

CANON CHANGE BACKGROUNDER

Addition to Canon 1.1 – Composition of Synod

In 2001, the Anglican Church of Canada entered into a full communion relationship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, creating the possibility of joint Anglican-Lutheran congregations. The diocese currently has one established ministry, All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church in Guelph, and another is in the process of being established, Burlington Anglican Lutheran Church. The governance of these entities is unique, overseen by a non-profit corporation and constitution, with unique licensing considerations. This canon is proposed in order to regularize the process for membership in our Synod for joint Anglican-Lutheran congregations in Niagara.

PROPOSED ADDITION

THAT the following section be added to Canon 1.1 (1):

(12) The rostered clergy, duly appointed, and the lay representatives, duly elected, of any joint Anglican-Lutheran congregations recognized by the Bishop of Niagara. For the purposes of this section the number of lay representatives to be elected shall be determined in accordance with Canon 4.1 (17(b)).