



SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS
OLDENBURG, INDIANA

Faithful to our Franciscan Charism, we commit to hold sacred all of God's creation and to sing the praises of God's beauty in this world which has been entrusted to us. We mourn the devastation of earth's resources and stand in solidarity with those most affected by the climate crisis and policies that contribute to their suffering. We commit to promote the sustainability of Earth for future generations. We believe in the power of prayer and ecological transformation for ourselves and others.

Answering Pope Francis's urgent call in the Laudato Si seven year journey, the Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg, Indiana and our Associates commit ourselves to the Laudato Si goals and action plans. We pledge to live more deeply the call to transition to Integral Ecology by joining this global Laudato Si Action Platform Movement.

We commit to:

- 1) pray and reflect on our duty to care for God's creation and protect the poor and vulnerable impacted by our climate crisis, especially indigenous people and persons of color as we advocate for environmental and economic justice and restoration.
- 2) educate ourselves and others concerning the causes and moral dimensions of climate emergency.
- 3) assess how we and others contribute to climate crisis by our energy use and consumption.
- 4) act to change our choices and behaviors to reduce the ways we contribute to climate crisis.
- 5) advocate for moral principles and priorities in climate change discussions and decisions.

We invite others to join with us on this sacred journey.

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