# Moderator’s Earth Week Message 2025

## Transcript of video message

Greetings.

The gifts of natural creation are bountiful, from the thousands of animals with whom we share our land to the water which sustains our lives, but the warming of the planet cause by greenhouse agas emissions poses a grave threat to its harmony. Climbing temperatures and extreme weather events continue to damage our communities and deep, bold, and daring action must be taken.

From April 20th to 27th this year, we’re celebrating Earth Week in partnership with For the Love of Creation, a national initiative uniting faith bodies to help spark education and action for climate justice.

In our Centennial year, we look back at the United Church’s long history of acting for Creation and we reflect always on how we can better live as true stewards of our natural environment.

Since 1977, our commitment has evolved, culminating in concreate steps like divesting from fossil fuels, launching educational programs like the Climate Motivators, and forming interfaith collaborations for climate justice.

This spring, we’re excited to release our 2023–2024 Sustainability Report, featuring updates on the impact of our Faithful Footprints program, through which we’ve offered brants to over 500 renewable energy and energy conservation projects to date.

Together, we move closer every day to meeting our aspirational commitment to reduce the church’s carbon emissions by 80% by 2030. Last year, over 90 communities participated in For the Love of Creation Week, praying and connecting with the Earth, learning and sharing knowledge, and acting for climate justice.

With your partnership, lets make headlines with 100 events to mark our 100th year. Resources and ideas for getting involved are on our website, and stay tuned for an interactive map of events happening across Canada.

Join us as we act together for the love of Creation.

*Find resources on the* [*Earth Sunday page*](https://united-church.ca/worship-special-days/earth-sunday) *and the* [*For the Love of Creation website*](https://fortheloveofcreation.ca/)*.*