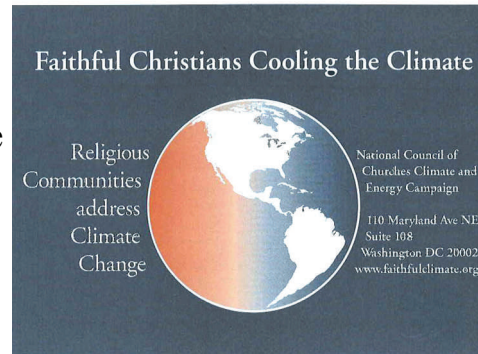


Hold a “Donation Plate” Post Card Drive at Your Church

Holding a post card drive at your Church is fun & exciting. It is a way for your church to express concern for the moral issue of Climate Change that is impacting God’s Creation and God’s People.

The donation plate post card drive is simple and easy because you can start and complete it at your morning Church service. Simply hand out your post cards as the congregation is entering the service, ask them to complete the card, and drop the card in the donations plate as it’s being passed around. It’s that easy to show your concern for God’s Creation. Below are some step-by-step instructions to make things even easier.



STEP 1: Pick a Date for your Event.

Touch base with your church or church leadership team to schedule a date that will work for you as well as your congregation.

STEP 2: Gather Your Post Cards & Materials.

Contact the NCC Eco-Justice staff contact, Tyler Edgar (tedgar@ncccecojustice.org), and have them send you the correct number of post cards you will need. You should ask for enough cards for every person in your service plus 20% more. (If you don’t know exact numbers aim a little bit high, you can always return unused cards.)

Be able to refer people to the web address on the post card if they have questions. It is also a good idea to have extra cards or hand so that people who want to find additional information after they have filled out the card can just take one home.

STEP 3: The Day of the Post Card Drive.

Arrive 30 minutes before the service starts, this way you can pass out cards to folks that arrive early. **Be sure to bring your cards!!!!**

Stand where you are visible to the congregation as they pass by and hand out your cards as they enter the service.

Give a brief explanation of what you would like them to do. For example, “Please take a moment to sign this post card expressing our concern about climate change and its impact on God’s Creation.” *Short and simple is the way to go!*



If it's appropriate, you may want to ask your pastor or minister to say a few words about the cards being distributed at the service.

Make the arrangement to get the cards after the service.

Mail your cards to Tyler Edgar at:
National Council of Churches in Christ
Eco-Justice Programs
110 Maryland Ave NE, Suite 108
Washington, DC 20002



Tips for Success

Have a helper pass out cards with you the day of the drive, its always nice to have a friend with you that can help.

Leave yourself plenty of time - the day of the event as well as leading up to the event make sure you arrive early and can handle any last minute changes.

Worship – Remember you are there to bring awareness to God's Creation not to just getting folks to sign some cards.

Some other ideas:

You could also make arrangements to have the cards put in the worship program, this takes a bit more coordinating and planning on your part.

Wear a button, shirt, hat or name tag that brings attention to you as the person putting on the drive.

NCC Eco-Justice is happy to provide you with additional materials for services and bible studies, such as sermon starters, hymns and liturgies.

The video "God's Creations and Global Warming" along with discussion questions is available **free of charge** to those who would like to view it with friends, family and members of your congregation. To request a copy contact Tyler Edgar at tedgar@ncecojustice.org.

Contact Tyler Edgar at tedgar@ncecojustice.org to get any further details not addressed here. You can also contact the NCC Eco-Justice Program at 202-544-2350 or info@ncecojustice.org.

Offer us any suggestions that would make the process easier! We want to hear from you.