



United
Women
in Faith

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Social justice news

Biggest Little Farm Movie: We had planned to watch the film **Common Ground** but had difficulties getting it. Fortunately, I'd attended the Boulder Film Festival a few years ago and saw this charming, family friendly movie. We had a good crowd of youth, United Women in Faith, and folks from the community. If you didn't have a chance to join us and you're looking for a movie about the environment that gives you warm fuzzies, consider checking it out at home:

<https://youtu.be/UfDTM4JxHI8?si=5BmNM0V5ZkNCpeP1>



Yard Sales Abound! We're hitting yard sale season and it's a great thing. Anytime we can buy used items, we are helping the environment by keeping things out of the landfill but also saving all the resources used to manufacture new stuff. Fast fashion is especially a problem - creating a great deal of pollution to make and ship, but also jamming the market with too many clothes which are not made to last and wind up at the dump. You can find incredibly cool stuff at secondhand stores and be a trend-setter!

Don't forget the first "R": You've probably heard Reduce, Reuse, Repair, Recycle, but there's another one. The first one. And that is "refuse." When I attend events or festivals, they often have little tchotchkes or bling bags they give away with pens and pads of paper, flash drives, magnets, and plastic cups. Unless it's cookies or coffee I say, "Thanks, but no."

An opportunity to learn about the struggles of the unhoused: You're invited to join members of the Broomfield Housing Solutions Forum (BHSF) for a viewing and discussion of two short, social-impact films on Tuesday, May 28, from 6-8 p.m., in the chapel of our church (Broomfield UMC). The chosen featured films are from Invisible People TV: "From Eviction to Homelessness: A Single Mom's Struggle in Las Vegas" (27 minutes) and "When LIVING IN A CAR is Your Last Choice: 'Mobile.'" The event is free and you're welcome to forward and share this invite! Please RSVP to info@broomfieldhousingalliance.org.



A prayer for you: Dear Lord, help us to know that we are part of the solution as we work to build community, change our habits to heal the planet, and work together to help our unhoused and marginalized neighbors.

Have a lovely month!