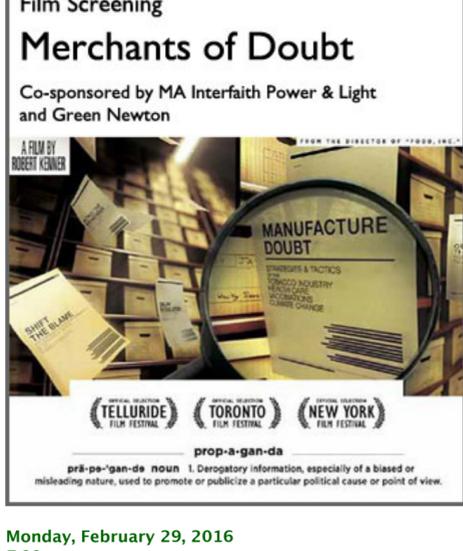


Dear MIP&L members and friends,



**Film Screening**  
**Merchants of Doubt**

Co-sponsored by MA Interfaith Power & Light  
and Green Newton

Monday, February 29, 2016  
7:00 pm  
Druker Auditorium, Newton Free Library,  
330 Homer St, Newton Centre, MA 02459

Are you confused by conflicting reports that are presented by the media on environmental issues? Join us for a screening of *Merchants of Doubt*, based on the celebrated book by Naomi Oreskes and Erik Conway, that reveals the truth behind the secretive and charismatic pundits-for-hire who present themselves in the media as scientific authorities. They only succeed in spreading maximum confusion about well-studied public threats from climate change to toxic chemicals.

Advance registration requested but not required.

To register go to <http://conta.cc/1TvuytZ>  
For directions to the Newton Free Library, [click here](#).  
The library is accessible by MBTA bus #59.



**Boston Interfaith Community Solar (BICS)—Community Forum in Jamaica Plain**



We invite you to come learn about the Boston Interfaith Community Solar program which will enable participating houses of worship to host solar panels on their roof, get savings on electricity from the panels, help other individuals purchase solar electricity, and care for creation by supporting the growth of renewable energy.

All are welcome to attend this information session. Presentations will describe the program in detail, distribute overviews of the expected financial aspects of the program and field questions regarding the risks and benefits that participants can expect.

Join MIP&L and Co-op Power this Saturday to learn about this new program:  
Date: Saturday, February 27, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Location: Bethel AME Church Youth Center - 84 Wachusett St Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Or go to <http://www.cooppower.coop/bics/> for more information and to register for the event.  
Registration is not necessary to attend the meeting.

**Sustainable House of Worship Workshop**



Saturday March 12th, 2016  
8:30 am-12:30 pm

St. John the Evangelist  
410 Washington Street  
Duxbury, MA 02332

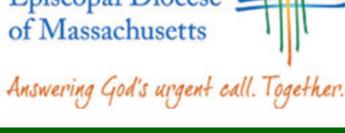
Attend this informative, hands-on workshop conducted by Massachusetts Interfaith Power & Light to Learn how to lower your house of worship's carbon footprint and energy bills.

- Electricity – How to recognize the major energy hogs – and what to do about them.
- Solar Power – Is solar an option for you?
- Heat & Air Conditioning – Is it time for an upgrade?
- Building Envelope – How to make your congregation more comfortable & save money.
- Behavior – How simple actions can reduce your energy bill –and carbon footprint– by 10% or more.

Thanks to the support of the [Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts](#), the workshop fee is only \$10 per attendee. Registration and light refreshments at 8:30. Workshop begins at 9:00 am

All are welcome!

For more information contact Vince Maraventano at [vince@MIPandL.org](mailto:vince@MIPandL.org) or 617-244-0755.  
[www.MIPandL.org](http://www.MIPandL.org)



**Boston Area Sustainability Group: Carbon Realities**



Tuesday, March 1, 2016 from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM  
Cambridge Innovation Center  
Venture Cafe - 5th Floor  
One Broadway  
Cambridge, MA 02142

Climate change could have an enormous impact on Massachusetts. Intensifying storms will erode precious coastline and may wreak havoc on aging infrastructure. Failing to address this danger could cost us billions of dollars to protect buildings and homes, and billions more to repair the damage to the environment and public health.

