

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 1C- FURTHER REVISED:  
RECOMMENDED BY DISTRICT**

**Christ Lutheran Church Constitutional Amendment to  
Delete Section with Agent of Service**

1	<b>PROPOSED RESOLUTION #1C - REVISED</b>	
2		<b>To Delete Unnecessary Section Designating Agent of Service</b>
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4	WHEREAS,	The Church's Agent of Service is already required to be listed in
5		Corporate state filings and does not need to be listed in the Constitution;
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7	WHEREAS	The Nebraska District of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod has
8		recommended this amendment to avoid the need for a constitutional
9		amendment with every change to the Director of Ministries;
10		be it therefore
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12	RESOLVED,	That the Christ Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska congregation
13		members approve the following proposed amendment to the Constitution
14		as marked in the following version:
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16	RESTATED AND AMENDED (11/28/2000) CONSTITUTION OF	
17	CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	
18	<del>ARTICLE 9: REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT</del>	
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20		<del>The street address of the Congregation's registered office shall be</del>
21		<del>4325 Sumner Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68506.</del>
22		<del>The Congregation's registered agent at such office shall be</del>
23		<del>the Rev. Dr. Luke Schnake.</del>

According to District LCMS: Article 9: *The committee suggests deleting from the constitution. The change of agent/office filings are a separate legal requirement and after the initial filing of the Articles of Incorporation need not be continually updated. These are not necessary in the constitution and thus, this particular amendment should have been unnecessary.*

***Passed LLB on 3/27/2023. Ready to submit to Congregation during 11/19/2023 meeting for first vote on deletion. Will need a second vote to ratify.***

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 3C- REVISED WITH DISTRICT'S  
SUGGESTIONS:**

**Christ Lutheran Church Constitutional Amendment To Grant  
the Lay Leadership Board Authority to Extend Calls to  
Non-Pastoral Called Workers**

1	<b>PROPOSED RESOLUTION #3</b>	
2		<b>To Grant the Lay Leadership Board the Authority to Extend Calls</b>
3		<b>to Non-Pastoral Called Workers.</b>
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5	WHEREAS,	The current Constitution requires a full congregational meeting to
6		approve all non-pastoral called workers; and
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8	WHEREAS,	As our congregation continues to grow, the number of non-pastoral called
9		workers who require approval continues to grow; and
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11	WHEREAS,	Delays in approving non-pastoral called workers, due to the need to hold
12		a full congregational meeting, with adequate notice, may cause our
13		congregation to lose out on qualified candidates, therefore, be it
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15	RESOLVED,	That the Christ Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska congregation
16		members approve the following proposed amendment to the Constitution
17		as marked in the following version:
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19	RESTATED AND AMENDED (11/28/2000) CONSTITUTION OF	
20	CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	
21	ARTICLE 5: ORGANIZATION	
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23	A.	The Congregation.
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25		The Congregation is organized as a religious corporation. The
26		Congregation shall have power to manage and administer its internal
27		and external affairs.
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29		The Congregation hereby delegates its power to the Lay Leadership
30		Board (the "LLB"), except in the following designated areas:
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32		1. The calling and removal of a pastor or <b>the removal</b> of a
33		<b>non-pastoral</b> Called Worker;
34		2. The purchase, lease, mortgage, sale or other disposition of real
35		estate, except the acquisition or disposal of real estate with a
36		value of \$100,000 or less;
37		3. The incurrence of indebtedness secured by real estate or personal

38		property or indebtedness with a term of more than one year;
39	4.	The election or removal of the members of the LLB and the
40		officers of the Congregation;
41	5.	The Annual review and approval of the Desired Outcomes
42		as recommended by the LLB;
43	6.	The excommunication of a member of the Congregation;
44	7.	The merger or dissolution of the Church; and
45	8.	The amendment of this Constitution and the Amended and
46		Restated By-Laws.
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*Reasons for these proposed amendments:*

*This amendment is proposed to grant the Lay Leadership Board authority to approve and extend calls to non-pastoral called worker candidates. Currently, the congregation must hold a full congregational meeting to vote and approve every call extended to a non-pastoral candidate. With the ever-increasing rise in the number of non-pastoral called workers, this process has become burdensome and inefficient. Also, concerns have been raised that the Church may lose qualified candidates due to delays involved in the current lengthy process. Finally, under the proposed amendments, the congregation would still retain the power remove any called worker for cause and, as provided in Article 5 of the Constitution, to review, revise and revoke any power delegated to the LLB, if the congregation disagrees with the LLB's decision.*

***This Amendment passed during the 11/1/2022 Congregation meeting and passed District review. It passed LLB vote on 3/27/2023. It is ready for a second vote by the Congregation on 11/19/2023.***

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 4C: RECOMMENDED BY  
DISTRICT**

**Christ Lutheran Church Constitutional Amendment To Add  
“Treasurer” As an Office of the Congregation  
To Comply with State Law**

1	<b>PROPOSED RESOLUTION #4C</b>	
2		<b>To Add “Treasurer” As an Office of Congregation to Comply</b>
3		<b>With State Law</b>
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5	WHEREAS,	The current Constitution does not list “Treasurer” as an officer
6		of the Congregation; and
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8	WHEREAS,	State law requires non-profit religious corporations to list a treasurer
9		as an officer of the Congregation; and
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11	WHEREAS,	The Nebraska District of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod
12		has recommended this change, therefore, be it
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14	RESOLVED,	That the Christ Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska congregation
15		members approve the following proposed amendment to the Constitution
16		as marked in the following version:
17		
18	RESTATED AND AMENDED (11/28/2000) CONSTITUTION OF	
19	CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	
20	ARTICLE 5: ORGANIZATION	
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22	C.	Officers.
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24		The officers of the Congregation shall consist of the Chair, the Vice-Chair,
25		and the Secretary, and the Treasurer.

*Reasons for these proposed amendments: This amendment is proposed to add the official office of Treasurer to comply with state law.*

*LCMS: Article 5.C.: State law requires the congregation (a non-profit religious corporation) to list a "Treasurer" as an officer of the congregation.*

***This resolution passed LLB on 3/27/2023. It is ready to submit to Congregation for a first vote at the 11/19/2023 meeting. It will require a second vote.***

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 5C: RECOMMENDED BY  
DISTRICT**

**Christ Lutheran Church Constitutional Amendment To Amend  
Language in Article 11.B**

1	<b>PROPOSED RESOLUTION #5C</b>	
2		<b>To Amend Language in Article 11.B</b>
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4	WHEREAS,	Nothing is legally irrevocable or unalterable; and
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6	WHEREAS,	The Nebraska District of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod
7		has recommended this change, therefore, be it
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9	<i>RESOLVED,</i>	That the Christ Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska congregation
10		members approve the following proposed amendment to the Constitution
11		as marked in the following version:
12		
13	RESTATED AND AMENDED (11/28/2000) CONSTITUTION OF	
14	CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	
15	ARTICLE 11: AMENDMENTS	
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17	B.	<u>Amendments to</u> Articles 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 11.B <del>are hereby made</del>
18		<del>irrevocable and unalterable</del> <u>shall not alter or destroy their essential</u>
19		<u>meaning.</u>
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*LCMS Suggestion: Article 11.B: Legally speaking, nothing is "irrevocable" or "unalterable." It is recommended to amend this article to read, "Amendments to Articles 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 11.B shall not alter or destroy their essential meaning."*

***This was passed by the LLB on 3/27/2023. It is ready to submit to Congregation for a first vote at the 11/19/2023 meeting and will require a second vote to ratify.***