

# Climate Change: Responding in Faith

## Interfaith Panelist Biographies

### **Karen Danielson**

Karen is the Public Affairs, Civic Engagement & Outreach Director at the Muslim American Society (MAS) Chicago. She is also an Executive Board Member at The Council of Islamic Organizations of Greater Chicago. She has been instrumental in launching a green initiative at MAS, including a garden that grows vegetables for Grace Seeds' Share the Harvest project. Karen is a leader of and advocate for interfaith dialogues/conversations/partnerships throughout the Chicago area.

**Robert Dosenbach:** Software consultant; holds the office of Secretary of the Local Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of Naperville; served at the Bahá'í World Centre for 15 years. He has been a Bahá'í for over 35 years and has many experiences in leading various classes and discussion groups and giving talks on Bahá'í themes.

### **Nancy Goede**

Nancy Goede is the pastor of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church in Oak Lawn. The congregation has a large garden they use to grow vegetables for Grace Seeds' Share the Harvest program, and a pollinator garden dominated by possibly the largest butterfly bush in the Chicagoland area. Pastor Goede is very active in the Oak Lawn Religious Workers' Association, an interfaith group that has done a variety of projects together over the years to build relationships between people of different faiths in the Oak Lawn area.

## The Climate Reality Project

### **Lisa Albrecht**

Lisa is a Renewable Energy Specialist for Solar Service, a solar installation company that has installed over 2,000 systems since 1977. She is responsible for sales and business development throughout Chicagoland area.

Lisa serves on the Board of Directors for the Illinois Solar Energy Association (ISEA) where she works on education and state policy efforts. She speaks regularly to a variety of organizations including schools and universities about the applications and benefits of solar as well as the implications of dirty energy on climate. Lisa has been a Climate Reality Leader since August 2012.

### **Drew Solomon**

Drew has been a Climate Reality Leader since August 2012, but he's been an advocate for the planet ever since he was a young boy growing up on the plains of eastern Montana. Drew works for a global Public Relations firm in downtown Chicago. His depth of experience in the communication industry has taken on a new meaning as he seeks to deliver the reality of the climate crisis to people of all ages and backgrounds. Drew studies Leadership in Sustainability Management at the University of Chicago.

### **The Climate Reality Project**

The Climate Reality Project, founded and chaired by former Vice President and Nobel Laureate Al Gore, is dedicated to unleashing a global cultural movement demanding action on the climate crisis. Despite overwhelming international scientific consensus on climate change, the global community still lacks the resolve to implement meaningful solutions. The Climate Reality Project exists to forge an unwavering bedrock of impassioned support necessary for urgent action. With that foundation, together we will ignite the moral courage in our leaders to solve the climate crisis.