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Church of the Larger Fellowship	—	—	46 people have signed up to change behavior for the next 40 days!	4/17/2011	9:30 AM	All over the world. People started in whatever time zone they were in.
Unitarian Church of Calgary	Calgary	AB	Earth Service on Sunday, April 17, 2011 entitled "Walk Gently on the Earth" with appropriate choir selections. Also, on Friday, April 15, film "You Never Bike Alone" had underlying theme of saving carbon, sponsored by the church's Green Sanctuary Committee.	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	Unitarian Church of Calgary, 1703-1st Street, NW
Anchorage UU Fellowship	Anchorage	AK	On Sunday, April 17, we will have Eric Larson speaking about walking. This summer, he will complete a Masters degree at the creative writing program at University of Alaska, Anchorage. His thesis is a collection of personal essays about walking in Anchorage, where he has lived for twenty-three years without owning a car. We are including the 40/40 Challenge as part of our Earth Day worship service and will be passing around signup sheets. As last year, our committee will be following up with phone calls to see how individuals were able to complete their pledge or discuss impediments, results of which will be shared in the congregation. It's too early for us to plan a cleanup – that's a May activity in Alaska! However, last Sunday we held an Electronics Recycling event, which was successful.	4/17/2011	11:00 AM	Anchorage UU Fellowship, 3201 Turnagain Street
Auburn UU Fellowship	Auburn	AL	We are incorporating the Sacred Waters Project into our Flower Communion on Sunday April 24. We are participating in the 40/40 project and one of our artistic members has been designing an art piece to draw attention to then number participating and their actions. We also have a blog on our website for members to share their actions and reflections on what they are doing. We will use the Taize water ritual as part of our evening Good Friday observance and we have a small group that will participate in the NWEI Gulf Oil Spill discussion course in early May.	4/24/2011	11:00 AM	Auburn Unitarian UU 500 E. Thach St.



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UU Church of Southeastern Arizona	Sierra Vista	AZ	At two Farmers Market Earth Day celebrations (April 23 in Sierra Vista, AZ and April 30 in Bisbee, AZ) and at Sunday services on April 24 and May 1, we will sell reusable water bottles and urge people to commit to making one or more earth-friendly lifestyle changes for 40 days. We will give each participant a handout with a list of about 47 possible changes and ask them to sign a sheet indicating their commitment(s). On June 11 at the Sierra Vista public library and on June 18 at the Bisbee Community Y, we will have public wrap-up parties at which participants will be encouraged to tell what did and did not work. We also hope to involve other local congregations in this project.	4/23/2011 4/30/2011 4/24 & 5/1/2011 6/11/2011 6/18/2100	8:00 AM to 2:00 PM 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM 10:30 AM 3-5 PM 3-5 PM	April 23 , NW corner of Wilcox Dr and Carmichael Ave, Sierra Vista; April 30 , Ruppe Ave between E. & W. Vista, Bisbee; April 24 & May 1 , Bella Vista Elementary School, 801 N. Lenzner Ave, Sierra Vista; June 11 , Mona Bishop Room of the Sierra Vista public library, 2600 E. Tacoma Ave, Sierra Vista; June 18 , Bisbee Community Y, 26 Howell Ave., Bisbee
UU Congregation of NorthWest Tucson	Tucson	AZ	Vince Pawlowski will deliver a homily entitled "Arid Lands/Sacred Waters" to our congregation during a service centered on water in the desert. The service will include reflections on water as a special strand in the interdependent web of all existence in this arid land. In its 2011 Earth Day 40/40 campaign, UU Ministry for Earth is asking at least 40 members of our congregation to commit to small and large daily actions related to conservation of water over the course of 40 days, beginning with Sunday, April 17, and continuing through Thursday, May 26. How will you participate?	4/10/2011	10:30 AM	Unitarian Universalist Congregation of NorthWest Tucson 3601 W. Cromwell Dr. http://www.uucnwt.org



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UU Church of Davis	Davis	CA	<p>Earthfest 2011: Food & Fuun-for EVERYONE!</p> <p>After the morning church services, with the Reverend Lindi Ramsden, UU Legislative Minister of California, speaking on "Water Rites and Water Rights," and Lynne Nittler, Co-Chair of the Green Sanctuary Committee, being honored for her outstanding commitment to Environmental Justice, and dedication to the care and celebration of Earth, the congregation is invited at 12:30pm to walk to Hedge's Grove for the third annual Earthfest, an all-church picnic in Hedges Grove.</p> <p>The event will include earth songs by Andrew Corbett. A Veggie Cook-off, lunch, face-painting, a book exchange, and Nature's Theater's "How the Flowers Got their Colors," a play acted by UU teens with interactive parts for younger children present! All who attend the church services and the picnic will be invited to take the Sacred Water 40 Days, 40 Actions Challenge. Earthfest is co-sponsored by the UUCD's RE Program and the Green Sanctuary Committee.</p>	4/17/2011	12:30 p.m.	Hedges Grove, UU Church of Davis, 27074 Patwin Road



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UU Church of Fresno	Fresno	CA	<p>Our church's annual Fresno Earth Day Event featuring our LEED Gold campus and neighboring Fresno Co-Housing. Free and open to the public. Live Music, Practical Workshops, Demonstrations, Tours, Exhibits, Films, Kids' Activities, Green Car Show, Free E-Waste Recycling, Tasty Local Food. Completely Solar Powered! For the second year in a row we expanded into the community with a coalition of participants including: Food and Water Watch, San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, City of Fresno Water Conservation Program, California Native Plant Society, Green Hope Veterans, ALA in California, GRID Alternatives, Fresno Chaffee Zoo, Save the Foothills Coalition, Fresno Audubon Society, California Native Plant Society, Sierra Foothills Conservancy, Solar Cookers, Master Gardeners/UC Cooperative Extension, Tree Fresno, Sierra Club – Tehipite Chapter, Fresno Recycling Program, Fresno Chapter of Green Building Council, Fresno Coalition Against the Misuse of Pesticides, National Parks Conservation Association, Healthy Dairies Commission, Coalition for Clean Air, Community Food Bank, Heifer Int., CCROPP, Roots of Change, CSUF Organics Program, Critical Mass, Fresno Bike Coalition, Birchwood Conservancy, County of Fresno Recycling, Clovis Botanical Gardens, Fresno Wildlife Rehabilitation, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, Sun Mountain Solar Cookers, Sierra Cat Haven, Mokichi Okada Association, Fresno SPCA, Restore the Delta, ReStore (Habitat for Humanity), Fresno Bike Kitchen, S.I.L.O., CSUF Organic Farm, GRID Alternatives, Save the Foothills Coalition, LUCA - Latinos United for Clean Air, League of Women Voters, Fresno Earth Day Coalition, Fresno Betsuin Buddhist Temple, Fresno Co. Bicycle Coalition, Fresno Metro Ministry, GreenFresno.org, Interfaith Social Justice Collaborative, Fresno Cohousing, San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust, and Unitarian Universalist Church of Fresno. www.fresnoearthday.org</p>			UU Church of Fresno 2672 East Alluvial Ave, Clovis, CA



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UU Community of the Mountains	Grass Valley	CA	<p>We're calling it H2O/40/40 and we're holding it during our Earth Day service on April 17. Last year we had about 70 people, or 70% of our congregation, sign up for 40/40/40 actions. This year we came up with a list of suggestions for ways to conserve water and we plan to have people sign up to do at least one new thing for at least 40 days. A description of the project and the list of suggestions have been sent out to the congregation via our email list. That message will be repeated a few days before the service.</p> <p>Printed copies of the info will be available the day of the service and the action will be announced at the beginning and end of the service. We will have several people with clipboards ready to catch up with everyone possible after the service. We will follow up periodically to get reports on how people are doing. We will do a final report after the 40 days are up.</p>	4/17/2011	12:00 PM	UU Community of the Mountains, 246 S. Church St



