The Creation Care team met with Church Council on June 10, 2021 and presented the attached Environmental Policies. The resolution passed and the following changes are being implemented.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES RESOLUTION**

The Church Council of United Methodist Church of Geneva hereby adopts the following environmental goals and procedures, to be implemented as soon as possible:

- Discontinue use of any polystyrene or single use plastic cups, plastic tableware, plastic tablecloths, and disposable plates at coffee hour and receptions such as those on new member Sundays or other special Sunday celebrations.
- To facilitate cleaning of cups, spoons, and other items after coffee hour, purchase portable or stationary household style dishwasher for the parlor that can be used to wash relatively small quantities after such receptions.
- 3) Begin composting of vegetable waste & recycling of all plastic, glass, tin, and aluminum (including foil) from food prep in the church kitchen.
- 4) Start using recycled toilet paper, paper towels, and printer paper everywhere in the building.
- 5) Place recycling bins in all classrooms.
- 6) Install more motion sensor light switches in places like basement hallways, meeting rooms, and bathrooms.
- 7) Convert remaining fluorescent parlor, classroom, and basement fixtures to LED fixtures.
- 8) Establish more conservative temperatures for heating and cooling in frequently used meeting rooms and the offices.
- Perform annual environmental audit of our building to identify areas that are wasting energy or material resources. Then develop steps to ameliorate those conditions.