, including several notable Lutherans, in spring 2005 (available on the National

Council of Churches Eco-Justice Ministries Web site: www.nccecojustice.org).

11. BOOK – Backyard Composting, Your Complete Guide to Recycling Yard Clippings by Harmonious

Technologies. Highly recommended by Deni Callahan

12. ARTICLE – Edible Cutlery <https://www.businesstoday.in/magazine/back-of-the-book/story/how-edible-cutlery-is-helping-india-fight-plastic-waste-341008-2022-07-11>

13. BOOK - Animal, Vegetable, Miracle: A Year of Food Life; Author Barbara Kingsolver Nonfiction book

on ability to solely eat the produce/meat from their family farm for one year. For items unable to

grow/raise they would purchase no further than a 60 mile radius of home.

14. YouTube - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q48BvprCFr0> Personal climate change tips from

Katharine Hayhoe. Also <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bv7zFAdZ6LI>

15. Guppy Friend Bag to collect laundry microplastics - <https://www.patagonia.com/product/guppyfriend-microplasticwashingbag/4260750820839.html?s_kwcid=17928&utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=Non+Brand+-+Dynamic+Search+-+Catch+All&utm_content=alwayson&gclid=CjwKCAjwrJ-hBhB7EiwAuyBVXbYz-WIEpqZf0eRss1rqaRZXP65ObuvUtl-CrWyi9kHSgRF6EbsJJRoCn2MQAvD_BwE>

16. ARTICLE – Scientific American - The importance of a circular economy

<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/reduce-reuse-recycle-why-all-3-rs-are-critical-to-a-circular-economy/>

**Current Climate Change information**

1. <https://www.gatesnotes.com/Climate-and-energy> For hopeful videos search for "Met the

future in this online series about climate change: Ten episodes that leave you optimistic."

2. March 20, 2023 A major UN “report of reports” from the authoritative Intergovernmental

Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). “A liveable future for all is possible, if we take urgent climate

action: flagship UN report” <https://news.un.org/en/story/2023/03/1134777>

3. ARTICLE- Biden’s mission at the global COP27 <https://www.politico.com/news/2022/11/11/bidens-mission-at-climate-summit-convince-world-its-different-now-00066584> “…the United States of

America will meet our emissions targets by 2030…..”

4. ARTICLE - Renewable Market Update for 2022 with Outlooks for 2023

<https://www.iea.org/reports/renewable-energy-market-update-may-2022>

5. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change - <https://www.ipcc.ch/> A good summary is listed here: <https://www.nature.org/en-us/what-we-do/our-insights/perspectives/ipcc-report-climate-change/?gclid=CjwKCAjwrJ-hBhB7EiwAuyBVXWNEweYoOoDkWJuHuoTXQu1I6WCeXBzT1h4mOJI2fnPsrV0TeZfNXBoCrBoQAvD_BwE&gclsrc=aw.ds>

**Local Anchorage Resources**

1. Turn plastic waste into lumber: <https://www.furnishstudioandsalvage.com/plastic-collection>

2. RECYCLING: Solid Waste Services site for recycle item descriptions and drop off locations. <https://www.muni.org/Departments/SWS/Recycling/pages/whereandwhat.aspx>

3. RECYCLING: Blue Market AK, 1406 W 31st Ave, Anchorage Refill containers with variety of home cleaning and personal products. “Refill, Not Landfill” <https://www.bluemarketak.com>

4 RECYCLING: Use the Freecycle Network to dispose of home goods without sending to the landfill. Sign up at freecycle.org

**Local and State Initiatives for Climate Change**

1. Eklutna River Project: Explains where the river has been and where it could be in the near future. YouTube video (8.5 minutes) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dvGtiM-r7V8>

2. Citizens Climate Lobby – Anchorage Chapter: <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/chapters/AK_Anchorage/>

3. Citizens Climate Lobby – Carbon Fee and Dividend <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/price-on-carbon/> Currently, the public bears the costs of these impacts. The goal of carbon pricing is to shift the responsibility for these costs to those who produce the emissions. When producers and consumers have to pay for each ton of CO2 they emit, they have an economic incentive to shift away from fossil fuels, improve their energy efficiency, and invest in low-carbon technology.

4. Green Climate Fund <https://www.greenclimate.fund/> - The Green Climate Fund is a fund established within the framework of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change as an operating entity of the Financial Mechanism to assist developing countries in adaptation and mitigation practices to counter climate change. The GCF is based in Incheon, South Korea.

5. Juneau Carbon Offset <https://juneaucarbonoffset.org/>

6. Article -Local Climate Action Persists in Alaska <https://climate-xchange.org/2020/03/27/local-climate-action-persists-in-alaska/>

7. Alaska Climate Change Impact Mitigation Plan (ACCIMP) - <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/dcra/PlanningLandManagement/ACCIMP.aspx>

8. Climate Stewards USA <https://climatestewardsusa.org> Measure, Reduce, Offset – Calculations for personal carbon footprint, projects your payment supports and donations.