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Starr King UU Church	Hayward	CA	<p>We had our Earth Fair early this year, on Sunday, April 10. We had booths on native plants, composting, irrigation, sustainable living, and beekeeping. There was a "Zero Waste Family" booth that showed how one family cut its waste down to almost zero, and how they did it. This booth had a lot of great displays, and included a drawing for free produce bags. We had a free information table that offered pamphlets on gardening, native plants, composting, worm bin coloring books, recycling in our area, and much more. There were signs ups for the 40/40 Sacred Waters pledge, a 4-week Low Carbon Diet Class, Composting, Organic egg info and *CSA, and a new environmental justice project with South Hayward Parish to share our local excess produce with the needy. We had an adult and child Freecycle table, a craft table for kids (and adults!) to make crafts with recycled materials, and a bunch of free plants and seeds. We even had some baby chicks on display! Everyone had lots of fun and learned a lot about how they can help the Earth.</p> <p>(*Community Supported Agriculture - where the customer buys into weekly shares of a farmer's yield and in return the farmer offers them fresh, local produce or eggs.)</p>	4/10/2011	10:30 AM	Starr King UU Church, Bayview Ave



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First Unitarian Church of Oakland	Oakland	CA	<p>1. Earth Promises: We are doing a 3 Sunday at our coffee hours associated with Earth Day starting last Sunday, 4/17/11, with a sermon "I am the garden and the gardener." Children planted California Poppies during the service. We are taking "Earth Promises" – commitments to the earth either a sustainable or spiritual daily practice. Our Earth Justice/Green sanctuary committee is having conversations with congregants about highest yield sustainability/climate change actions they can do. Folks are writing their "Earth promises" on paper poppy petals the then paste on a board with many "stems" to create a field of poppies. (Historically for the last to years it had been leaves on an Earth tree.) We are encouraging people to commit to at least 41 days and planning to get at least 41 people this year. We will remind/support people's commitments thru the period and at the end of this time, we will celebrate those who achieved the goal.</p> <p>2. A second Earth Day action this year is an Urban garden event this weekend involving our coming of age youth (jr. high level) and interested adults. We had to sign up in advance for this event so spots are no longer available.</p>	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	First Unitarian Church of Oakland 685 14th Street
UU Church of Riverside	Riverside	CA	<p>Earth Day 2011 event: We will be showing the movie "Gasland" for all interested parties at UUCR at 7:00 PM on April 22, 2011. Refreshments and discussion will follow.</p>	4/22/2011	7:00 PM	UU Church of Riverside, Parish Hall, 3657 Lemon St.



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First Universalist Church of Denver	Denver	CO	Environmental Justice Fair promoting Local Economy. Local groups such as Denver Community Credit Union, Mile High Business Alliance, FeedDenver, and Grant Family Farms (CSA) participated and educated our members on the benefits of promoting local business and economy. After our second service, we showed the film, "The Economics of Happiness" in our Community Forum to approximately 60 persons, with a spirited discussion afterward.	4/10/2011	10:00 AM	First Universalist Church of Denver 4101 E. Hampden Ave
			Both services on Sunday, April 17 were led by our youth in recognition of Earth Day. Children of the Earth sang, danced, and engaged the Congregation into environmental issues and solutions. Whoever affects the Earth and its future affects the Children. Whoever affects the Children affects the future of the Earth and all that lives upon it.	3/17/2011	9:15 AM	
			SAME – So All May Be Fed. In the spirit of promoting local business and local economy, the final SAME of this spring will feature Colorado grown and produced foods and those purchased from local businesses. After the SAME, the film "The Economics of Happiness" will be shown ad discussed.	No date given		



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UU Church of Greeley	Greeley	CO	<p>Sowing the Seeds of a Healthy Community. Sunday April 17. Individuals and families will be taking a 40-day challenge to start a new habit that will become custom in order to live more lightly upon the earth. We will specifically learn about the benefits of local agriculture and the potential deterioration of our water supply due to hydraulic fracturing. Are we leaving the Earth better than we found it? Are we leaving a better place for future generations? This service is a prelude to an April 30th event. See below.</p> <p>Sowing the Seeds of a Healthy Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday, April 30, at 4:00 p.m. View the film FRESH FRESH celebrates the farmers, thinkers, and business people across America who are re-inventing our food system. Each has witnessed the rapid transformation of our agriculture into an industrial model, and confronted the consequences: food contamination, environmental pollution, depletion of natural resources, and morbid obesity. Forging healthier, sustainable alternatives, they offer a practical vision for a future of our food and our planet. Clair Boyles of Boyles Family Farms will speak with us about the importance of family farms. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5:30 p.m., dinner of local fresh foods - Donations accepted but no set price, so that all may eat. • Saturday, April 30, at 7:00 p.m. View the film GASLAND When filmmaker Josh Fox is asked to lease his land for drilling, he embarks on a cross-country odyssey uncovering a trail of secrets, lies and contamination. A recently drilled well in nearby Weld County reports that residents are able to light their drinking water on fire. This is just one of the many absurd and astonishing revelations of a new country called GASLAND. 	4/17/2011	11:00 AM	UU Church of Greeley, 929 16th St.



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All Souls Church, Unitarian	Washington	DC	<p>The 7th Principle Committee (commonly called "Green Souls") will be hosting the Earth Day Sunday Service on April 17th 2011. We will be incorporating "Green Transport Day" into the event, asking everyone to strive to come to church by a means other than a single occupancy vehicle (walk, take Metro, carpool, bicycle, skateboard (!), etc.) and taking a count of all those who did this. The final count will be tallied and we will calculate the carbon saved from the Green commuters and announce that in a future service.</p> <p>We will also be performing a "skit" or play in the service which will focus on the polluted waters in the Washington, DC area and how this exacerbates the environmental justice issue of water quality.</p> <p>After the late service, we will be providing a "Zero Trash Lunch" in which volunteers will serve nutritious vegan food on real plates and flatware and have re-usable cloth napkins and water glasses to reduce solid waste. A "Green" vegan dessert such as a cake will also be served.</p> <p>There will be informational tables after both services with local watershed groups like the Anacostia Watershed Society as to their efforts to clean up the local waterways.</p> <p>We will also be giving out free water bottles to persons who sign up for the 40/40 for Earth Challenge and commit to using less water and help clean up the water in their community. A speaker from UUMFE or one of these groups will give a short talk on "Sacred Waters" after the early service, and we will have a panel discussion on this topic after the late service. Our goal is to get 200 persons to sign up for the 40/40 Challenge and thru feedback surveys confirm they did something to conserve/clean water and document it and announce it at a later service.</p>	4/17/2011	9:30 AM	All Souls Church, Unitarian, 1500 Harvard Street NW
UUs of Southern Delaware	Lewes	DE	Beach Cleanup at our Adopt a Beach site at Cape Henlopen State Park, Lewes, DE	4/23/2011	9:00 AM	Herring Point, Cape Henlopen State Park



