

Dear Trinity Family,

A Special Meeting has been called by the vestry on Sunday September 12, 2021, at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall and on Zoom to vote on amending the Church Membership bylaws with the addition of Article 2.2.5. and Article 4.2.2 regarding the qualifications for vestry members. (The proposed changes are printed in red and pertinent related portions are highlighted in yellow below.)

Revision History:

7 Nov 2011	Initial Release	L. Maton, J. Settles, P. Smith and H. VanGelder	0
1 Jan 2013	Decreased Vestry membership from twelve (12) to nine (9). Format clean-up. Approved at Annual Meeting – January 2012.	K. Wilson	1
1 Jun 2021	Updated details on Vestry Member Requirements	D. Green, S. Peters, J. Anderson and K. Wilson	2

ARTICLE 2.0 – CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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- 2.2** Categories of Membership. Trinity recognizes the following categories of membership, which are not mutually exclusive: [CDM 3.3.1]
- 2.2.1** Member: Any person who is baptized and who is a sometime worshipper in this church shall be considered a member of Trinity.
- 2.2.2** Communicant. Any Member who, during the preceding year, has received Holy Communion at least three (3) times in Trinity shall be considered a communicant of Trinity.
- 2.2.3** Communicant in Good Standing. Any communicant who, during the preceding year, has been faithful in worship, unless for good cause prevented, and in working, praying and giving for the spread of the kingdom of God, shall be considered a communicant in good standing of Trinity.
- 2.2.4** Adult. As provided in the Canons of the General Convention, a communicant sixteen (16) years of age or older shall be considered an adult communicant.
- 2.2.5** Pledging Member is an Adult Communicant in Good Standing who commits in writing an annual financial pledge.

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ARTICLE 3.0 – PARISH MEETINGS

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- 3.3 Eligibility to Vote in Parish Meetings:** At all meetings of the Parish, the right to vote shall be confined to such persons of sixteen years of age or over, who for six months prior to the meeting have been regular worshippers (in person and online) and contributors in such Parish and are baptized Communicants in Good Standing. [CDM 4.1.2.4]

ARTICLE 4.0 – THE PARISH VESTRY

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- 4.2.2 Qualifications for Vestry Members.** To be eligible for election or appointment to the Vestry, a candidate must be an adult communicant in good standing in the Parish and eligible to vote, and be a pledging member one year prior to nomination. All Vestry members are expected to remain pledging members while in office. No employee of the congregation, no member of the clergy, and no member of the Rector's family (spouse, child, parent, sibling or domestic partner) may serve as an elected or appointed member of the Vestry.

The vestry is aware of the fact that in person worship has been limited, therefore those of you who have access to the internet and have consistently viewed the services online meet the worship qualification to vote. A waiver for meeting the worship qualification is being granted to those who do not have access to the internet, and/or are unable to navigate the technology required to do so.