

# Season of Creation

The World Council of Churches observes the yearly **Season of Creation** from Sept. 1-Oct. 4 (the feast of St. Francis). It is a special time when we celebrate God as Creator and acknowledge Creation a precious gift to us.

How can you help take care of God's creation? Here are a few ideas you can do at home:

- Plant pollinator-friendly flowers in your yard
- Use fewer pesticides
- Dim the outside lights at your home overnight. It helps the plants, pollinators and wildlife
- Mixed recyclables can go into your bin. This includes-paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, metal cans and foil
- Plastic bags, plastic film, bubble wrap can be put in bins at Walmart, Target, Aldi and others. Do not put in with mixed recyclables
- Used batteries and ink cartridges can be brought to Staples and you can receive money back
- Used office technology can be brought to Staples

For more information about recycling, visit the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Center (RIRRC) website at [rirrc.org](http://rirrc.org)

At St. Thomas' we have planted many bee friendly flowers in our yard. We do our best to recycle. Each week we save the Scripture reading inserts to use again in 3 years. We recycle the bulletins and containers used in the kitchen. In an effort to be more conscientious about saving the planet, we are going to include two new initiatives during this Season of Creation:

- In our liturgy, we will include some additional prayers for creation
- During coffee hour we will use cardboard cups in place of the Styrofoam ones. We will also recycle the plastic utensils to use again.

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# *Creation Care Across the Divide: a Bipartisan Conversation on Climate Change*

The Creation Care Ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island invites you to a morning of constructive dialogue as we work toward a shared path forward.

## **The Details**

- **Date:** Saturday, October 4, 2025
- **Time:** 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- **Place:** St. Martin's Church, Providence
- **Guest Speakers:** Hear from two fellow Episcopalians from different sides of the political aisle who are united in their concern for our environment:

**SEN. SHELDON WHITEHOUSE (D-RI)**  
**FMR. REP. ROBERT INGLIS (R-SC)**

Regardless of your political point of view, everyone wants clean air and water. This discussion will encourage people to find common ways to work together to safeguard our planet. For more information, and to register, visit the website at

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You can also register here

