Creation Care Theology

**Key Vocabulary**

- **Communion**
  Sharing and exchanging intimate thoughts and feelings, especially on a spiritual level

- **Vocation/Calling**
  Life’s work, purpose, function, occupation, career

- **Economy**
  Careful management of available resources, wealth, and resources

- **Interdependence**
  Mutual reliance

- **Helper/Helpmate/Partner**
  One who helps someone else, taking part with others to complete a task

- **Mandate**
  (Divine) law, rule, order, principle

- **Earth/Land**
  Location for all divine/human interaction

**Key Takeaways**

- **Climate justice and environmental justice are moral challenges**
  - Moral obligation not to harm others, to be fair, to care for the poor and vulnerable
  - Environmental disparities including climate change are hurting the vulnerable

- **Creation and the natural world are gifts of which we have the responsibility for being stewards**
  - The divine is all around us
  - Caring for the natural world is an act of worship

- **We live our faith through the actions we take**
  - Personal commitments to reaffirm faith, share and lead
  - Help to inspire others to build a value-based world