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First Unitarian of Wilmington	Wilmington	DE	<p>First U of Wilmington Earth Day Celebration, Sunday, April 17 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>Join us after church at the DuPont Environmental Education Center in the Russell W. Peterson Wildlife Refuge for a picnic and marsh cleanup. Bring your picnic lunch and meet us at the big tree in the middle of the parking lot at 12:30 p.m. After lunch, we'll start the marsh clean up at 1:00 p.m. Bring yard gloves. Wear comfortable shoes and your UU t-shirt or clothes you don't mind getting muddy.</p> <p>Today is the last day to find out if you have the 'Right Stuff'! Join with your fellow 1st Us and UU congregations across the country to show how much we all value the Sacred Waters of this Earth Register for the 40-40 Challenge! Children and adults stop by the Green Sanctuary table and sign up. We have 40 suggested actions for you to choose or design one of your own. 49 members have signed up!</p> <p>"It's Good to be Green" – First U promotes environmental justice. Stop by the Book Corner, the Fair-Trade Coffee, Tea, and Chocolate booth, Green Sanctuary, Climate Change, Study and Action (C3SA), and Adult Religious Education to learn more.</p>	4/17/2011	12:30 PM	
Manatee UU Fellowship	Bradenton	FL	<p>April 17, 2011, 11:30 am after the regular Sunday service. R.E. directed the Tabriz Water Ceremony outside next to our Peace Pole. At least 40 of our congregation participated and took the 40/40/40 pledge. We will call for a review and report on May 29.</p>	4/17/2011	11:30 PM	Manatee UU Fellowship, 322 15th Street West



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UU Congregation of Greater Naples	Naples	FL	The UU Congregation of Greater Naples celebrated Earth Day 2011 at a Service on April 10. Brock Leach, vice president of the UU Service Committee, delivered a sermon entitled "Like an Ever-Flowing Stream" about the human right to water to a full house. The children presented a story which highlighted sustainable agriculture and responsible care of land and water, highlighting UUSC's Hope in Crops project, and the congregation participated in a "Witness to Wholeness" event in which members were given the opportunity to commit themselves to take action for water justice or make a change in their own use of water. Over 50 people signed pledges and turned them in at the end of the service. This is UUCGN's second Earth Day celebration and the second year that it has participated in the 40/40 challenge.	4/10/2011	10:30 AM	UU Congregation of Greater Naples, 6340 Napa Woods Way
Spirit of Life UU	Odessa	FL	Spirit of Life UU will be celebrating "Our Sacred Waters" on Sunday, April 24, in recognition of Earth Day and as part of our Seventh Principle celebration. We'll be planting native and Florida friendly plants donated by congregation members and dedicating our beautiful new red maple tree. Instead of hunting for Easter eggs, this Sunday morning, our youth will be participating in our 3rd annual Canned Goods hunt, to remind our children where our food really comes from, as well as to engage them in a different way in our on-going support of Metropolitan Ministries "Stop Hometown Hunger" effort.	4/24/2011	10:00 AM	Spirit of Life UU 18412 Burrell Road



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First Unitarian Church of Orlando	Orlando	FL	<p>We already had our water service on March 27, 2011, titled "Water, Water Everywhere." It is posted online at http://orlandouu.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=196&Itemid=292</p> <p>On April 17 we are having our "Simply Earth Day" service themed around voluntary simplicity. Our share-the-plate is Simple Living Institute. http://www.simplelivinginstitute.org/</p> <p>We also have a special offering to renew congregational membership to UUMFE on April 17.</p> <p>Starting April 24, to support those taking the 40/40 Challenge with water, we will be running the UUSC "Right to Water" module paired with water films in our Green Adult Religious Education track.</p> <p>April hosts a lot of other green activities – it's our busiest month of the year! :) http://orlandouu.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1841&Itemid=192</p>	4/17/2011	10:45 AM	First Unitarian Church of Orlando, 1901 E. Robinson St
NWUUC of Atlanta	Atlanta	GA	<p>Special Earth Day Service and celebration, featuring an outside speaker, Sally Bethea, the leader of the Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper, one of the state's leading citizen environmental advocacy organizations, will present a program during the 2nd hour on the above topic, as part of the EM's Earth Day service on April 17. The program will include the slide presentation "Tapped Out", produced by UCR, which focuses on the critical water supply and demand situation that Atlanta finds itself in.</p>	4/17/2011	10:00 AM	Northwest UU Congregation of Atlanta 1025 Mount Vernon Hwy



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UU Metro Atlanta North (UUMAN)	Roswell	GA	Our Social Justice committee along with our Sustainability committee will together promote 40-40. This will begin on Earth Sunday with a sermon on the 'human right to water' by our minister. We also will present the movie <i>Blue Gold</i> for our Fourth Friday movie, which happens to fall on April 22nd! Our town, Roswell, has a Water week planned in April, which we will promote. We will dedicate our Sustainability committee "tip of the month" to water rights and conservation ideas. And we will encourage everyone to sign up to participate in 40-40 by choosing their own action and documenting it. Our program council members have endorsed this and are promoting it in their committees and have agreed to participate themselves.	4/22/2011	7:00 PM	UUMAN, 11420 Crabapple Rd
UU Fellowship of Dubuque	Dubuque	IA	Raki Giannokouros of GreenDubuque.org will lead a service on greenhouse gases in Dubuque. An opportunity to calculate your carbon footprint will be available after the service.	4/17/2011	10:00 AM	UU Fellowship of Dubuque, 1699 Iowa St.
UU Church of Elgin	Elgin	IL	Presentation table for sign-up on April 9 & 16. Related slide show presentations at the beginning of each service throughout the months of April and May. Service on water issues DTBD. Raffle for participants at the end of the 40 days for reusable water bottles and native prairie plants.			UU Church of Elgin, 39W830 Highland Ave
Unitarian Church of Evanston	Evanston	IL	Multi-generational Earth Day Celebration – Friday, April 22, from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. We will have an organic potluck, Dances of Universal Peace honoring Mother Earth, art from recycled materials to make and buy, learning how to make and crochet with "plarn" - plastic bag yarn, and demonstrations of many of our green initiatives including a rain garden, high efficiency furnace, and composting program. This is a fundraiser for a local Edible Garden at the Evanston Township High School to purchase hoop rows to extend the growing season of their farming project.	4/22/2011	6:30 PM	Unitarian Church of Evanston, 1330 Ridge Ave.



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UU Hinsdale	Hinsdale	IL	<p>(1) Earth Fair Sunday April 10</p> <p>Do the radio waves emitted by cell phones affect your brain? Did you know that when you eat meat you significantly contribute to green house gas emission? Or maybe you'd like to learn how to reduce your heating costs by 90%. Come to the Earth Fair.</p> <p>Immediately following the April 10 service the Green Sanctuary Committee and Animal Ministry will host an Earth Fair in the Alice Warren room. We ask you to taste the specially prepared delectable foods and visit the several tables showcasing food/ health/ planet, microgreens, water conservation, rain barrels, restoration ecology, passive house, cell phone safety, styrofoam recycling, paper recycling, flag of earth, and animal ministry. You will gain information on critical issues, research to consider and immediate action you can take to make a difference.</p> <p>For more information on Earth Day April 22, 2011 go to http://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2011.</p>	4/10/2011	11:30 AM	Unitarian Church of Hinsdale, 17 W Maple St.
UU Hinsdale	Hinsdale	IL	<p>(2) Service Sunday April 17, Water</p> <p>Water is beautiful. Water is refreshing. Water is essential for life. Come celebrate the significance of water in your life at the Green Sanctuary led service. We invite you to share a digital photo and a few words (100 words or less) demonstrating the significance of water in your life. This could be your favorite beach, fishing trip, kids running through the sprinkler or some other way of expressing the significance of water in your life.</p> <p>Send your photo and words to frankwanderlich@yahoo.com by April 8, 2011. Submissions may be edited, read and shown during the service. For more information on water go to http://www.worldwaterday.org/.</p>	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	Unitarian Church of Hinsdale, 17 W Maple St.



