

**Revision Summary for Constitution Ratification November 2020
CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS AND CONTINUING RESOLUTIONS**

Chapter	Constitution Provision	Description of Change
General references	Most provisions	Pastor and Clergy <i>replaced with</i> Minister of Word and Sacrament or Rostered Minister
General references	All provisions	Associates in ministry, deaconesses and diaconal ministers <i>replaced with</i> Minister of Word and Service
General references	All provisions	Synodical <i>replaced with</i> Synod
3. Nature of Church	C3.02	New provision regarding confession
3. Nature of Church	C3.04	New provision regarding participation in Lutheran World Federation
6. Church Affiliation	C6.04d	New provision regarding church property if affiliation is terminated
6. Church Affiliation	C6.05	Revised provisions regarding logistics of terminating ELCA affiliation
7. Property Ownership	C7.03 & C7.04	Revised provisions regarding voting guidance as it relates to transferring to another Lutheran church body or to become independent or relate to a non-Lutheran church body
8. Membership	C8.02	Revised provisions regarding voting member rights and new provision defining seasonal members
8. Membership	C8.05	Revised provisions regarding membership termination related to disciplinary action and inactivity
9. Rostered Minister	C9.03.b.6	New provision for minister to encourage adherence to covenantal relationship with this church (ELCA)
9. Rostered Minister	C9.05	Revised and new provisions related to termination of mutual relationship between pastor and congregation
9. Rostered Minister	C09.21-31	New provisions for calling a deacon (minister of Word and Service)
10. Congregation Meeting	C10.03	Revised provision regarding notice of all meetings by mail or electronic means as permitted by state law.
12. Congregation Council	C12.13	New provision regarding holding meetings remotely
15. Discipline of Members and Adjudication	C15	Revised and new provisions
16. Amendments and 17. Bylaws	C16 and C17	Revised provisions regarding clarity of voting stipulations and constitutional amendment recommendations
18. Continuing Resolutions	C18.03	New provision for adopted or amended continuing resolutions to be sent to synod