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AN ECO-JUSTICE NETWORK

Annual Report 2011

A Message from the Moderator

Dear Colleagues in Earth Care,

Grace and Peace to you as we celebrate another amazing journey of the Earth around the Sun (borrowing the language of PEC founder, friend, and fellow Earth-tender, Bill Somplatsky-Jarman). We celebrate your membership in PEC and are grateful for your work and ministry in social and environmental justice. We have appreciated your support through prayer, advocacy, and financial donations, and much more.

2011 was a year of transition for PEC. During our 2011 Annual Meeting, we honored members of the Steering Committee who devoted faithful service to our Eco-Justice network and who completed their terms. They include the following: Jenny Holmes (who served as moderator and coordinated many outstanding efforts of PEC for six years) and Regional Representatives Bob Remsburg, Bee Moorehead and Rick Melin. We thank them for their exceptional leadership.

In our work in social and environmental justice-seeking, God has granted us wisdom and has blessed us with a variety of gifts in which we can provide ministry through prophetic advocacy, education, and vision. We celebrate with gratitude as God continues to hold us up and lead us as we worship, discern, and network with new and previous friends.

I am looking forward to continued collaboration with PEC members, with PCUSA partners such as Environmental Ministries and with other faith-based and secular eco-justice groups. I look toward strengthening our web of earth-supporting and earth-nurturing work. It is a great privilege. Please continue that journey with us and share the word with others!!

Yours in Earth-tending,

Diane Waddell

Moderator,

Presbyterians for Earth Care

Accomplishments in 2011

With thanks, we presented the Rev. Bill Somplatsky-Jarman with the William E. Gibson Lifetime Achievement Award and recognized Montview Boulevard Presbyterian Church, Denver, CO with PEC's Restoring Creation Award.

We shared a successful conference: God's Earth: Too Big to Fail? An Eco-Justice Conversation among Faith, Science and Culture, at Highlands Camp and Conference Center in Allenspark, CO, August 31 – September 3. Highlights included the excellent leadership of Rev. Dr. Bill Brown (Columbia Theological Seminary), Teyvyn East with "Leaps and Bounds", and many others. We appreciated tours of the Rockies and noteworthy environmental agencies coordinated through St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Boulder, CO; Stan Adamson, Pastor.

We held a continuing partnership with and provided financial support for the Eco-Stewards 2011 program in Montana with twelve young adults. PEC collaborated with the Environmental Ministries Office and supported their Earth Care Congregations program.

Regional Representatives began an enhanced communications program with PEC members as well as with Presbytery and Synod eco-justice leadership through a series of e-mailed letters.

The Steering Committee welcomed Abby Mohaupt as Editor of the *PEC Update*.

We continued an excellent and appreciated partnership with the Eco-Justice Program office of the National Council of Churches as a home base for our PEC coordinator, Shantha Ready Alonso.

We greatly enhanced our communication and outreach through social networking on Facebook, Twitter, and our PEC blog.

Members prepared an Advent and Lenten Study/Devotional Series that were distributed by e-mail and through our social networks.

Goals for 2012

Expand our PEC network and membership through social media, an enhanced role for Regional Representatives, and improved communication.

Determine PEC advocacy priorities, prepare in written form, and distribute to the PEC network.

Prepare and share devotional writings such as Advent and Lenten studies.

Enhance our creation care work with the PCUSA Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy, through "Unbound", a new e-journal.

Hold a successful Steering Committee annual retreat in October at Stony Point Center in New York.

Coordinate a visible and viable presence at General Assembly, Pittsburgh, with a booth, luncheon, and support of environment justice efforts

Continue planning for a successful 2013 PEC Conference at Ferncliff Conference Center, Little Rock, Arkansas, October 16-19, 2013.

Financial Information for 2011

Beginning Balance	1/1/2011	\$32,232
Revenue		
	Membership Dues	12,584
	Fundraising Campaigns	4,715
	Other Donations	3,682
	Investments	103
	Eco-Stewards	7,280
	Conference	34,170
	Resale Items	174
	TOTAL INCOME	\$62,708
Expense		
	Coordinator and Office Expenses	12,621
	Newsletter and Web Site	3,538
	Fundraising	574
	Membership	480
	Conference	30,581
	Eco-Stewards	5,422
	Items for Resale	533
	Insurance	1,116
	Credit Card Fees	1,178
	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$56,043
Net		6,665
Ending Balance	12/31/2011	\$38,897