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UU Hinsdale	Hinsdale	IL	<p>(3) Our Grandchildren’s Water</p> <p>Seven- week series presents information you may not be aware of and discusses their ethical implications. By the end of the series, participants will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Articulate a personal and collective understanding of the role of water in our lives and in our social world; • Be more mindful of better practices that conserve and protect water; • Show leadership in community dialogs around appropriate usages of water; • Tease out social justice issues around water (who owns it, how to share it equitably, etc.) <p>Date & Time: seven sessions held each Thursday, 7:30 – 8:45 p.m., starting April 7 through May 19.</p>	4/7-5/19, 2011	7:30 PM	Unitarian Church of Hinsdale, 17 W Maple St.
UU Community of Frankfort	Frankfort	KY				



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Unitarian Church of Barnstable	Barnstable	MA	<p>“Water Justice: Our Well Being, Our Rights, Our Responsibilities” is a regional conference for people who want to know what the global water crisis is all about and what they can do to help.</p> <p>Water justice embodies the notion that everyone – including all living creatures – should have access to clean, safe water. At this conference, nationally recognized speakers will discuss current threats to the regional and global water supply and provide practical tools for residents of southeastern Massachusetts to improve our quality of life, both at home and in our communities.</p> <p>The event will be on Saturday, April 16th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Registration details are available online at http://www.bcduua.org/. The \$15 registration fee includes lunch and refreshments. Youth activities and childcare will be available if requested by April 2nd.</p> <p>The Cape & Islands Unitarian Universalist Social Justice Cluster, the Cape & Islands Unitarian Universalist Growth Council, the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, the Cape Cod and the Islands Group Sierra Club, and GreenCAPE are sponsoring the conference.</p>	4/16/2011	9:00 AM	Unitarian Church of Barnstable, 3330 Main Street (Route 6a and Phinney's Lane)
			<p>We held our Earth Day service early, on April 10, due in part to the lateness of Easter this year. We developed a list of 16 tips to protect and to conserve water, making many of them specific to issues we have on Cape Cod. We included the list in the Order of Service so people could take them with them after the service. Our speaker was the President of the Buzzards Bay Coalition, which is organized to educate and advocate for that body of water, but he was able to extrapolate to all of Cape Cod, since the issues are the same in all the bays. The speaker, Mark Rasmussen, is a UU from another congregation, so he was able to make the connection to our green Sanctuary activities. Our music and readings were earth centered, and the committee ushered, led the service, participated, and served coffee.</p>	4/10/2011	10:30 AM	At the church



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UU Meeting of South Berkshire	Great Barrington	MA	We will be participating in the 40/40 program (but beginning on the 24th). Our members will be each choosing a 40 day practice (or many) and reporting back on the experience on Children's Sunday, June 5th.	4/24/2011	10:30 AM	Claire W. Teague Senior Center 917 South Main Street
UU Fellowship of Falmouth	Falmouth	MA	<p>APRIL 16-20: Volunteers from our church will be at Brown University, Clark University, Harvard University, and other schools in Rhode Island and Massachusetts, to organize and support the "Women, Health, and the Environment" program.</p> <p>APRIL 22: Multifaith religious service at our meetinghouse in recognition of Earth Day and Good Friday. Much of our attention will focus on the nuclear power crisis in Japan. Buddhist and Christian traditions will be combined in our religious gathering.</p> <p>APRIL 23: Work day at organic community garden in our town.</p>	4/16/2011	7:00 PM	Call church office in Falmouth, MA, for information about the various environmental events that involve our congregation. Telephone: (508) 457-0449.



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Unitarian Church of Marlborough & Hudson	Hudson	MA	<p>PERFORMANCE OF "THE CLIMATE MONOLOGUES"</p> <p>The Unitarian Church of Marlborough and Hudson is pleased to announce that Singer-Songwriter-Actor-Environmental Educator Sharon Abreu will present her new show, "The Climate Monologues," on Saturday, April 16, at 7:00 p.m. This one-hour show of stories and original songs will be followed by a discussion with all who wish to stay. The monologues come from interviews Sharon did with people across the U.S. and beyond affected by climate change and working to solve the climate crisis.</p> <p>"The Climate Monologues" is about: People, Passion, Ideas – Vision and Values – Facing our fears and rising above them – Inspiration, courage, and keeping our humanity and sense of humor in the face of critical challenges.</p> <p>The characters range from a small family farmer in West Virginia, to a Jesuit priest in India, to a former rodeo cowgirl who makes a compelling business case for climate protection. The show highlights solutions and how people from diverse communities are brought together by a common concern.</p> <p>A donation of \$10 is requested for the performance. All proceeds will be donated to Green Marlborough, a local organization working to protect the environment since 2007. The show is a program of the church's Spiritual Growth Center, growing spirits ... changing the world. It will take place at the church, located at 80 Main St. in Hudson, across from Town Hall. For more information about this or other programs, visit the church website: www.umch.org.</p>	4/16/2011	7:00 PM	Unitarian Church of Marlborough & Hudson, 80 Main St



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Unitarian Church of Marlborough & Hudson	Hudson	MA	<p>Earth Day First Nations Family Service</p> <p>Join us for a worship service with inspirational storytelling, music and dance shared by White Mountain Apache Loril Moondream, Blackfoot Peter White Fox, Cherokee Rik Rolski, Penobscott Barbara Giammarino, and other friends of Medicine Mammals Wildlife Rehabilitation Center. Indigenous peoples around the world have long taught the importance of living in balance and in harmony with the Earth. As we face the climate crisis today, these ancient practices and beliefs can help us create a new relationship with the Earth.</p>	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	Unitarian Church of Marlborough & Hudson, 80 Main St
First Parish in Lexington	Lexington	MA	<p>40/40 Earth Challenge: April 24 - June 5th. Our Social Action Committee is sponsoring the Sacred Waters Earth Day 40/40 Challenge. As part of this program, we have had two events leading up to the kick-off of the challenge: On April 10th, our minister delivered his "Got Water?" sermon in which he also previewed the 40/40 Challenge. On April 22nd, we held an Earth Day Tenebrae service of readings and chants exploring themes of loss and destruction in our natural environment.</p> <p>We will kick-off the 40/40 Challenge with the signing of pledges following our service on April 24th; on May 2, we will host a screening of "FLOW" and our minister will lead a discussion afterwards. We will have tables with a variety of information & activities during Social Hour on two Sundays in May. Our covenant groups are being asked to dedicate a session in May to the topic of water, using the covenant group materials created by the UUSC. There are plans underway to mount an "exhibit" of photos and other artworks depicting or inspired by water in our Social Hall. Finally, we plan to have a wrap-up and sharing gathering on June 5th. We hope to have 40 or more pledging participants and are looking forward to seeing what "bubbles up" during the 40 (42) days.</p>	4/24/2011	10:30 AM	First Parish in Lexington, 7 Harrington Road



