

## Rev. Janet Weber

I am vehemently opposed to all fracking in the Delaware Basin. The fact that this is even being considered is unconscionable. The Delaware River is one of the gems of America. It is a source of water for millions of residents and untold millions of fish and wildlife, and in addition, it is a recreational resource for as many. While I strongly support stringent and ENFORCED regulations to prohibit fracking, testing, drilling, water extraction and discharge of any kind, I have grave concerns this will be steamrolled by industry, the region degraded into yet another sacrifice zone. The relentless push for profit and bribes at various levels is the new anthem of America. Inevitable spills, accidents, plus disregard of environmental guidelines with no fines or jail sentences are the daily soundtrack, a shrug of shoulders, It is pathetic we have to even submit comments. There are other countries which legally recognize the sovereignty of some of their rivers. The rivers have a right to exist, unmolested; not to be seen as an expendable, exploitable resource. Water is essential for life, and any more damage to yet another water body like the Delaware River is not just morally wrong but criminal.