Good News Gardens and Creation Care





The Episcopal Church promotes <u>Good News Gardens</u> through <u>Agrarian Ministries Creation Care</u> initiatives. The mission of the Good News Gardens movement, as led by The Episcopal Church, is to partner with people in transformational agrarian ministry that feeds body, mind, and spirit.

Good News Gardens is a church-wide movement of individuals, congregations, schools, colleges, seminaries, monasteries, camps and conference centers involved in a variety of food and creation care ministries – gardening, farming, beekeeping, composting, gleaning, feeding, and food justice advocacy. The list goes on and on. Collectively Good News Gardens share their abundance, their prayers, and the Way of Love in their communities and beyond.

One such garden in the Diocese, <u>The Garden of Hope</u>, at <u>The Community of St John Baptist</u>, was visited by <u>Michael Curry's National Agrarian Ministries Team</u> in the summer of 2022.

Another endeavor is planned for <u>St Andrews and Holy Communion</u> in South Orange. It will include a garden for their day care center as well as the kitchen garden and plots in a community garden to help supplement SAHC support of <u>Christine's Kitchen and Holy Trinity food pantry</u> in West Orange.

Good News Gardens are not limited to just vegetable gardens. If your church maintains habitat for pollinators you can also register to join this network.

If you are interested in creating a Good News Garden program please let us know so that we can provide educational resources and networking opportunities.

~Social Justice Team