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UU Society of Rockport	Rockport	MA	Unitarian Universalist Society of Rockport, MA, will hold a water justice service in honor of Earth Day "Sacred Waters" theme, focusing on the human right to water, and using the UUSC Taize water justice ritual. See http://www.uusc.org/content/water_justice_taize_ritual for the resource.	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	UU Society of Rockport 4 Cleaves Street (978) 546-2989 http://www.uusr.org/
First Parish of Sudbury Unitarian Universalist	Sudbury	MA	<p>First Parish will publicize it's 2011 Water Conservation Project on April 17 and will ask members, friends, and families to change their lifestyles and take other actions to conserve water. The event on April 17 will offer tips on how to conserve water, information on how cost effective water saving devices are, and pledge sheets detailing the following ways that members and families can participate in and support the Water Conservation Project.</p> <p>1) Commit to consuming 10% less water in 2011 than your average use over the past two years (2009-2010) and be recognized as a "Water Conserver."</p> <p>2) If you have already installed low flow shower heads and other water saving devices, are careful about not over-watering your lawns and gardens, and as a result consume less than 55 gallons per day per person in your household during 2011, you will receive special recognition as a "Super Saver."</p> <p>3) If you would like to share your favorite conservation tips with members of the congregation, you can sign up as a "Conservation Mentor."</p> <p>4) If you are willing to post a "Conserve" sign in your yard, you can sign up as a "Conservation Advocate" and we will provide you with a small lawn sign.</p> <p>5) If you reside in a condo, apartment, or for other reasons cannot meter your own water use, you can still sign up as a "Conserver" by pledging to take "Actions to Conserve Water."</p>	4/17/2011	11:30 AM	First Parish of Sudbury, 327 Concord Road



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First Parish of Watertown Unitarian Universalist	Watertown	MA	Multigenerational worship service on Sunday April 17, including story, children's choir, carrot and grape communion. Other activities - on Saturday the Green Sanctuary committee is co-sponsoring a bicycle collection for Bikes Not Bombs, and we are finishing a postcard campaign to support the new Bottle Bill. Some members will also participate in the Charles River Cleanup	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	35 Church St
Davies Memorial UU Church	Camp Springs	MD	Sermon Title: What's in your bag: Preparing for Life on a New Planet The Red Cross, FEMA, and local agencies recommend preparing a go-kit or grab-n-go-bag – a backpack containing items that will help you survive the 72 hours of chaos after a disaster. But how do we prepare for the long disaster of climate change and its continuous aftermath? What tools should we put in our spiritual go-bag to help us survive on a new planet?	4/17/2011		Davies Memorial UU Church 7400 Temple Hill Rd.
UU Fellowship of Southern Maryland	Lexington Park	MD	Palm-to-Palm Sunday Intergenerational Service: Recognizing In Each of Us Leadership as we stand for the quality and sacredness of water.	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	Chesapeake Charter School, 20945 Great Mills Road
UU Church of Rockville	Rockville	MD	On Sunday 4/17 and 4/24 we will sign up participants in 40/40. On April 3 we had our Earth Day service. Mike Tidwell of the Chesapeake Climate Action Network spoke compellingly about the climate crisis and our need to work together to solve it.			
Allen Avenue UU Church	Portland	ME	New Moon for Gaia: Gaia is one of the names we give to Mother Earth. Earth Day officially happens on April 22. But let's expand it into 30 days, from the new moon on April 3 to the new moon on May 3. Alice Walker has said, "Anything we love can be saved." We will reflect on how we love the earth and on actions we might take to make a difference during this 30 days and beyond. Can you commit to making a small change in your life? At our worship services today, congregation members will be asked to join in a pledge to take one new action for the earth to do during the next 30 days. We are also, today, bringing food donations for the food pantry, in cloth bags. The children will have a multi-age session on caring for the earth.	4/3/2011	9:00 AM	Allen Avenue UU Church, 524 Allen Avenue



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First Universalist Church Rockland	Rockland	ME	On April 22nd we will be hosting a Bread and Soup Supper followed by a showing of the film <i>Tapped</i> and discussion of it. It is a particularly appropriate film for our community as bottled water plants in Maine are threatening our environment. In addition, there are many proposed rollbacks of environmental bills (including the recycling of water bottles) by our new governor who wants our state to be more "business friendly." The event will be open to the public as well as parishioners. There will be separate activities offered for children that will focus on the importance of clean water and the fact that it is a precious resource that should not be wasted.	4/22/2011	5:45 PM	First Universalist Church Rockland, 345 Broadway
First UU Church in Detroit	Detroit	MI	95th Anniversary of the Sanctuary Celebration and Sacred Waters 40/40 Challenge for Earth kick-off.	4/17/2011	11:00 AM	First UU Church of Detroit 4605 Cass Avenue
First Universalist Church Minneapolis	Minneapolis	MN	First Universalist Earth Day 2011 is focused on transportation- bus, bike, hoof'n carpool. Individuals who take the transportation pledge and agree to try a transportation alternative will be entered into a drawing for prizes. There will be displays and information about a bike share program (Nice Ride), a car sharing program (Hour Car), bus information, bus/ bike information, and walking information. Speakers from Transit for a Livable Community will update us on what is happening with different types of transportation in Minneapolis/St. Paul and Minnesota. Stories of individual First Universalists who have tried alternative transportation choices will be on display.	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	First Universalist Church, 3400 Dupont Avenue South



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Minnesota Valley UU Fellowship	Minneapolis	MN	"Earth Day Is Every Day" – a project in three parts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace EXIT signs throughout the fellowship building with low power LED signs. Goal: Lower our use of electricity and make the congregation aware of possible energy savings through the use of new lighting technology. • Educate fellowship members on how to save energy. Goal: Help congregational members specifically learn how to save energy, save money and reduce greenhouse gases. • Compost food waste and grounds. Goal: Reduce the amount of kitchen waste produced at the fellowship building and in member's homes by composting. Use the compost obtained to improve the physical condition of garden soil and to add nutrients needed for plant growth. 			10715 Zenith Ave South
First Unitarian Church St. Louis	St. Louis	MO	We have over 40 members signed up for activities on the 40-40 pledge.	4/10/2011	9:00 AM	First Unitarian Church St. Louis, 5007 Waterman Blvd
Gulf Coast UU Fellowship	Gulfport	MS	Interfaith Mississippi Gulf Coast Seder to Mourn the loss of human and animal life wrought by the Oil Rig Disaster and to celebrate all those who have worked to restore our coastal waters and community life.	4/22/2011	6:00 PM	Gulf Coast UU Fellowship, 2514 19th Avenue
UU Fellowship of Hendersonville	Hendersonville	NC	Our Social Justice Outreach Team is showing the new documentary, "Code Blue: Water in the Mountains." The filmmaker is David Weintraub. This is the third documentary for David who also happens to be the Director of our very active ECO - or Environmental Conservation Organization, with many wonderful volunteers passionate about a healthy environment. It will be shown at our Kaplan Auditorium in the Henderson Co. Public Library since it seats more than our Fellowship Hall. We are hoping for a big turnout from the public as well as our own Fellowship. Discussion, led by David will follow the film, which not only shows the beauty and the problems with our waterways, but also hopeful solutions to deal with the issues.	4/19/2011	7:00 PM	Kaplan Auditorium in the Henderson County Public Library, 301 N. Washington St.



