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St. Andrews Presbyterian Church is Certified as an Earth Care Congregation

Tucker, Ga. – St. Andrews Presbyterian Church was certified as an Earth Care Congregation by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s Environmental Ministries on July 14, 2010. This honor speaks to the great commitment that St. Andrews Presbyterian Church has to caring for God's earth.

To become an Earth Care Congregation, St. Andrews Presbyterian Church affirmed the Earth Care Pledge to integrate environmental practices and thinking into all facets of its church life and completed projects and activities in the fields of worship, education, facilities, and outreach.

The Earth Care Congregation certification is designed to recognize churches that make the commitment to take seriously God's charge to "till and keep" the garden.

"It is exciting that St. Andrews Presbyterian Church is dedicated to stewardship of God's earth. The congregation's actions and commitment are an inspiration to people of faith who are answering God's call to care for the earth," says Katie Holmes, program assistant for Environmental Ministries.

The Earth Care Congregations program was started in 2010 by PC(USA) Environmental Ministries. The goal of the program is to inspire churches to care for God's earth in a holistic way, through integrating earth care into all of their church life. The Earth Care Congregation certification honors churches that make that commitment and encourages others to follow their example.

For more information on St. Andrews Presbyterian Church's earth care program contact Susan Philips at office@standewspresbyterian.org.

For more information on the Earth Care Congregations program go to www.pcusa.org/environment.