

MISSION 4/1 EARTH:

50 Great Days

Join us, for these special events of engaged earth care during the UCC's 50 great days of Mission 4/1 Earth: April 1 - May 19!

First Church Earth Fair & Mission 4/1 Earth:

Participation can be as simple or as in depth as you decide – the goal is to involve all ages in understanding more about our precious environment and to create a focus on environmental advocacy, powering down to reduce energy usage and working collectively and individually – and in our families - to green up Vermont.



- * **Monday April 1:** Start tracking hours given, trees planted and letters written; submit what you do in each category at church weekly – there will be special offering cards available to document participation! Information and ideas about how to participate will be available at church and is available online at: <http://www.ucc.org/earth/>. Look for our Mission 4/1 Earth celebration tree in the “midway” that will document our collective participation.

Sunday, April 7: Mission 4/1 Earth Fair from 9 to 10 and 11 to noon; a church event for the whole family! Exhibitors and vendors will have participation ideas, new ways to save energy, and conserve resources... enjoy local food and some “silly” earth foods too!

- * **Sunday, April 14:** Professor Valerie Esposito, Ph.D., Program Director for the Environmental Policy Program at Champlain College will be our guest at our next “First Church Forum” on Sunday, April 14 at 11:15. Valerie brings a local and global perspective to this contemporary issue. Please join us for this special conversation.

- * **Saturday, May 4:** Green Up Day in your community - OR - in the morning at First Church. Gather at 8:30 for coffee and bagels – we’ll get started at 9:00 am. Please bring rakes, hand tools for gardening, work gloves and a wheel barrow if you can. If its raining we’ll do clean up in the church! Questions? Or to RSVP – email Chrissy at Cforbes@firstchurchburlington.org

Sunday, May 19: Mission 4/1 Earth Celebration at First Church!

First Church Forum
Sunday, April 14 at 11:15
Professor Valerie Esposito, Ph.D.*
Director of Environmental Policy
Champlain College



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