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UU Fellowship of Raleigh	Raleigh	NC	We're kicking off the 40/40 campaign on May 1. There will be a special Earth Celebration Service that morning before our regular service, so we will use that time in-between services to promote the Sacred Waters initiative and take 40/40 pledges.	5/1/2011	9:30 AM	Memorial Garden, UUFR
First Unitarian Church of Omaha	Omaha	NE	<p>Reduce, Reuse & Recycle Scavenger Hunt</p> <p>The Green Sanctuary Team of First Unitarian Church of Omaha invites everyone to join them in a nationwide spring housecleaning! The Reduce, Reuse & Recycle Scavenger Hunt will last from now until Earth Day Omaha, Saturday, April 23, and beyond. Groups set their own rules & target date for completion, make up a list of items for each individual or family to hunt for in their own homes, and award one or more prizes (optional)—preferably not more stuff but a green outing, for instance. For inspiration, watch Annie Leonard's short video, The Story of Stuff at www.storyofstuff.org. Donate stuff from your scavenger hunt to groups in your community that need them, or have a garage or rummage sale to raise money for your favorite organization or charity. Earth911 has a database of places that recycle just about everything than can be recycled or reused: www.earth911.com</p> <p>At our Earth Day Omaha event in Elmwood Park on Saturday, April 23, all ages will be invited to plant native tree seeds in support of Trees for Life, a nonprofit organization that enables people in developing countries to plant fruit trees to earn money and benefit their communities.</p>	4/23/2011	11:00 AM	Elmwood Park 65th and Dodge
Second Unitarian Church of Omaha	Omaha	NE	Second Unitarian Church of Omaha, Nebraska has an exhibit booth at Omaha's Earth Day celebration. We will give away packets of organic green bean seeds and talk about plans for our community garden area on church grounds.	4/23/2011	11:00 AM	Elmwood Park 60th and Dodge Street
UU Church of Manchester	Manchester	NH	Sunday Service: Showing a film on water use, giving a talk about conserving water, and asking congregation to pledge for 40 days. Presented by the Social Responsibility Committee.	4/17/2011	10:00 AM	Manchester UU, 669 Union street



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UU Congregation in Milford	Milford	NH	Worship Service- earth day/palm sunday/environmental justice sunday. 10:30am Sunday, April 17.	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	UU Congregation in Milford, 20 Elm St
Morristown Unitarian Fellowship	Morristown	NJ	We are still signing up members of the congregation to join the 40/40 Sacred Waters Challenge. So far, we have 45 members and friends signed up. On Sunday we will continue to get people's commitments to take one or more actions for 40 days. At the end of the 40 days, we plan to hold a celebration party, where we will share the stories of our various actions and what we learned from this challenge and will continue in our lives. Earth Day Party: Celebrating Our Precious Earth. There's Only One!! Saturday April 16 from 3 to 5 p.m. A Multigenerational Event for the entire Fellowship Family From 3 to 4 p.m. - Eco crafts and eco games for all ages. Make an eggstrordinary planter and help build a humongous recycle monster. Try your hand at the Dirt Quiz. Nibble a variety of good snacks. 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. - Enjoy the songs and stories of singer/songwriter Ken Galipeau. Join in the Planet Rap and spin with "The Little Blue Top" {that's the Earth}. Entertainment for all ages.	4/16/2011	3:00 PM	Morristown Unitarian Fellowship, 21 Normandy Heights Road
Unitarian Society of Ridgewood	Ridgewood	NJ	We are having an Earth Service on Sunday and are challenging the congregation with the action of giving up the purchase of plastic water bottles for 40 days. The service is water themed including a whale song meditation. During coffee hour we will have a challenge sign-up and a water display along with water handouts (conservation tips, water as a human right info, and the Story of Bottled Water). We have UUSC water bottles on hand for purchase. We plan to show the trailer for "Tapped." Challenge participants will receive a 20-day support email. On May 14 we will be bringing this challenge to the Ridgewood, NJ greater community by tabling at their Earth Day event.	4/17/2011	9:00 AM	Unitarian Society of Ridgewood, 113 Cottage Place



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UU Congregation of Somerset Hills	Somerset Hills	NJ	Sunday Service: Sacred Waters As Unitarian Universalists, we are called to respect the interdependent web of all existence, and water is a common thread. UUCSH is joining with Unitarian Universalists everywhere this Earth Month to raise awareness about some important water preservation and water justice issues. Come to learn more about the sacred waters that sustain us all and to commit to 40 days of actions that will make our world more just. Guest Speaker: Pat Rector, Environmental and Resource Management Agent from Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Morris County	4/10/2011	10:00 AM	UU Congregation of Somerset Hills, 123 East Cliff Street
Unitarian Church of Barneveld	Barneveld	NY	Celebrate Earth Day Thursday April 21st with us! Mike Stockhauser will be presenting electric utility vehicles in the Town of Trenton meeting hall at 6:30 pm. Sponsored by the Unitarian Church of Barneveld. FREE	4/21/2011	5:30 PM	Trenton Town Municipal Center, 8520 Old Poland Rd
UU Congregation of the South Fork	Bridgehampton	NY	We have collected 46 signature pledges to save water for 40 days, and we are planning a Sunday service with Kevin MacAllister, the Peconic Baykeeper, as our speaker. In the works are an Earth Day Hike and a Meatless Picnic.			Unitarian Universalist Meetinghouse, 977 Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Turnpike
UU Church of Canandaigua	Canandaigua	NY	Happy Earth Day Party	4/17/2011	10:00 AM	UU Church of Canandaigua, 3024 Cooley Rd.
UU Congregation at Shelter Rock	Manhasset	NY	On Sunday, April 17, we sold eco-friendly products: LCD camper lights, Mylar wrap, and plug-in saver switches that turn off appliances. We also displayed other "green" devices: LCD lamps, flashlights. We also had a sign up sheet for pledges to join an environmental organization before June 30. We will also do this once again on Sunday, April 24.	4/17/2011	12:15 PM	The UU Congregation at Shelter Rock, 48 Shelter Rock Rd.
UU Fellowship of Northern Westchester	Mount Kisco	NY	UUFNW is participating in the 40-40 water campaign this year.			



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UU Fellowship of Plattsburgh	Plattsburgh	NY	<p>Earth Week Film Series:</p> <p>Sunday 4/17 at 6:15 PM – <i>Gasland</i> (107 minutes). Will the boom in natural gas drilling contaminate America's water supply? A process called "fracking" helps drillers get more gas from wells, but it raises concerns about health and environmental risks.</p> <p>Monday 4/18 at 7:00 PM – <i>Renewal: Stories from America's Religious-Environmental Movement</i> (90 minutes) presents the growing religious-environmental movement, with eight inspiring stories of Americans of different faiths motivated by their spiritual and religious convictions to become better stewards of the environment, confronting mountaintop removal in Appalachia, global warming and other "green" issues through a variety of ecological initiatives.</p> <p>Tuesday 4/19 at 7:00 PM – <i>Dirty Business: "Clean Coal" and the Battle for Our Energy Future</i> (89 minutes) investigates the true cost of our dependence on coal for electricity in the age of climate change. Politicians and corporate interests have been promoting "clean coal" as a solution to our energy/climate problem. Despite major concerns on the part of scientists and environmental groups, there has been little public education about this issue.</p> <p>Wednesday, 4/20 at 7:00 PM – <i>Covenant</i> (10:40 minutes) and <i>Fighting Goliath: The Texas Coal Wars</i> (34 minutes) follow the story of Texans fighting a high-stakes battle for clean air. Mayors, ranchers, CEOs, community groups, legislators, lawyers, faith groups, and citizens come together to oppose the construction of 19 conventional coal-fired power plants that were slated to be built in Eastern and Central Texas and that were being fast-tracked by the Governor. Their very public objections swayed public opinion and convinced the builders to reduce the amount of new plants they would build from 11 to 3.</p>	See left	See left	The Unitarian Universalist Church, 4 Palmer Street



