



Shared Earth: An Interfaith Conference on the Environment

Thursday, March 18 starting at 6 p.m.
Friday, March 19, 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
1100 East 55th Street, Chicago

Would you like to know why care of the Earth must be an interfaith effort? Come and listen!

Speakers include:

Philip Clayton, Inghram Professor, Claremont School of Theology and professor of religion and philosophy, Claremont Graduate University, "This Sacred Earth: Why Interreligious Partnerships are Indispensable in Addressing the Global Environmental Crisis" (Thursday, 7 p.m.)

Ellen Bernstein, founder of Shomrei Adamah, Keepers of the Earth, the first national Jewish environmental organization, "Celebrating God, Celebrating Earth: Psalms, Sabbath and Holy Days" (Friday, 9 a.m.)

Saleem H. Ali, associate professor of environmental studies, Rubenstein School of Natural Resources, University of Vermont, "Need, Greed and a Sustainable Future" (Friday, 10:45 a.m.)

Sevan Ross, director, Chicago Zen Center, "An Intimate Truth: Selling Water by the River" (Friday, 3:30 p.m.)

Workshops include:

- "Organizing Environmental Interfaith Action Projects," Christopher Stedman, Interfaith Youth Core
- "Creating Faith in Place," the Rev. Dr. Claire Butterfield, Faith in Place
- "The Care and Redemption of God's Good Earth: Perspectives from Christian Theology," Robert Saler, Ph.D. candidate, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
- "Caring for Mother Earth: A Native American Perspective," Vance Blackfox, M.Div. student, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
- "Living Green at the Mosque Foundation," Sh. Kifah Mustapha, Imam and associate director, The Mosque Foundation
- "Environmental Reflections on the Parliament of the World's Religions—A Panel Discussion", Michael Brenner, Michael Matson, Rory Phillips, and Prince Rajamony, students of Lutheran School of Theology*
- "Twelve Kinds of Fruit: New Earth as Whole Earth" —Tom Haverly*

*Presentations by three of our plenary speakers

At this conference we honor the memory of Rabbi Arnold Jacob Wolf (1924-2008), former Rabbi of KAM Isaiah Israel, interfaith leader, visionary and friend of LSTC. We also, throughout our Earth Year events, pay tribute to a colleague as he nears retirement: David M. Rhoads, Professor of New Testament at LSTC and mentor to faith communities as they learn greater love of and care for the earth.

The conference is free, but pre-registration is requested. Go to <http://centers.lstc.edu/ccme/conference/index.php> or call 773-256-0708

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