

# Quick Tips for Organizing Your Multifaith Climate Justice Prayer Gathering!

## **Find others to help.**

Reach out to a few friends, organizations, and networks to see who has time and interest to organize a prayer gathering. Trust others in your group to take on important jobs and resist the urge to do everything yourself. Your responsibility is to help bring people together. The group's responsibility is to make things happen together.

## **Set a date for a meeting and make an agenda.**

Once you have a few people on board, set a date for a meeting. Create an agenda, or a list of things you want to talk about to get you all moving. For example, you might start with some introductions, have people share what brought them to the meeting, ask what people think your multifaith prayer gathering should look like, and consider what needs to happen between this meeting and your next meeting.

## **Build a contact list.**

Create a list together of people and faith communities your group can invite to the gathering and the strike. Is there a local church that is outspoken about the climate or social justice? Do you know a teacher who loves talking about ecology? Is there a local mosque with an active youth group? Get all your connections in one place, then consider the best strategy to contact them. Does one person have time to send an email to each person or community, or would it be better to have everyone contact their own connections? Does one person have time to write an email everyone else can use, or would you prefer to write your own invitations? Do what works for you and your group!

## **Reach out to FLC for support.**

Organizing is hard! If you or your group are having trouble connecting with organizations or building a contact list, let us know. We might know communities in your area who would like to come, or we might be able to talk through some of the challenges together.

## **Add your event to the FLC map.**

Add your event details to the For the Love of Creation map [\[link\]](#) as soon as possible. This will help build some participation and momentum across the country.

## **Have fun!**

Organizing is fun! Consider hosting a day to paint posters and signs and make paper cranes [\[link to webpage\]](#). Make a group playlist of everyone's favorite climate justice music. Open your meetings with a silly icebreaker. Climate justice can be exhausting to think about, but organizing is a great way to build strong relationships and have a good time!