



The **Season of Creation (SoC)** is almost upon us—it starts this coming Sunday.

Here's how the Anglican Communion Environmental Network (ACEN) describes the SoC: "Each year, from 1 September, the Global Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, to 4 October, St Francis of Assisi Day, many Anglicans use the Season of Creation – also known as Creation Time – to pray and celebrate with creation, focus on the story of Earth, and commit to a ministry of healing Earth." You can find out more about what churches—Anglican and other—around the world are doing to mark the SoC at the ACEN website: <https://acen.anglicancommunion.org/resources/season-of-creation.aspx>.

The Anglican Church of Canada has information here: <https://www.anglican.ca/publicwitness/season-of-creation/>.

The Diocese of New Westminster voted to adopt the Season of Creation in 2019, and has information here: <https://www.vancouver.anglican.ca/news/praying-learning-acting-in-the-season-of-creation>. On Saturday, August 28th, the Diocese is holding a daylong "Season of Creation Convergence" at the Synod Offices in Vancouver. More information will be coming from the Diocese soon, we hope.

Lots of information and inspiration to follow up on!

Here at St Hilda's we (especially Steve, our Rector, and Bruce Pond, our Creation Care Coordinator) are developing our own SoC tradition, and this year's celebration will include some now-familiar elements.

### **Sunday Services**

Sunday Services will use the Salal and Cedar liturgy (for information about Salal and Cedar, see <https://www.salalandcedar.com/>).

Sept 1 10:00 AM Sermon: Mike Starr: "Sacrifice or Joy?"

Sept 15 10:00 AM Sermon: Lee and Sage Kosa of the Estuary Church in Ladner (<https://www.estuarychurch.ca/>)

11:30 AM Parish Potluck – vegetarian preferred – bring your own dishes and cutlery

2:00 PM Wild Church led by Lee and Sage Kosa at Porpoise Bay Provincial Park

4:00 PM Taizé Service at St Hilda's

Sept 29 10:00 AM Sermon: Reverend Cameron Gutjahr of the Church of St John the Divine, Squamish

Oct 6 10:00 AM Blessing of Animals

### **Meditative Walks**

These are all on Tuesdays, and start at 3.00 PM. Each walk will begin with a short reading, followed by a meditative walk, and then we will re-group for review and sending prayer. If you need, or can offer, a ride, please let Bruce Pond know (604-747-4901) or by email at [millpondsailor@gmail.com](mailto:millpondsailor@gmail.com).

- Sept 3rd St. Hilda's Grounds
- Sept 10th Sechelt Marsh
- Sept 17th Sargeant Bay Provincial Park
- Sept 24th Hidden Grove

### **Library Display**

Display of creation, sustainability and environmental books in the Narthex.

Looking forward to a wonderful celebration of the gifts of Creation,  
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