



SUSTAINABLE SANCTUARY coalition

May 2014 Newsletter

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Monthly Gathering

Presenter:
Dr. Mani Mani
Monday, June 02
7:00-8:30 p.m.
Village Church

Wise Words

I don't think God is going to ask us how He created



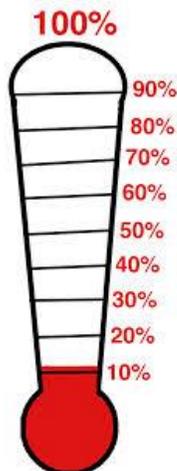
the earth, but He will ask us what we did with what he created.

-Rev. Rich Cizik

50 Ways



Spring into Action Fund Campaign



Join Sustainable Sanctuary Coalition on this \$25,000 campaign. Help us meet our goal and partner with us as we educate, serve, and advocate for the earth. The campaign began on Earth Day, April 22 and ends on Labor Day, September 01. We have a matching grant so your donation can do twice the good. Here are some of the ways you can participate:

- Make a onetime personal contribution
- Make a monthly personal contribution
- Raise funds on behalf of SSC
- Host a recycling event at your congregation, work, or school
- Encourage your congregation to make a contribution to SSC

Give online [here](#) or mail contributions to P.O. Box 732 Mission, KS 66201.

Day of Action

On Saturday, May 17, 2014, join communities around the country to ask the president and local officials to reject the Keystone XL pipeline, offshore drilling and other dirty fuel projects that threaten our communities and destabilize our



01. Change your light bulbs to LED or CFL lamps
02. Don't preheat the oven
03. Go vegetarian once a week
04. Wash clothes in cold water
05. Brush teeth without running water
06. Ban bath time
07. Plant a tree
08. Use the cruise control
09. Buy local
10. Turn off lights

Find more info [here](#)

SSC's Mission

Partnering with faith communities to practice environmental sustainability.

We support and educate green team members, facility managers, and spiritual leaders.

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Upcoming Events



Ban Dirty Fuel Rally
May 17

Recycling Event
The Temple, Congregation
B'nai Jehudah
May 18, 9-12 p.m.

Monthly Meeting
June 02, 7-8:30 p.m.

climate. As millions begin to understand that we must keep dirty fuels in the ground if we are to have any hope of halting climate change, there's a rising tide of grassroots activism demanding that we choose a clean energy future over the dangerous and dirty fuels of the past. Join others to make your voice heard. Learn more about the Kansas City rally [here](#).

Local Church Gets National Award



Grace Covenant Presbyterian, a partner church of SSC, has been selected by Interfaith Power & Light as a winner of the Cool Congregations Challenge, an annual contest which honors congregations involved in the energy and climate arena. Grace Covenant was the winner of the Energy Saver award for its "Adopt-a-Light" program which saves the congregation \$3800 per year and prevents 22.5 tons of CO2 from

entering the atmosphere, yielding a 15% footprint reduction. Please congratulate Grace Covenant and be inspired on the differences you can make at your own house of worship.

KC Premiere Huge Success

Thank you to everyone who came to SSC's Kansas City premiere of Elemental. Even with thunderstorms, 55 people attended. It was an



evening with some great door prizes, awesome fellowship, and an inspiring film. We learned that while making changes to improve the environment is difficult, with dedication and persistence things can improve.

Water, Holy Water: A reflection in honor of Earth

Recycling Event
Village Church
June 7, 9-12 p.m.

Recycling Event
Macedonia Baptist Church
June 28, 9-12 p.m.

Recycling Event
Holy Cross
July 26

Recycling Event
Platte Woods
August 09, 9-12 p.m.

EarthServe
September 13



Written by Jerry Rees

Water is the most abundant and fundamental element on Earth. Because of climate change and increasing population, there is a critical need for water conservation at home and safe clean water abroad. Internationally, the availability of safe clean water is becoming a major humanitarian and environmental problem with national security implications. Read more [here](#)