

## ***GreenFaith Certification Program Application Form***

**Date:** Nov. 29, 2010

**Name of Institution:** St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, Ann Arbor, MI

**Religious Tradition:** Christian/Episcopal

**Address:** 1679 Broadway

**City/Town:** Ann Arbor, MI

**Zip Code:** 48105

**Phone Number:** 734-663-5503

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**Website:** [www.staidan.org](http://www.staidan.org)

**Name and contact information (including email) for the ordained leader:**

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**Name and contact information (including email) for the Chair or President of the Governing Board:**

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**In 100 words or less, please describe why your institution wants to take part in the GreenFaith Certification Program.**

St. Aidan's, an Episcopal Congregation in ecumenical ministry with Northside Presbyterian Church, already strives to live more responsibly with the earth. Together we have made many energy-efficient improvements to our shared facilities. Yet we know we have more to do. The joint building and grounds committee recently voted to support St. Aidan's GreenFaith application. The preservation and restoration of a 5 acre forest on our land has become a focus of our outreach mission which includes public nature trails and educational programs. We expect to benefit from the Program by broadening the environmental concerns that we address and by extending our impact in the community and the world.

**Please answer the following questions to the best of your knowledge:**

- **Is your congregation undertaking other significant projects or programs in the next two years? Projects may include a significant anniversary celebration, an all-encompassing membership drive, or anything that would divert substantial attention and energy from the Certification Program.**

**If yes, please describe, and explain how you plan to complete the Certification Program at the same time as this other major project.**

No, though we think GreenFaith will enhance our ongoing evangelism work and attract new members who are committed to eco-justice.

- **Will your institution experience a change in ordained leadership or significant personnel changes within the next two years? Please explain.**

No

- **Will your congregation be conducting building or facility renovation projects in the next two years? If yes, please explain how you plan to complete the Certification Program at the same time as this other major project.**

No. We are not taking on new building projects except for ones that may be related to making our building more energy efficient.

- **Will your congregation be writing or revising a Long-range or Strategic Plan in the next two years? If yes, please explain how you plan to complete the Certification Program at the same time as this other major project.**

No. We believe that the GreenFaith Certification Program will help us live into the vision we set for ourselves two years ago.

**Please have your ordained leader and Green Team members read the following information and documents on our website. Write 'yes' next to each item to affirm that it has been read:**

- Process and Requirements: yes
- Resources and Support Provided: yes
- Frequently Asked Questions: yes
- Building an Effective Green Team: yes
- Green Team Commitment Form: yes

***Please include in your application:***

- *The completed Green Team Commitment Form*
- *The Governing Board Resolution*
- *The statements of support (written and date of verbal statement) from the ordained leader*
- *A picture, sent electronically, of your ordained leader and your building*

The application should be submitted through the Certification Program section of GreenFaith's homepage, under 'Submit Certification Application Here'.