
Ecological Exam

Joseph Carver, SJ

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All creation reflects the beauty and blessing of God's image. Where was I most aware of this today?

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Can I identify and pinpoint how I made a conscious effort to care for God's creation during this day?

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What challenges or joys do I experience as I recall my care for creation?

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How can I repair breaks in my relationship with creation, in my unspoken sense of superiority?

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As I imagine tomorrow, I ask for the grace to see the Incarnate Christ in the dynamic interconnections of all Creation.

A Christian Prayer in Union With Creation, 'Laudato Si'

Triune Lord,
wondrous community of infinite love,
teach us to contemplate you
in the beauty of the universe,
for all things speak of you.
Awaken our praise and thankfulness for
every being you have made.
Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined
to everything that is.

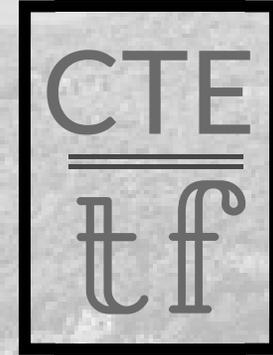
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Prayer of Jesus:

The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

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• CREATION'S TRANSFORMATIVE
ENERGY TASK FORCE •

COMMITMENTS AND EFFORTS
FOR LIFESTYLE CHANGES

ABOUT US

In the 2011 Assembly Direction Statement the Congregation stated its commitment to "stand strong together in a place of risk and promise, aware of Creation's Transformative Energy of which we are a part."

The CTE Threshold Group was formed to explore ways to deepen our understanding and living of this statement. As members did so, it became clear that the statement speaks to our growing understanding and appreciation of the Universe Story (the New Cosmology) and our place/role in it.

In September 2013 the CTE Threshold Group became the Creation's Transformative Energy Task Force (CTE TF). Over the years it has explored the new consciousness (and worldview) which grows out of the principles of the Universe Story (the New Cosmology): unity of all life; all life is connected and related; life thrives on richness and diversity.

As faithful Christians, we recognize the importance of living this new consciousness in our attitudes, behaviors, and choices as we focus on the following areas: celebration, contemplation, community, participation, transformation, and collaboration.

The CTE TF is committed to increasing awareness of and response to Pope Francis' call in *Laudato Si': On Care For Our Common Home*.

The CTE TF:

commits to learn and teach new ways of lifestyle adaptation

commits to support the work of sustainable agriculture (such as Sisters Hill Farm), buy locally, shop at farmers markets, compost, and advocate for food and water security

commits to pursue global justice and peace with a focus on the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals

commits to continue our relationship with persons and groups concerned about issues such as access to fresh water, fracking, renewable energy, and climate change

commits to pray and promote prayer opportunities for others who share our passion and concern

WHAT ARE YOUR COMMITMENTS?

COMMITMENTS



Reduce Your Carbon Footprint



Advocate for Climate Change



Embrace Positive Change



Reflect and Pray



Reduce Waste and Consumption



Promote Renewable and Clean Energy



Eat Healthy, Local Food



Practice Water Conservation