Climate resources for churches

A crucial conference for the climate is taking place in Glasgow in November. COP26 is a global United Nations summit about climate change and how countries are planning to tackle it.

Here is a small selection of resources and links to help churches prepare and pray about the issues, as well as take action.



Climate Sunday

Climate Sunday is an ecumenical initiative which equips churches to put climate action at the heart of discipleship and mission. In this crucial year ahead of COP26, it has the dual aim of bringing churches together to pray and act on the climate, and of giving churches which haven't taken action on the climate yet a chance to get involved.

It is encouraging churches to hold a climate-focused service to explore the theological and scientific basis of creation care and action on climate ahead of COP26, to pray, and to commit to action. There are lots of resources to enable that to happen.

The Baptist Union of Great Britain is an official supporter.

climatesunday.org



Eco Church

Make a commitment as a local church community to take long term action to reduce your own greenhouse gas emissions.

Eco Church is an awards scheme from the Christian charity A Rocha that helps churches become eco-friendly.

ecochurch.arocha.org.uk



Operation Noah

Operation Noah is a Christian charity working with the Church to inspire action on the climate crisis. How should Christians respond to global warming? Should the church be involved with politics? How do Christian values relate to climate change? Operation Noah aims to tackle these questions in several ways - theology, campaigning, equipping, prayer, communication and partnerships.

operationnoah.org



Young Christian Climate Network

The YCCN was launched at the beginning of August 2020. This new network is an action-focused community of Christians in the UK aged 18-30, choosing to follow Jesus in the pursuit of climate justice and who are looking to act on climate change.

It has organised a walking relay from Cornwall to Glasgow and the COP26 venue to show that supporters care about climate justice and creation care.

yccn.uk



The Baptist Union Environment Network

A new Baptist network that connects people with a passion for the environment and climate change, which launched in September 2020.

BUEN has prepared a COP 26 guide for Baptist churches: baptist.org.uk/cop26guide

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Doxecology

Doxecology, by Resound Worship, is a collection of 13 contemporary, congregational worship songs on themes of creation, ecology and Christian hope. Alongside the album there are scores and charts, backing tracks and lyric videos (with streaming permission), and an accompanying book of studies with contributions from some leading scholars and practitioners in the fields of environmental concern and worship.

resoundworship.org/projects/doxecology