

MARYLAND GREEN REGISTRY

WOODS MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP AWARD WINNER

2023



Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church was established in 1912 in Severna Park, Maryland and includes approximately 1,500 members.

Environmental Achievements:

- Reduced energy usage by more than 50% through a high efficiency HVAC system, LED lighting, improved insulation, and new windows and doors.
- Captures stormwater runoff from rooftops and paved surfaces through a rain garden, the addition of 175 trees to a wooded area to absorb rooftop rainwater, and the redirection of rainwater to a grassy field for reabsorption.
- Planted over 1,000 native trees, shrubs and perennials with no irrigation required, restoring the habitat which is now a home to a variety of birds, butterflies and other pollinators.
- Refurbished all 500 sanctuary chairs for donation to other congregations.

