



Verses and thought for the week:

Psalm 24 v 1

The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.

Genesis Chapter 2 v 15

The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.

Emmanuel's Climate Sunday services took place on October 24th. Do watch the morning service online if you were unable to attend or watch it live. The Climate Sunday initiative is calling all local churches across Great Britain and Ireland to hold a climate focused service on any Sunday before COP26 (in Nov 2021). Our vision is to leave a lasting legacy of thousands of churches better equipped to address this critical issue as part of their discipleship and mission to make a significant contribution to civil society efforts to secure adequate national and international action at COP26.

The theme, from www.climatesunday.org, was to focus on these three areas; Worship, Commit and Speak Up. This involves holding a climate focused service, to make a commitment as a local church to taking long term action to reduce your own greenhouse gas emissions and to use your voice to tell politicians that you want a cleaner, greener, fairer future at the heart of plans to rebuild a strong economy.

Ideas and action:

Worship

- Why not spend some time this week, especially if it's half term for you, actively going outside to enjoy God's creation?
- Celebrate your artistic side and enter our Art Competition. The competition is running till the last day in October.

Commit

- If you took part in the morning service, then commit to your 'footstep'.
- If you weren't at the service, or if you just need a reminder, then log on to www.count-us-in.org. Watch the video and investigate the website for ideas as to how to reduce your carbon footprint.

Speak Up

- Use your voice to talk to your friends about the issues that are important to you. Also you could contact your local MP. Why not take the plunge and send an email explaining why Climate Sunday was important to you and use the ideas from www.count-us-in.org about the 'tell your politicians' footstep.
- If you are, or you know, a young person then why not take part in 'Letters for Creation'. The Church of England and Christian Aid are inviting children and young people under 30 to write letters reflecting on what caring for creation means to them and how they want their voice to be heard in the climate justice conversation. Details can be found on [CofE - Letters for Creation](#) or [Christian Aid - Letters for Creation](#).