## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**FOR** 

## NAME OF CHURCH, INC.

**ARTICLE I: NAME** 

The name of the corporation shall be NAME OF CHURCH, Inc.

## ARTICLE II: PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principal place of activity and the mailing address of the corporation shall be\_\_\_\_\_

## **ARTICLE III: PURPOSE**

The corporation acknowledges its allegiance to be due to the One, Holy, catholic and Apostolic Church of Christ; and recognizing the body known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America otherwise known as the Episcopal Church, and the Episcopal Diocese of Central Florida, to be a true branch of said Church, having rightful jurisdiction as provided in the Constitutions and Canons of this Church. We do hereby accede to the Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of this Church, and to the Constitution and Canons set forth by the General Convention, and to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Central Florida.

## ARTICLE IV: MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The board of directors of the corporation (otherwise known as the "Church Committee", "Vestry Committee" or the "Vestry") shall be elected or appointed as provided in the Canons of the Diocese of Central Florida and the By Laws of this corporation.

## ARTICLE V: LIMITATION OF CORPORATE POWERS

The corporate powers of this corporation are as prescribed in Section 627.0302 and 617.0808 of the Florida Statutes, but limited by the purposes of the corporation set forth in Article III above, including the constitution, canons, doctrine, discipline and worship of the Episcopal Church and the Diocese of Central Florida.

## ARTICLE VI: EXISTENCE

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence, or until such time as it shall be legally dissolved.

# ARTICLE VII: SUBSCRIBERS

The names and residences of the subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation are:

NAME		<u>ADDRESS</u>		
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ARTICLE VIII: INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE				
The initial registered office of this corporation shall be and the initial registered agent shall be				

## **ARTICLE IX: BY LAWS**

The By Laws of the corporation (which must not be inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons of the Episcopal Church and the Diocese of Central Florida) after approval by the Vestry, may be amended or repealed by a majority of the electors present and entitled to vote at any Annual Meeting or Special Meeting, provided that notice of such meeting and proposed amendments or repeal of the By-Laws has been sent to qualified electors not less than two (2) weeks prior to the Meeting. Amended By-Laws must be approved by the Bishop prior to their taking effect.

### ARTICLE X: REAL ESTATE

The corporation shall not encumber, sell, alienate, transfer, or convey any real property, the title to which is held by and for the use of the congregation without the consent of the Board of Directors of the Diocese of Central Florida. Should the transaction involve any consecrated church or chapel, or any church or chapel which has been used primarily for divine service, the consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese must also be obtained.

#### ARTICLE XI: DISSOLUTION

In the case of the dissolution of the corporation, legal and beneficial title to all of its property on the winding up of its affairs, after meeting its legal debts, shall vest in the corporation known as the Diocese of Central Florida, Incorporated, to hold and convey the same to and for some existing or future congregation in the Diocese of Central Florida, Incorporated, or to sell and utilize the proceeds from such sale in the discretion of the Diocese of Central Florida, Incorporated, for the benefit of existing or future congregations or the Diocese of Central Florida, Incorporated, and for no other purpose.

## **ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENT**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at a meeting of the corporation duly called and convened for such purpose, and if approved by a majority of the communicants in good standing present and voting, the amendment shall be submitted to the Bishop and to the Diocesan Board for approval, and if approved by them, the amendment shall be incorporated into and form part of these Articles of Incorporation upon the filing thereof with the Secretary of State of Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the u incorporation declaring and certifying that thereto and hereunto set their names and se	the facts stated herein	are true, and do hereby subscribe
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CONSENT OF BIS	SHOP AND DIOCESA	N BOARD
I, the Bishop of the Diocese of Cer Articles of Incorporation and certify that Incorporated, of which I am the President, the same.	ntral Florida, Incorporat the Diocesan Board of	ed, hereby approve the foregoing the Diocese of Central Florida,
	The Right Reverend Bishop and Presiden Florida, Incorporated	t of the Diocese of Central

# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA AND REGISTERED AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In compliance with Sections 48.091 and 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted: NAME OF CHURCH, Inc. desiring to organize as a domestic corporation or qualify under the laws of the state of Florida with its principal place of business at: \_\_\_\_\_, Florida, \_\_\_\_\_\_, has named and designated\_\_\_\_\_ located at:\_\_\_\_\_\_, as its Registered Agent to accept service of process within the state of Florida. ACKNOWLEDGMENT Having been named as Registered Agent for NAME OF CHURCH, Inc., at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity; and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of Section 607.0501, Florida Statutes, as the same may apply to the Company, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of Florida Statutes, Section 48.091 and all other statutes, all as the same may apply to the Company relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties as Registered Agent. Dated as of this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_. (Print or type name)

Registered Agent