

# Greenwood District UMW

## Social Action Event – Climate Justice

Saturday, February 18, 2017 – First UMC, 161 S. Line Street, Grenada, MS 38901

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with Continental Breakfast  
Event ends at 12:30 p.m. (No lunch will be served)

This event is open to United Methodist Women, Clergy, and all who are interested in the issue of Climate Justice.

A few words from our leader, Abby Bassie:



Hello all. My name is Abby Bassie. I graduated with a B.S. in biological/environmental engineering from Mississippi State University (MSU) in 2016. I am currently pursuing a master's degree in electrical engineering at MSU. During the final year of my undergraduate career, I worked with leading environmental scientists to study sea level rise and its effect on wetlands in the Mississippi Gulf Coast. I also worked for the River Engineering Branch of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers and developed mudslide forecasting systems for vulnerable regions of the Southwestern United States.

These experiences have shaped my perception of climate justice in a very personal way. It's been incredible to play a very small part in the global effort to understand human impacts on our climate. It's a subject that I'm very passionate about, and I hope that our discussion

will motivate you to seek climate justice for yourself, for your posterity, and for the global population. I look forward to seeing you all on February 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **United Methodist *Book of Discipline***

All creation is the Lord's, and we are responsible for the ways in which we use and abuse it. Water, air, soil, minerals, energy resources, plants, animal life, and space are to be valued and conserved because they are God's creation and not solely because they are useful to human beings. God has granted us stewardship of creation. We should meet these stewardship duties through acts of loving care and respect. (**Social Principles, ¶ 160**)

**United Methodist Women calls for sound stewardship of the earth and environmentally friendly lifestyles that preserve creation for the benefit of present and future generations. Get involved in our environmental work.**

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