

Faith + Earth Beat Resource Sheet | SEJ April 2024

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Mid-Atlantic

Lenape Indigenous peoples of the lands now known as Pennsylvania/New Jersey/ Delaware: [Lenape Nation of Pennsylvania](#) and [Lenape Indian Tribe of Delaware](#)

[POWER Interfaith](#) is a multi-faith, multi-racial organizing movement in the state of PA for racial and economic justice on a livable planet. **Rabbi Julie Greenberg** is the climate justice director.

[Climate Witness Project](#) is a Christian Reformed Church initiative addressing the climate crisis by educating people about the realities of climate change, helping congregations reduce energy use, and advocating for policy changes. **Allen Drew** is the regional organizer for the Eastern United States. He lives in Philadelphia.

GreenFaith has a New Jersey organizer—the **Rev. Ronald B. Tuff** is an associate pastor at First Bethel Baptist Church in Irvington, New Jersey and he specializes in organizing black churches for environmental leadership.

Evangelical Environmental Network is active in Pennsylvania. **Carolyn Heckman** is the Pennsylvania policy and outreach coordinator.

United States

Pew Research data on religion and environment - "[How Religion Intersects With Americans' Views on the Environment](#)"

[Dayenu](#) - American Jewish organization focused on climate finance and climate policy.

[Evangelical Environmental Network](#) - political advocacy focused on Farm Bill, air pollution, public lands.

[Creation Justice Ministries](#) - Christian ecumenical organization with many campaigns, ranging from conservation to water, climate, energy, etc.

[National Religious Partnership for the Environment](#) - assists with partnerships and joint mobilization between Black Church, evangelical, mainline, Orthodox, Catholic, Jewish, and other religious groups.

African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church [resolution on climate change](#) which was passed unanimously at the AME 50th General Conference in Philadelphia in July 2016 outlines the

biblical basis for why AMEC is addressing climate change, how each of us can make a difference and how this helps support our work and witness to “love one another.”

[Mormon Environmental Stewardship Alliance](#) - independent organization from the Church of the Latter-Day Saints, focused on building faith-based movement of environmental action on issues such as air quality, climate change, disaster recovery, preserving public lands.

[Yale Forum on Religion and Ecology](#) - publishes newsletters, holds conferences, teaches online courses on this field

[Blessed Tomorrow](#) - interfaith organization that offers ideas, tools, and language that are familiar and compelling for each tradition to engage on environmental issues.

[Green the Church](#) - Black Church organization focused on environmental justice with a focus on solar and energy

Islamic Society of North America's [Green Initiative](#)

[Mennonite](#) new initiative: “[Learn, Pray, Join: Climate Justice: Seeking Shalom](#)” which “seeks to bring awareness to intertwining climate and social concerns, such as extreme weather events and agricultural challenges, while offering ways to bring about climate justice.

Buddhism: [this](#) is a new academic (January 2024) paper analyzing Buddhist environmental ethics and climate change and this is the [Loka initiative](#), which was begun by a Tibetan Buddhist, Dekila Chungyalpa, at the University of Wisconsin-Madison

[Bahai](#): This link takes you to their national statement on advancing a moral dialogue on the environment

International

[GreenFaith](#) - global interfaith climate justice movement campaigning on climate finance

[Laudato Si' Movement](#) - a Catholic movement that connects nearly 1,000 local organizations globally

[Faith Pavilion at COP28](#) - first ever convening of an interfaith space for organizing and exploring topics on faith and climate change.

World Resources Institute's [Faith and Sustainability Campaign](#)

World Wildlife Fund [Sacred Earth: Faiths for Conservation](#)