



Northern Illinois Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



Report of the Creation Care Subcommittee

As I write this report on a beautiful spring day, I feel so blessed that God has given us this amazing world! The Creation Care Committee strives to make everyone aware of that fact as we endeavor to be better caretakers of our earth!

A recent highlight of the past year was an Earth Day Celebration in collaboration with LOMC. We also sponsored Earth Church services every three months.

Last June we had a Stream Walk at the Soderholm land to discover the life found in this small stream which eventually feeds into the Mississippi River. We were glad to learn that this stream was healthy!

In our effort to provide education and discussion we led two book studies over Zoom. The first was *Speak with the Earth and it will Teach You: A Field Guide to the Bible*. The author, Pastor Daniel Cooperrider joined our last session. That same theme was part of the second study using material from Gather magazine. Pastor Sara-Olson Smith author of “Scripture and nature: Teachers of Faith” was able to join our final session.

Our committee (which is a subcommittee of Social Ministry) is open to anyone who is interested. Look for our displays at CRE and Synod Assembly for more information.

Respectfully submitted,
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