

“The earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor; she ‘groans in travail’(Rom 8:22). We have forgotten that we ourselves are dust of the earth (cf Gen 2:7); our very bodies are made up of her elements, we breathe her air and receive life and refreshment from her waters. . .The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like and immense pile of filth.” Laudato Si 2,21



Adults keep saying: “We owe it to the young people to give them hope.” But I don't want your hope. I don't want you to be hopeful. I want you to panic. I want you to feel the fear I feel every day.

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Breathe deeply of the cool fresh air. As you feel the air fill your lungs think about what you know.

- We are reaching the tipping point. The point when recovery becomes impossible.
- We are overconsuming what we in our privilege are able to consume.
- The plastic we use is indestructible and fills our land and oceans.
- The fossil fuel industry flourishes.
- The consumption of meat is equal to the pollution of all the driving in our world.
- Water is being wasted.

WE, IN OUR PERSONAL AND CORPORATE LIVES KNOW WHAT IS RIGHT AND WHAT IS LOVING.

What must we do? What can we do? What will we do?

If we take time to listen to what God’s Spirit is saying we will find the wisdom, the courage, the support and love needed to respond. We will

- Pray daily for those who have the power to make laws that support sustainability.
- Take a first step to live more simply.
- Avoid using plastic
- Limit our driving’
- Eat less meat and more plant base food.
- Not let water run unnecessarily.