Climate and Community Retreat April 17-19, 2020

Schedule

(This schedule is subject to change as we nail down details for workshops, etc. Check the website periodically for updated schedules.)

Friday

- 7:00 Arrive and check-in
- 8:00 8:45 Welcome activity and introductions*
- 8:45 Evening free time/Snack
- 9:00 Mixed small group discussion (optional)

Saturday

- 8:15-8:30 Morning watch (optional)
- 8:30 Breakfast

9:30-10:30 Keynote session with Dr. Sibonokuhle Ncube

10:30-10:45 - Break

- 10:45-12:15 Workshops/Hike/On your own options
- 12:30 Lunch optional focused discussion tables
- 1:30-3:00 Workshops/Hike/On your own options
- 3:00-3:15 Snack
- 3:15-4:45 Workshops/Hike/On your own options
- 4:45-5:30 Reflection time, enjoy camp
- 5:30-6:30 Supper optional focused discussion tables

6:30-7:30 - Our Actions in Creation/Solutions

- Small group work within organizations/communities goals/actions
- 8:00-8:45 Campfire
- 9:00-10:15 Film/discussion (optional)

Sunday

- 8:15-8:30 Morning watch (optional)
- 8:15-9:00 Light breakfast set out (optional)
- 8:30-9:30 You pick Personal meditation in nature time/action planning for green
- teams/fellowship over light breakfast/sleep!

9:30-10:30 - Worship

- Sharing and empowering goals and actions
- 10:30-11:30 Brunch
- 11:45-1:00 Bonus workshop session
- 1:00--2:00 Pack up/Departure

*Times in bold are key large group gatherings.



Current workshop topics (may change slightly):

- Strategic creation care plans tailored for churches Katie Isaac (Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions) and Jennifer Schrock (MCCN)
- Climate change and investing Chad Campbell and Chris Meyer (Everence)
- Preliminary results of congregational study by Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions Malinda Berry (CSCS, AMBS)
- Doctrine of Discovery Luke Gascho (Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition)
- Songs for the Earth Wendy Chappell Dick (First Mennonite Bluffton, OH) and Amy Stauffer McNutt (First Mennonite Sugarcreek, OH)
- How to build creation care themes into worship (Tentative) Janeen Bertsche Johnson (AMBS/Eighth Street Mennonite)
- Creative ways to teach interdependence Michael Crosby (First Mennonite Champaign-Urbana)
- Engaging in public policy with a faith perspective Dori Chandler (Hoosier Interfaith Power and Light)
- Dealing with climate grief and anxiety (Tentative) TBA
- Goshen City Environmental Resolution (Simon Hertzler Gascho Youth Caucus at Goshen High School)

<u>Activities/Workshops for all ages:</u>

- Guided hikes with Bill Minter (Merry Lea Environmental Center)
- Dipping for macroinvertebrates in the fen
- Making cricket cookies
- Songs for the Earth (same as above)
- Vermicomposting (Tentative)

On your own options:

- Canoe/kayak
- Destination point hike
- Nature sculptures
- Fellowship/network
- Personal and community reflection/planning time
- Peruse resource tables
- _____ (fill in the blank!)

*Kids' Camp (childcare) will be available during workshops and Saturday evening solutions session