

Unitarian Universalist Church of Ellsworth Green Sanctuary Charter

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Ellsworth has created a Green Sanctuary Committee in order to further affirm and promote the UUA Seventh Principle “respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.” In keeping with the goals of the UU Ministry for Earth Program, <http://uuministryforearth.org/cgi/news.cgi>, the committee aims to:

- build awareness of societal environmental issues, emphasizing the importance of energy use as the root cause of many of these issues.
- generate commitment for personal lifestyle changes
- motivate members to community action on environmental issues
- build a connection between spiritual practice and environmental consciousness
- build awareness of and rectify environmental injustices.
- ensure that the physical facilities of UUCE truly exemplify a ‘green sanctuary’.

Members of the Green Sanctuary Committee represent all areas of UUCE’s life.

The committee will conduct an environmental and energy use audit for UUCE and create an action plan consisting of activities in the areas of worship and celebration, religious exploration, environmental justice, and sustainable living. These activities will involve all members of the Church

Our goal is to seek accreditation as a Green Sanctuary and then to continue our work in eco-spirituality, environmental issues, and sustainable living through the ongoing efforts of UUCE’s Green Sanctuary Committee.