## Ways We Can Each Make a Difference

## TASK OF THE MONTH

After months of record-breaking global temperatures and increasing weatherrelated disasters, many of us are troubled about the future for life on Earth.

Task of the Month is a program to help individuals and households take one action each month. Tasks were selected based on their potential for significant energy savings. Most suggestions are for improving homes or changing habits to reduce our carbon footprints, but advocacy is also an important way we can make a difference. Do whatever works for you!

Following this program together will strengthen our sense of community. And our actions can influence others to make a real difference.

Fliers on the church website will suggest ways we can take actions each month: **Month** Suggested Monthly Tasks\* and Actions January Talk about climate change. Learn how Citizens Climate Lobby advocates for change. **February** Eat green. Plan meals, buy local and compost to reduce waste. March Be energy smart. How much power are your appliances and lights using? April Learn how solar can work for you. Advocate for Community Solar. □ May Shift your ride. Reduce the impact of your local and long-distance travel. June Stay cool wisely. Adjust your thermostat to save energy and money. **July** Be water wise. Install low-flow showerheads & faucet aerators. August Reduce the use of plastic & paper. Adopt earth-friendly cleaning methods. September Reduce the impact of doing laundry. Wash in cold water, air-dry clothes.

- October Be heat wise. Try gradually lowering your thermostat.
- □ November Plan greener giving. Give things people need, used items, local memberships.
- December Celebrate our accomplishments!

## \*If you have already taken all the suggested actions that you can, and want to do more, contact your congregation's Green Team!



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