



Creation Season

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Humans interacting with 'this fragile Earth, our island home'

*We touch the world in hard and masterful ways,
ripping from it the goods we need*

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Lessons (Revised Common Lectionary)

Job 23:1-9, 16-17 Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15

Psalm 22:1-15 Psalm 90: 12-17

Hebrews 4:12-16

Mark 10:17-31

Collect

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

After listening to today's readings, here are some things to consider or discuss

- 1 What are local land use sites in your area – issues or improvements which could be made?
- 2 How can our church reduce its “carbon footprint”?
- 3 How are ways we can live with fewer possessions, not spend more money or even give them away?
- 4 What are other scriptural references to eternal life and wealth?
- 5 Where does St. Frances fit with these stories? Can you learn more about him?
- 6 Do we have any examples of a modern St. Frances?
- 7 Take a land use field trip or take on a project of land resource improvement

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