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## *Teaching Sustainable Practices at Bethlehem Farm*

UN Sustainability Goal #11: SUSTAINABLE CITIES & COMMUNITIES

**Tuesday, November 14, 2023 • 7:30 - 9:00 PM**

*Franciscan Center Conference Room A and B*

**E**ric Fitts lives in Clayton, WV, with his wife Colleen, and three children. Eric and Colleen are part of the founding group of Bethlehem Farm, where Eric has served as Director since 2007. Bethlehem Farm is a Catholic community in Appalachia that transforms lives through serving with the local community and teaching sustainable practices. Eric & Colleen live in community with fellow Caretakers and invite volunteers from across the country to join them in living the Gospel cornerstones of prayer, community, simplicity, and service. Eric also serves on the board of Nazareth Farm, Bethlehem's sister farm, and Sprouting Farms, a nonprofit that combines education, resource sharing, land access, and food production models to support new and beginning farmers, jump-start local wholesale market channels, and help nurture the local farming community. Bethlehem Farm is a member of the Catholic Committee of Appalachia, Coalition for Home Repair, Catholic Volunteer Network, WV Nonprofit Association, and Pennsylvania Association of Sustainable Agriculture. Eric's other passions include raising barefoot children, working in the garden, running, hiking and stargazing.

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