



Filled with desire to do better Lord, we respond to Your call for discipleship by shaping our lives in the imitation of Christ.

We profess that the call requires us to be stewards of Your gifts. As stewards, we receive Your gifts gratefully.

Help us to cherish and tend them in a responsible manner, share them in practice & love with others, and return them with increase to you our Lord.

Amen

Watch your WASTE line this Christmas

1. Source a growing tree which you can keep for future years or plant in your churchyard.
2. One big card in church for everyone to sign
3. Give saved money from cards to a Christian or environmental charity.
4. Ban the use of floral foam in church flower decorations.
5. Hold an eco wrapping workshop in church.
6. Encourage less buying new - Organise a SHWAPPING event where people bring clothes, toys, gifts, toiletries etc to swap, giving a small donation to charity.
7. Share recipes for Christmas leftovers.
8. Avoid using disposable cups, plates etc at church parties. Source washable .
9. Buy a gift for the church—a Johanna Composter which takes all food waste safely.
10. Organise a church walk or family cycle to burn off calories

- How to have an eco-Christmas | The Wildlife Trusts (<https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/actions/how-have-eco-christmas>)
- 21 eco-friendly Christmas tips | Friends of the Earth (<https://friendsoftheearth.uk/about/21-ecofriendly-christmas-tipsO>)
- Seven tips for a sustainable christmas - Fairtrade Foundation (<https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/media-centre/blog/seven-tips-for-a-sustainable-christmas/>)
- LOAF – Green Christian (<https://greenchristian.org.uk/gc-campaigns/loaf/>)



Taking action on **WATCHING YOUR WASTE LINE THIS CHRISTMAS** could support:

Eco Church (for churches <https://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/>): B18, L10, C&GE9,14,19,22,23,24,25,27 L6,7,8,9,10

Creation Care (for households <https://creationcare.org.uk/>): 6.1,6.2,6.4,6.13,6.14,6.16 & 6.19