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## **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cape Cod and Islands Faith and Science Forum Cape Cod Climate Change: Taking Action**

Leaders from Religion, Science, Government and Advocacy Groups will come together at St. Christopher's Church in Chatham on Saturday, October 26, for a free event open to all to consider how faith and science can offer practical answers to the growing number of extreme weather events hitting the Cape and Islands.

In the wake of the recent tornadoes and last year's severe storms and flooding, the Faith and Science Forum will consider effective ways both to cope with immediate impacts on the coastline, infrastructure, property values and health, as well as to reduce long-term global threats to humans and the natural world alike.

“Recent extreme weather events on the Cape and elsewhere provide dramatic proof that climate change is upon us.” said Philip Duffy of Woods Hole Research Center, “The effects will only get worse. It is essential that we act together to head-off the worst consequences.”

The second annual Faith and Science Forum takes place at **St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, 625 Main Street, Chatham on Saturday October 26, 2019, 1:30 pm - 4 pm.**

Confirmed leaders include:

Dr. Philip Duffy, President and Executive Director, Woods Hole Research Center  
Dr. Mary Evelyn Tucker, Co-Founder and Co-Director, Yale Forum on Religion & Ecology  
Dan Wolf, Founder and CEO, Cape Air  
Julian Cyr, State Senator for Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket  
Andrew Gottlieb, Executive Director, Association to Preserve Cape Cod  
Richard Delaney, President and CEO, Center for Coastal Studies  
Chris Powicki, Member, 350Cape Cod; Executive Committee, Sierra Club  
Montana Bailey, Co-President, Nauset HS Green Club, Member, Human Rights Academy

A major purpose of the forum is to help those attending discover fruitful ways to engage with the climate crisis – especially at the town and state levels. Throughout the program, the forum will offer ample opportunity to ask questions and to connect with forum leaders, each other, and key local environmental organizations.

“There is moral force and spiritual energy at the heart of religious traditions, which can contribute to long-term solutions to our complex environmental problems,” said Mary Evelyn Tucker from Yale.

Co-sponsoring the forum are the Woods Hole Research Center, named “the top climate change think-tank in the world,” and the Faith Communities Environmental Network, a two-year-old body now numbering 20 churches and other faith groups throughout the region.

For additional information, go to [stchristopherschatham.org](http://stchristopherschatham.org). Those planning to attend are encouraged to register in advance due to limited seating.