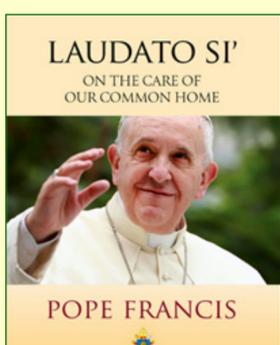
Come to a forum to learn about the hidden costs of carbon pollution and how to effectively account for them. To register [click here](#).

State Senator Mike Barrett, D-Lexington, will bring his passion and mission to have Massachusetts lead the country by putting a price on carbon with bill S.1747, *An Act combating climate change*. Mike favors increasing the prices of fossil fuels to pay for the health and environmental harm they cause.

Joe Lassiter, Senior Fellow at Harvard Business School, will address the intersection of innovation and environmental regulation, particularly as it relates to climate and carbon.

Johanna Jobin, of Biogen, will share Biogen's journey to carbon neutrality and talk about how companies are valuing carbon and taking it into account in their business strategies.

**Reflections on Laudato Si'**



Sunday, March 6th, 2016  
11:15 am

Sacred Heart Parish  
21 Follen Rd.  
Lexington, MA

The Rev. Sean McDonagh, Columban priest and eco-theologian, will explore the encyclical's implications for the poor, public policy, future generations and the earth. Fr. Sean was a consultant to Pope Francis on his encyclical, *Laudato Si'*.

For more information on similar presentations by Fr. Sean, at the Harvard Kennedy School, Boston College, and Concord from March 3 to March 7th go to <http://catholicclimatemovement.global/fr-sean/> or contact Fran Ludwig at [fludwig12@yahoo.com](mailto:fludwig12@yahoo.com) (781-861-7231).

Read about Fr. Sean's new commentary [here](#).

**Lenten Carbon Fast**



Make Lent an opportunity to enter into a spiritual discipline of fasting from carbon.

Over the past few years, thousands of people the world over have welcomed a day-by-day opportunity to fast from carbon as their Lenten discipline. Initiated by the UCC and endorsed by Episcopalians, people of every Christian perspective—and people who are not Christians—have benefitted from this opportunity to become more conscious and conscientious in their daily lives.

Here's how it works: Beginning Ash Wednesday and throughout Lent, participants will receive a daily email with the day's suggested carbon-reducing activity.

Click below or paste the following link in your browser to sign up to fast from carbon during Lent: [www.macucc.org/carbonfast](http://www.macucc.org/carbonfast). And be sure to add [habcockp@macucc.org](mailto:habcockp@macucc.org) to your list of approved senders.

Each day's activity will be cumulatively posted on this page: <https://www.facebook.com/climatewitness/?fref=ts>. Let's make protecting God's creation by reducing our carbon footprint as fundamental a spiritual discipline as prayer.

*The Rev. Dr. Jim Antal • Conference Minister and President • Massachusetts Conference, UCC and founder of NEREM. A program of the New England Regional Environmental Ministries*



Bar Harbor to Boston  
September 8-12, 2016

Registration is now open for Climate Ride 2016. Participate in this exciting event and list Interfaith Power and Light as the organization you're supporting

This 5-day, 390-mile route takes advantage of the best cycling in Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts. You'll ride along the North Atlantic's scenic coastline by day and spend evenings with an amazing community of people. Register now and ride on behalf of Interfaith Power & Light.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

Get the latest news including many new rides this year by going to: [www.climateride.org/events](http://www.climateride.org/events)

**PLEASE DONATE TODAY**



Mass. Interfaith Power & Light provides a faith based response to global warming by helping people and faith communities to lower their carbon footprints and by advocating for public policies that fulfill our moral responsibility to create a sustainable future.

Please help us carry out this critical mission by going to [www.MIPandL.org](http://www.MIPandL.org), clicking on the DONATE button and making a secure, fully tax deductible donation.

Peace and blessings,

Your friends at MIP&L