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I am seeking a travel stipend

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Thank you!

*Let the heavens rejoice,
let the earth be glad;
let the sea resound, and
all that is in it; let the
fields be jubilant, and
everything in
them. Then
all the trees
of the forest
will sing for joy; they
will sing before the
Lord, for he comes, he
comes to judge the world
in righteousness and the
peoples in his truth.*



Psalm 96: 11-13



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**FAITH AND THE
ENVIRONMENT**

A Multi-Denominational Workshop
and Training for Montana Clergy



NOVEMBER 10, 2008

Hosted at Christ United Methodist
Church/First Congregational UCC
2900 9th Avenue South
Great Falls, Montana

*This workshop is endorsed by the
Great Falls Ministerial Association,
and offers seven continuing
education credits.*

WHAT'S IT ABOUT?

This November 10, 2008 workshop in Great Falls offers an opportunity for Montana clergy to discuss faith-based environmental initiatives that can transform congregations, communities and, ultimately, ecological health. Sponsored by The Tributary Fund of Bozeman, Montana, and advised by a steering committee of Montana pastors and lay leaders from many Christian denominations, the day-long and free-of-charge workshop will take place at the Great Falls Christ United Methodist Church/First Congregational UCC, 2900 9th Ave South.

The clergy-led workshop is targeted to rural pastors of all denominations, but is also open to anyone interested. Faith communities throughout the country have begun to respond to modern ecological challenges. Study materials are now available, including "green" sermons, energy savings in churches, adult education curricula and how-to guides. Many of these basic tools will be introduced at the workshop.

THINGS YOU'LL TAKE WITH YOU

Practical ideas and resources for addressing conservation issues in your church and community through the Christian perspective

•
8 Continuing Education credits for ELCA Lutherans and other denominations

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A training from knowledgeable speakers

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A time to network with fellow clergy

•
A free lunch!

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A travel stipend for those who apply

THE AGENDA

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2008

8:00 AM Registration and Breakfast Fare

9:00 AM Morning Prayer, *Rev. Kama Hamilton Morton, Sanctuary*

9:15 AM The Inspiration for This Meeting: Introductions and Agenda Review, *Betsy Gaines Quammen, The Tributary Fund; and Deborah Schmidt, United Methodist Church, Whitefish*

9:45 AM Your Priorities: A Review of the Pre-Meeting Survey Results, *Mark Goetz, Member, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Great Falls*

10:00 AM An Interactive Primer on Theological Approaches and Tools for Environmental Stewardship, *Rev. Rebekah Simon-Peter, BridgeWorks, Rawlins, WY*

Noon Lunch in the Community Room

1:00 PM A Primer on Environmental Issues in Montana, *Beth Kaeding, Board Chair of the Northern Plains Resources Council and Dr. Tom Roy, Professor, University of Montana School of Environmental Studies*

2:00 PM Facilitated Dialogue (break into three groups): What are the most significant issues that keep your congregation from becoming more involved in environmental stewardship? Please share experiences, frustrations, ideas. *Facilitated by fellow clergy members.*

2:40 PM Reporting Back (*by group recorders*)

3:00 PM Facilitated Dialogue (break into three new groups): What resources,

fundamental changes, or actions can help you, as the church leader, embrace opportunities for environmental stewardship in your church? What steps has your congregation already taken? *Facilitated by fellow clergy members.*

3:40 PM Reporting Back (*by group recorders*)

4:00 PM A Review of Resources, Published Materials and Case Studies. From members of the meeting Steering Committee and *Rev. Rebekah Simon-Peter*

4:30 PM Next Steps: Addressing Your Future Needs

5:00 PM Closing Reflection, Thanks and Safe Travels!
Rev. Kama Hamilton Morton

All registrants are asked to carpool to the workshop if possible, and to bring a Bible and water bottle. A final agenda and registration information will be updated at thetributaryfund.org.

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The Tributary Fund is a non profit organization engaging communities in conservation solutions by connecting religious, scientific and local leaders. Its offices are located in Bozeman, Montana.

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