

## GREEN TEAM 2024 ENVIRONMENTAL SUNDAY PROGRAMS\*

The Episcopal Church of Saints James and Andrew  
8 Church Street  
Greenfield, MA

1/21 Bart Bales of Bales Energy Associates (BEA) will speak on **Moving Away from Oil: Heat Pumps for Home Heating and Cooling.**

Bart Bales, Principal of BEA, is a registered professional engineer. BEA is a regular provider of utility-funded energy analyses and advises a number of towns and cities on their Green Communities' projects. In the residential sector, BEA provides mini-consults for heat pumps and other green heating and cooling systems.

Community Action Pioneer Valley (CAPV) representative will also inform the public of available funding. Event will be in the Meeting Room.

2/18 John Ward of Greenfield Solar will speak on **Using Renewable Energy: Solar Panels**, solar panel incentive programs and financing.

John Ward and his wife Claire Chang formed the Solar Store of Greenfield in 2005 and have been designing and installing solar panels in the area since then. They have planned and installed over 500 installations.

3/17 Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a **panel discussion on electric vehicles.**

We are developing a panel that includes a representative from Fairfield Kia of Keene and, for the personal perspective, a local resident who is driving an electric vehicle.

**Monday, 4/15 at 6 p.m.** join us at **Greenfield Garden Cinema**, 361 Main Street, Greenfield to celebrate Earth Day 2024 with a showing of *A Passion for the Planet*, an oratorio written by Massachusetts resident, Geoffrey Hudson, on climate change.

*A Passion for the Planet* premiered live in Northampton, MA in June 2019. The lyrics blend together scientific prose, poetry and sacred texts from many faiths. Geoffrey Hudson has had his work performed across the United States and Europe. Discussion with one of the producers after the movie.

Donations gratefully received, but no charge for attending.

5/12 Enjoy forest bathing on a local walk with activities for younger walkers. Rain date 5/19.

*National Geographic* tells us that forest bathing comes from a Japanese physiological and psychological exercise call *shinrin-yoku* translated as "forest bathing" or "taking in the forest atmosphere." The purpose was "to offer an eco-antidote to tech-boom burnout and the inspire residents to reconnect with and protect the country's forest." So come take in our local atmosphere and enjoy God's creation. Rain date TBD.

\*Unless otherwise noted all programs will be held at noon (12 p.m.) in the main body of the church with doors facing Federal Street. Programs at no charge to attendees. Bring a lunch or snack for our church programs. Greenfield Garden Cinema offers traditional cinema snacks. Contact Ella Ingraham at [ejmai127@gmail.com](mailto:ejmai127@gmail.com) if you have questions.