Eco Churches of West Hamilton (EcoWHam)

Mission

To practice and advance ecological sustainability in keeping with Christian principles of stewardship.

Participating Members from

Knox Presbyterian Church, Dundas St. Augustine's Parish (Roman Catholic Church), Dundas St. Mark's United Church, Dundas St. James Anglican Church, Dundas St. Paul's United Church, Dundas Westdale United Church, Hamilton

Representatives from each participating church have been meeting in Dundas since July 2009 to help each other to promote ecological activities in the pastoral charges/parishes, and to learn about environmentally sustainable practices that can be implemented in their homes, churches, and the wider community.

Activities and Events

Annual Earth Hour services

Discussions and climate change town hall with Filomena Tassi
City of Hamilton speakers: recycling/hazardous waste,
water conservation/wastewater treatment
City of Hamilton Clean-up Days

Workshops by Environmental Defence: toxics in personal care
products, threats to the Great Lakes
Various climate change events

Co-sponsor events with KAIROS and Dundas in Transition
Promote Environment Hamilton, 350.org, Blue Dot events

For more information, please contact any of the churches listed. Our main spokesperson is Wayne Poole, Knox Presbyterian. E-mail: waynepoole3@gmail.com

Resources and Supportive Organizations

Environment Hamilton-www.environmenthamilton.org

A not-for-profit organization to help Hamiltonians develop the knowledge and skills they need to protect the environment and to build a sustainable future for Hamilton.

Faith and the Common Good-Greening Sacred Spaces-www.greeningsacredspaces.net

A project of Environment Hamilton to assist faith communities to create more sustainable and energy-efficient places of worship and to educate their members about ecological issues.

KAIROS - www.kairoscanada.org

An ecumenical partnership working to promote human rights, justice and peace, viable human development, and ecological justice.

350.org - www.350.org

An international movement to advocate for reduced fossil fuel use and promote public awareness of climate change.

Dundas in Transition-www.dundasintransition.ca

An all-volunteer, non-profit organization in Dundas focused on facing the challenges of climate change and dependence on fossil fuels through increasing local resilience and self-sufficiency.

A Rocha - www.arocha.ca

An international Christian organization which engages in scientific research, environmental education and community-based conservation projects.

City of Hamilton-www.hamilton.ca

Supports water conservation, recycling, eating local food, and many other environmental projects.