

As a part of our continuing community outreach, we prepare lunches for Madison Home every Monday. If you would like to help, the following items are needed: Beanie weenies, peanut butter or cheese crackers, individual bags of chips, granola bars, cookies, Vienna sausages, and Little Debbie cakes. You can contact Nancy Adams or Anne Poulter if you have any questions. Please bring items to the kitchen in Fellowship Hall.

Caring for Creation Week 1 – Everything Belongs to Christ

Scripture: Colossians 1:16

Devotional: “*This Is My Father’s World*” Paul reminds us that all things were created through Christ and for Christ. That changes the way we look at the world. The earth is not simply ours to use. It is God’s creation.

The trees belong to God.

The rivers belong to God.

The animals belong to God.

The land belongs to God.

And we belong to God.

If everything was created through Christ and for Christ, then caring for creation becomes an act of discipleship. We don’t care for the earth because we worship nature. We care for creation because we worship the Creator. That means our faith should influence the way we use water, energy, food, land, and the resources God has provided. Stewardship isn’t only about what happens inside the church building. It includes how we live every day.

Reflection: If everything belongs to Christ, what is one thing in your life that God may be calling you to steward differently?

Practice: Choose one practical change—reduce waste, conserve water, recycle, plant something, or use less energy—and offer it to God as an act of worship.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, everything was created through you and for you. Forgive us when we treat your creation as though it belongs only to us. Make us faithful stewards of your world. Amen.

Hymn: This Is My Father’s World, UMH #144.

Future events for your calendar

- ❖ Fall Festival – October 14th. We will need donations (candy and little trinkets), volunteers, and decorations.
- ❖ Richmond City Halloween Hoe-Down – October 29th. You can help by handing out candy at our table downtown or by donating candy to hand out.
- ❖ Children & Youth Sabbath – November 8th. Details to come!
- ❖ Youth Fall Retreat – November 13th & 14th at Aldersgate Camp. All youth are invited to participate.
- ❖ Richmond Christmas Parade (Music, Cider & Popcorn at the Columns) – December 4th
- ❖ United Women in Faith Christmas Tea – December 5th