

WORKSHOPS

The sessions and their presenters are:

Session A

This Ground is Sacred: A Model for Religious Education

Dr. David Blumenkranz, Director, The Center for the Advancement of Youth, Family, and Community Services, Glastonbury, CT

What's Toxic, What's Not

Gary Ginsburg, Ph.D., a state Department of Public Health toxicologist and assistant clinical professor at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine. He is host of Greener Living with Dr. G. on WTIC radio.

This Old Weatherized House: Best Investment Yet!

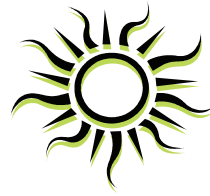
Jon Gorham, Co-founder and Director of Business Development for SunEthanol, a non-food, cellulosic ethanol company

Effecting Public Policy: A Primer on Civic Engagement

State Sen. Andrew Roraback

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Session B

Spiritual Resources for Seizing Hope in a Season of Despair

The Rev. Margaret Bullitt-Jonas, writer and climate activist

Green Sabbath: Increasing Our Sense of Enchantment

The Rev. Dr. Donna Schaper, Senior Minister, Judson Memorial Church, New York, NY, and author of "Living Well While Doing Good," "Embracing Simplicity," and "Sabbath Keeping"

Urban Community Gardens: A Local Food Source

Charmaine Craig, Community Network Builder, Knox Parks Foundation, Hartford, CT

Townwide Models for Interfaith Action on Climate and Energy

Lynn Campbell, Parish Social Ministry Coordinator, Office of Urban Affairs, Archdiocese of Hartford, with members of the Wethersfield Interfaith Green Committee and Citizens for a Greener Manchester

PROGRAM

4:00 P.M. — REGISTRATION/DISPLAYS

4:30 P.M. — KEYNOTE ADDRESS

BY JOHN GRIM

5:30 P.M. — WORKSHOPS (SESSION A)

6:30 P.M. — DINNER AND

FREE TIME FOR

VIEWING DISPLAYS

7:30 P.M. — WORKSHOPS (SESSION B)

8:30 P.M. — CLOSING MEDITATION

COST: \$30, INCLUDES DINNER

\$20, STUDENTS

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VEGETARIAN MEAL

The Hartford Seminary bookstore will have a special display at this workshop, so stop by its table for books of interest to anyone committed to the environment.



**Registration form:
(Forum on Religion and the Environment)**

Mailing this form confirms your registration. You will not be contacted unless there is a change in the program date. Registrations received without payment cannot be processed. No refunds will be made if cancellation is within five business days of the program.

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Keynote Address by John Grim:

**Religion and Ecology:
The Problems and the Promise**

For decades, environmental issues were considered the concern of scientists, lawyers, and policy makers. Now, the ethical dimensions of the environmental crisis are becoming more obvious. What is our moral responsibility toward the future generations? How can we ensure equitable development that does not destroy the environment? Can religious and cultural perspectives help solve environmental challenges? Our challenge now is to identify the vision and values that will spark a transformation toward creating a sustainable future. Such a multiform planetary goal requires not just managerial or legislative approaches - the saving of forests or fisheries. Undoubtedly, these are necessary, but our goal needs a vision of that future, evoking depths of empathy, compassion, and sacrifice for the welfare of future generations. We are called to a new intergenerational consciousness and conscience.

John Grim comes from the Missouri drift plains of North Dakota where he grew up leaning against the winds until they blew him east to study with Thomas Berry in the history of religions at Fordham University. His area of scholarly exploration is indigenous traditions. Currently he is a Senior Lecturer and Research Scholar at Yale University, and Environmental Ethicist-in-Residence at Yale's Interdisciplinary Center for Bioethics. With Mary Evelyn Tucker he is the co-founder of the Forum on Religion and Ecology and series editors of *World Religions and Ecology*. He has been a professor of religion at Bucknell University, and Sarah Lawrence College where he taught courses in Native American and Indigenous religions, World Religions, and Religion and Ecology. John is also President of the American Teilhard Association.

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A Fall Forum on
Religion and the
Environment



Wednesday, September 24, 2008

4 p.m. – 9 p.m.

*At: First Church of Christ
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