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Review

Ecological Footprints is a hopeful and profound book, one we need today as we search for a way of living as responsible members of the community of life on Earth. Dawn Nothwehr invites the reader into a Christian ecological vision and practice that is inspired by the Scriptures and wonderfully enriched by the precious Franciscan tradition of Francis, Clare, Bonaventure and Scotus.

Denis Edwards, Flinders University, South Australia, Author of Ecology at the Heart of Faith

Dawn Nothwehr combines depth of scholarship with depth of passion and prayer in a way that is simply breathtaking. Ecological Footprints positively sings with hope. While grim determination and even despair characterize all too many works on today's (admittedly overwhelming) environmental crises, this book begins and ends with the conviction that we already have the spiritual resources we need in order to live sustainably on our fragile planet. At once prayerful, scholarly, and wonderfully practical, this book is exactly the ecotheology we need today.

Colleen Mary Carpenter, Saint Catherine University, Author of Redeeming the Story: Women, Suffering, and Christ

Ecological Footprints is as vast and rich as Mother Earth. The book is comprehensive in content, exploring its 'urgent issues' in a clear, engaging manner. It is a book that can be read individually or with a group, in chapters or in its entirety. However grasped, the charges it outlines about the modern burdens of the earth are haunting and demand our action.

Ingrid J. Peterson, OSF, Co-author of The Franciscan Tradition

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