

Creation Care Newsletter, April 2017

• **Christ is Risen! Historic climate march on Saturday!** This Saturday, April 29, people from across the country – including thousands of people of faith – will converge on our nation's Capital for an historic march for "Jobs, Justice, and Climate." Simultaneous sister marches will be held in Boston, Greenfield, and Springfield. Grab a church banner and head to the march nearest you! For details, visit PeoplesClimate.org.

- I preached a [sermon about Doubting Thomas and the climate crisis](#). "I am grateful for Doubting Thomas, for he gives voice to our doubt – doubt that we can prevent catastrophic climate change, doubt that we can make a difference, doubt that resurrection is even possible. But just as Jesus invited Thomas to move past his doubts, so, too, Jesus invites us to receive the power of his forgiveness and the gift of his energizing Spirit."
- Just in time for Earth Day, I spoke at Amherst Cinema about [the power of reverence and resistance as we take up our call, as Noah did, to save life before the flood](#).

• River of Life: Connecticut River Pilgrimage, 40 days of pilgrimage, May 31-July 9. Sign up to paddle for a day, a week, or the entire journey! This canoe/kayaking pilgrimage is generating excitement across New England, and many members of our Diocese, including Bishop Fisher, will take part. For information and to register, visit KairosEarth.

• **SAVE THE DATE!** At 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 11, we will hold a festive, outdoor, interfaith prayer service under a big tent in Northampton. "Prayers for the Planet: Reverence and Resistance" will feature two outstanding guest preachers, the faith-based climate activists Rev. Mariama White-Hammond and Jay O'Hara. Gather outdoors with friends, neighbors, and worship leaders (including Bishop Fisher) from a range of faith traditions as we join in prayer, song, and silence, listen to stirring messages, and renew our energy and hope.

• Please be in touch (mbj@revivingcreation.org) if you'd like me to preach, speak, or lead a retreat in your parish. Visit RevivingCreation.org for blog posts, sermons, articles, and more.

-- Faithfully yours, (The Rev.) Margaret Bullitt-Jonas, Missioner for Creation Care