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UU Congregation at Rock Tavern	Rock Tavern	NY	We held our Earth Day Sacred Waters Intergenerational Worship Service on April 10. Our service included music from our children's choir, a meditation in the voices of two children on water from different parts of the world, a Taize water ritual, and a congregational pledge to adopt actions to be stewards of the earth. We are focusing our efforts as a congregation this month on our landscape at our new building by holding work parties for all ages to get involved. We have just installed a compost barrel, and on Saturday, April 17, we will be completing our rainwater collection system, planting native wildflowers, and preparing the soil for our children's butterfly garden.	4/10/2011	10:45 AM	UU Congregation at Rock Tavern, 9 Vance Road
UU Church of Kent	Kent	OH	Two church services: "Precious Water," 9:30 & 11:15 a.m., Rev. Melissa Carville-Ziemer. During the second service, our Religious Education Director, Ms. Karen Lapidus, will conduct a Middle School class exercise on Fiji Island bottled water. Lunch meeting with presentation (tentative) by Mr. Chris Carmen and Kent High School Students, who will discuss their work on stream/river health in Portage County, Ohio. Workshops: 1:15-2 – Water use and disposal in our homes and in our church (Ms. Karen Lapidus, Director of Religious Education), Repeated 2:15-3; 1:15-2 – Backyard Stewardship; 2:15-3 – Demonstration of water sampling from Cuyahoga River, Both presented by Mr. Mark Bergman, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency; 1:15 – 2; 2:15-3 - Constructing Rain Barrels, presented by Ms. Ellen Carville. All congregants are being urged to bring reusable water bottles to church and the workshops.	4/17/2011	9:30 & 11:15 AM	UU Church of Kent, 228 Gougler Ave
East Shore UU Church	Kirtland	OH	Earth Day Worship Service April 17, 2011, with a water justice theme. We will be introducing the 40/40 Challenge to the congregation at this time. Sponsored and planned by Green Sanctuary Committee.	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	East Shore UU Church 10848 Chillicothe Rd



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First Unitarian Church of Cleveland	Shaker Heights	OH	On May 1, the service will be a May Day Service for the Earth-based on writings by David Orr, environmental studies author and professor at Oberlin College. The readings will be interspersed with hymns and choral pieces. After church will be the annual Freecycle event. Congregants have been asked to sign up for the 40/40 for Earth Challenge. As of the beginning of April we've hit 57 people--almost to the 40% of Sunday service attendance that is our stretch goal.	5/1/2011	11:00 AM	First Unitarian Church 21600 Shaker Blvd.
First Unitarian Church of Oklahoma City	Oklahoma City	OK	Earth Day Service and Activities sponsored by the Sustainable Living Organization. Includes 10 am forum presentation by OG&E about their efforts to create more efficient and sustainable electricity use. 11 am Service where 40/40 pledge will be introduced and pledge cards distributed as part of our "Billion Acts of Green" themed service. After service, sustainable activities for children and information tables for adults with a picnic on the church lawn.	4/17/2011	10:00 AM	First Unitarian Church of Oklahoma City, 600 NW 13th Street
First Unitarian Church of Hamilton	Hamilton	ON	EARTH DAY SUNDAY: SACRED WATERS Service Team: Your 2010 Canadian Unitarian Universalist Leadership School Graduates - Kate Hicks, Nancy McMartin, Ginny Megin, Lyla Miklos, Jennifer Purdie, Mel Rutherford, Anne Wilson, and Kelly Wolf Service Description: Your 2010 CUUL school grads will demonstrate their learning and leadership qualities by presenting an innovative spiritual service based on our appreciation of our wonderful planet Earth. The service will involve natural elements of water and rocks and include music, meditation, reflection, and participation.	4/17/2011	10:30 AM	The First Unitarian Church of Hamilton 170 Dundurn Street South
UU Community Church of Washington County	Hillsboro	OR	We are holding our Earth Day Worship this Sunday, April 17. We will be challenging our members in the 40/40 campaign. We will have a table set up with materials, the calendars, stickers and lots of water-saving tips and 'visuals' for our members to look at and hopefully motivate to take the challenge.	4/17/2011	10:00 AM	UU Community Church, 22785 NW Birch Street



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UU Church of the Restoration	Philadelphia	PA	<p>This year Earth Day Sunday fell on a Sunday set aside for a Social Justice sermon, which was delivered by a favorite guest minister, singer and chanter for the Earth, peace and justice. This pastor of a local Interfaith church wove her own African heritage together with the world’s perils and hope.</p> <p>On Earth Day Sunday, we launched the 40/40 for Earth Campaign – renamed 40-40-40, to reflect 40 people, 40 days, and 40 choices of actions. Sandy enclosed a sheet (back and front) containing the 40 suggestions in the order of service, some of them – like legislative action to regulate fracking and end mountaintop coal extractions – urgent to the state of Pennsylvania. She made a brief announcement from the pulpit and during coffee hour collected 19 signatures. Several persons begged off for a week, saying they wanted to take the suggestions home and read them carefully before putting down numbers.</p> <p>On Easter Sunday, April 24, our minister, Rev. Kathy Ellis, was in the pulpit. She frequently speaks on environmental issues and she and many others were ready to sign up. Although UUCR is one of Philadelphia’s most active social justice houses of worship, we are a small church – only 85 members, some of whom are retired, living in nursing homes twenty miles away, and seldom able to come to church even on Easter. However, WE MADE IT! Not quite 40 signers, but 40% of 85 equals 34, and that’s exactly how many signed up! One of our most active social justice members, Peter Johnstone, who chairs the weekly sale of Fair Trade products, has been encouraging us to address water issues for five or more years. He recently bought an older house – and led the list in the numbers of actions he either is already involved in or plans to begin during the 40 days of the campaign. Another signer suggested adding a pledge not to run rinse water while washing dishes.</p>	4/17/2011		UU Church of the Restoration, 6900 Stenton Ave.



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UU Church of the Restoration	Philadelphia	PA	Further 40-day activities include UUCR's activities to ready for the Interfaith Green Fair on May 1 at the Germantown Friends School's environmentally-designed new Science Center – carrying around lawn signs (one of which stands on UUCR's lawn overlooking two well-traveled streets), distributing handbills, and working with the state and local leaders of the UU Pennsylvania Legislative Advocacy Network (UUPlan) to put together materials to educate the public on critical water issues. Five members of UUCR will be talking with visitors at our table this coming Sunday, and the local UUPlan chairperson, from First Church, Cynthia Jones, will be joining us.	5/1/2011		Germantown Friends School, 47 Coulter St.
Tennessee Valley UU Church	Knoxville	TN	We will conduct an Earth Day Forum on April 17, which will include an update on proposed legislation now under consideration by the Tennessee legislature to ban mountaintop removal (MTR) in the state and a report on a recent fieldtrip by eight members of TVUUC to a MTR site in Kentucky to plant trees. The Sierra Club supported the fieldtrip logistically.	4/17/2011	10:15 AM	Tennessee Valley UU Church, 2931 Kingston Pike
Sacred Journey Fellowship	Dallas	TX	On April 23, Sacred Journey Fellowship will be creating the altar for the element of Water for the community event Flowfest (Southwest). Flowfest (Southwest) is an eco conscious springtime festival designed to invite the Dallas community to involve themselves in the flow of life through dance, yoga, and Tai Chi, to name a few ways. We will be inviting the community at large to join us in a Water Communion by bringing water from their sacred places to be shared in ceremony with the spirit of White Rock Lake. Flowfest (Southwest) website: http://www.flowfestsouthwest.com/ Sacred Journey Fellowship website: www.sacredjourneyuu.org	4/23/2011	11:00 AM	The Bathhouse Cultural Center at White Rock Lake in Dallas Texas 521 East Lawther Drive



