

The Shenandoah River District  
United Women in Faith Social Action Committee presents  
**Earth Day Retreat: Celebrating God's Great Creation**



**Saturday, April 22, 2023 via Zoom from 9:00 AM – 12:00 noon**

**Facilitator: Karen McElfish**

Commissioned as an *Earth Keeper* by the Board of Global Ministries, September 2022

Chair-VA Annual Conference Organizing Team for *Creation Justice Movement*

Member-VA Conference Church & Society *Creation Justice Team*

**Retreat Outline**

**Opening Worship: A Celebration of the Beauty and Wonder of God's Great Creation**  
**Presentation by Karen McElfish: United Methodist-sponsored programs of Creation: Justice Movement, Just Energy for All & the Virginia Annual Conference**  
***Green Church Initiative***  
**Time for Self-Reflection and Soul-Care**  
**Break Out Cluster Groups**  
**Follow-up and Commitment to Action**  
**Sending**

Helpful Online Resources

Link to Virginia Annual Conference website and earth care information: <https://vaumc.org/creationjustice/>

Link to UWF website and Just Energy Advocacy information:

<https://uwfaith.org/what-we-do/serve-and-advocate/just-energy-4-all/>

Register by clicking on this link:

<https://agile-defense.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEvfuqurDgoHt2euJLEvlunb9U8vObgHEdq>

You will receive a confirmation email with zoom link and resources for you to review for the program.

Participation applies to parts of **Section 3** of the "Living into Our Purpose" form,  
**EXPERIENCE FREEDOM AS WHOLE PERSONS (HOPE)**