



Delaware Interfaith Power & Light

A Religious Response to Climate Change

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**Delaware Interfaith Power and Light
Faith Community Covenant**

Members of DeIPL have a shared mission - to provide a religious response to the causes and impacts of climate change. We believe we have a moral responsibility to preserve the health of our families, our neighbors and our environment; to scientifically inform and spiritually deepen our understanding of our relationship with each other and the natural world. And given that understanding, we see climate change as a defining moral issue of our times. Joining DeIPL demonstrates your commitment to a shared ministry to protect the earth's ecosystems, safeguard public health and ensure clean, sustainable sources of energy for all.

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As a spiritual leader of my faith community, I pledge our support for the mission of Delaware Interfaith Power and Light and commit to do one or more of the following:

- Engage in an ongoing process of education with our faith community concerning environmental stewardship, energy efficiency and conservation, renewable energy and environmental justice in relation to climate change.
- Establish a Stewardship/Earth Care/Creation Care team.
- Conduct an energy audit of our buildings to identify sources of energy waste, evaluate financial savings of energy related repairs and upgrades, and explore financial incentives.
- Make energy efficiency improvements to our worship facilities.
- Support expansion of *renewable energy use* by purchasing green power and/or purchasing or leasing clean, alternative energy systems (could include community solar.)
- Analyze, reduce, and offset our greenhouse gas emissions with the goal of becoming a non-polluting congregation. (Sign on to *WE'RE STILL IN!...And getting to ZERO...Carbon down...Green up*: <http://www.interfaithpowerandlight.org/were-still-in-paris/>)
- Advocate for public policies and practices that contribute to our shared goals.

(DeIPL will be happy to provide you with helpful resources to meet these commitments.)

Signature _____ Date: _____

Print Title/Name: _____

Faith Community: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email / _____

Website: _____ Number of members _____