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First Jefferson UU Church	Fort Worth	TX	We began the Sacred Waters 40/40 Campaign on April 17 with 58 people taking the pledge. We had a few reports immediately from people who said they were already doing 6 - 9 of the suggested 40 and were planning on doing more. Fifty-eight people in a congregation our size is an exciting number. We are also planning on following the campaign with UUA Tapestry of Faith curriculum <i>Gather the Spirit</i> as an Intergenerational Summer Course. I will let you know of further developments.	4/17/2011	11:00 AM	First Jefferson UU Church, 1959 Sandy Lane
Emerson UU Church	Houston	TX	Ministers are doing a special service on World Water Day. We will get pledges for 40-40.	4/24/2011	9:30 AM	Emerson UU Church, 1900 Bering Dr
First UU Church of Lubbock	Lubbock	TX	40/40 for Earth Challenge: 40 percent of our average Sunday attendance has signed up, committing to make large and small changes in their daily approach to water, for 40 days from April 17 to May 26. The focus is to remind us that water is, in fact, sacred, and to find personal and local actions we can take to protect this resource and ensure its safety and availability for all creatures.	4/17/2011	11:00 AM	2801 42nd St.
UU Fellowship of the Peninsula	Newport News	VA	Our 9:30am and 11am services on Sunday, April 24th 2011 will feature our middle-schoolers and others in "The Choice to Save the World" by Sheri Prud'homme. The service will also include a request to attendees to commit to the 40/40 for Earth challenge.			UU Fellowship of the Peninsula, 415 Young's Mill Lane



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UU Church in Reston	Reston	VA	On Saturday, April 9, we will once again participate in the annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup, now in it's 23rd year. On Sunday, April 10, our children will build (with adult supervision!) "Watershed Wilma – Queen of Trash" using many of the more interesting pieces that we picked up during the cleanup (and have thoroughly cleaned). Wilma will make her debut as an educational art construction on Earth Sunday, April 17, and will reside in the sanctuary for forty days. This will be the fourth year for this project – everyone really looks forward to it! The Green Sanctuary Committee will present a "Sacred Waters" worship service, invite the congregation to participate in the 40/40 for Earth Challenge, and serve an organic lunch. One of our artistic members will create a display on water justice issues.	4/17/2011	9:30 & 11:15 AM	UU Church in Reston, 1625 Wiehle Ave.
Williamsburg Unitarian Universalists	Williamsburg	VA	Our Earth Day Celebration took place last Saturday, April 16, from 10 am to 1 pm. Despite dire warnings of impending severe weather, several intrepid WUUs gathered to collect trash from the road that runs in front of our church. Children remained on campus to learn about trees and they even became tree huggers to determine whether trees were one, two or more huggers were required to circle the tree. At noon we all gathered for an earth-friendly taco lunch buffet. The storms held off until the afternoon.	4/16/2011	10:00 AM	Williamsburg Unitarian Universalists, 3051 Ironbound Road



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Champlain Valley UU Society	Middlebury	VT	Earth Day Worship Service: theme: Sacred Waters	4/17/2011	10:00 AM	Champlain Valley UU Society, 2 Duane Ct.
			CVUUS is one of the organizers of the Middlebury, Vermont Earth Day Fair, which has adopted the "Sacred Waters" theme, chosen by the Ministry for Earth. The afternoon fair features drumming, music, local foods, seed exchanges, demonstrations and children's activities. Many local environmental organizations will take part in the annual Earth Day event. In addition to celebrating Earth Day, and expanding the community's awareness of environmental and social justice issues, the Fair gives CVUUS an opportunity to highlight its Green Sanctuary activities and our environmental consciousness. We hope our participation in the Fair will attract more members to our congregation.	4/17/2011	1:00 PM	Middlebury Green
UU Congregation of the Upper Valley	Norwich	VT	We are building energy for congregation-wide participation in our Green Sanctuary recertification, so we are focusing this Earth Day on helping our congregation that there are many different ways in which our personal relationships with the Earth inform our lives. Five members of the congregation will speak to how their connection with the Earth influences their creativity, their food choices, their parenting, their activism, and their contemplative life. We are planning a separate service on water during the summer or fall and will use the UUMFE materials and pledge at that time.	4/17/2011	10:00 AM	Marion Cross School On the Green



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Bellingham Unitarian Fellowship	Bellingham	WA	<p>“Turn the World Around!” – The Rev. Doug Wadkins & Crystal Neva, Director of Lifelong Learning. BUF Community Worship experience for members and friends of all ages! Join us in the year 2310, when all is well – the birds are singing, the breezes are blowing, and human beings are thriving in a world community of responsibility and compassion. It is the time of year when we celebrate the Great Turning and we meet at Gathering Sites to sing songs and tell stories about our eternal friends – the elements. We gather to honor the Earth, our ancestors, and the wisdom of children. Everyone is welcome to this unique and whimsical celebration of Earth Day.</p>	4/17/2011	9:15 AM	1207 Ellsworth Street, BUF sanctuary
			<p>Environmental Justice Event: an encore presentation of the award winning film "BAG IT – Is Your Life Too Plastic?" Presented by the BUF Green Sanctuary Program. Brooks Anderson from Bag It Bellingham will update us on the proposed plastic shopping bag ordinance and we will have tables for writing letters to the city council. Free Admission – donations of clean, reusable fabric shopping bags for Lydia House greatly appreciated.</p>	5/1/2011	6:30 PM	1207 Ellsworth Street, BUF sanctuary



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Quimper UU Fellowship	Port Townsend	WA	We involved the children in our RE program, by telling them about the importance of water and getting them to write down what they plan to do to save water. Each of their ideas for how they planned to save water were written on a piece of paper shaped like a large blue drop of water and posted on a large wall in the Fellowship Hall. Adults were encouraged to do the same during our "Social Justice Fair" held between services on April 10. To give people ideas, we shared the UUMFE list of 40 ideas from the 40/40 for Earth Challenge. We presented our annual Eco-Hero Award to our DRE, Kathy Stevenson, for all her work in implementing environmental education about the 7th principle. For Earth Day, we invited a guest speaker, Kurt Hoelting, author of "The Circumference of Home" in which he describes his year within 100 km of his home without car or jet travel. He gave the Sunday service and conducted a forum after the service.	4/17/2011	9:15 AM	Quimper UU Fellowship, 2333 San Juan Ave.
UU Church of Vancouver	Vancouver	WA	Sacred Waters 40/40 Pledge Drive kicks off with bulletin insert; follow-up with phone calls, emails. We are including the Toastmasters group that meets at the church, and attendees at a film series we are hosting for the Vancouver Watershed Council.	4/24/2011	9:30 AM	UU Church of Vancouver, 4505 East 18th Street
Woodinville UU Congregation	Woodinville	WA	Earth Day service with a speaker from a local water conservation organization, People for Puget Sound, along with a kick off of the 40/40 challenge in our congregation.	4/17/2011	10:00 AM	Woodinville UU Church, 19020 NE Woodinville-Duvall Rd



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UU Church West	Brookfield	WI	We will participate in the annual Milwaukee Riverkeeper Spring River Cleanup on Saturday, April 16, from 9am – noon (http://www.mkeriverkeeper.org/) as we have for many years. ALSO, our 4-17 worship services will focus on Earth Day (Earth Inspires Us), and we will ask church members, friends, children, and youth to sign up for the 40/40 challenge with us. In addition, our Earth Ministry Committee will collect old tennis shoes, cell phones, burned out compact fluorescent bulbs (unbroken), and batteries (both rechargeable and “disposable”) after both services on April 17.	4/16/2011 4/17/2011	9:00 AM 9:15 AM	UU Church West, 13001 W. North Ave
UU Congregation of Eau Claire	Eau Claire	WI	We are celebrating Earth Day and our connection with the earth by engaging with the heartbeat of the WORLD DRUM. The mission of the World Drum is to unite people of the world in a common effort to bring healing of our Earth Mother, our environment, and to bring peace into the world. The World Drum has traveled to more than 450 destinations throughout the world and its next destination is Eau Claire, WI for Earth Day. Please join Lee Hilfiker with the heart, the spirit mission of the World Drum here, as it comes to UUC.	4/20/2011	7:00 PM	UUC, 421 S. Farwell Street

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