



Caring for Creation: 2022

- Summary for delegates to the August 2022
ELCA Churchwide Assembly

The **1993** Social Statement called Lutherans to **URGENT** restoration work. Today (29 Years later) scientists say **EMERGENCY action** is needed! We ask the Churchwide Assembly to act as follows:

1. ELCA to commit to urging members and leaders to respond to the climate emergency by **personal action** and **advocacy for a Just Transition**.^{*} The following specific targets need to be met if humans are to avoid the worst of this emergency:
 - 50% reduced emissions by 2030
 - 100% clean power by 2035
 - Net zero emissions by 2050
2. ELCA to Prioritize funding in church-wide budget for **mobilizing** and **advocating** for outcomes given above.

^{*} **Just Transition** is defined as 40% of transition's investment going toward projects directly benefiting Indigenous, Black, People of Color, and communities impacted by poverty.

For updated information and next steps visit: www.LutheransRestoringCreation.org

