

**Changes proposed to the Constitution and By-Laws of St. Luke Lutheran Church, Ottawa (August 1992)
at October 4, 2018 Constitution Meeting – Draft for review**

Changes to the Constitution			
Article	Current Wording	Revised Wording	Change
XII Property Rights	If at any time a separation should take place on account of doctrine, or any other reason, the property of the congregation and all benefits therewith connected shall remain with those voting members who continue to adhere in confessions and practice to Article III of this Constitution, and who are members of the East District of the Lutheran Church - Canada. In the event the congregation should totally disband, the property and all rights connected therewith shall be transferred to the East District of the Lutheran Church - Canada.	If at any time a separation should take place on account of doctrine, or any other reason, the property of the congregation and all benefits therewith connected shall remain with those voting members who continue to adhere in confessions and practice to Article III of this Constitution, and who are members of the Lutheran Church - Canada. In the event the congregation should totally disband, the property and all rights connected therewith shall be transferred to the Lutheran Church - Canada.	Further to Lutheran Church – Canada (LCC) Restructuring, delete the words “the East District of the”; so references to “the East District of the Lutheran Church – Canada” become “the Lutheran Church – Canada”
XIII Synodical Membership; sub-article A	This congregation shall hold membership in the Lutheran Church - Canada. It shall send its pastor(s), called worker(s) and lay delegate to the District Convention of the Synod.	This congregation shall hold membership in the Lutheran Church - Canada. It shall send its pastor(s), called worker(s) and lay delegate to the Convention of the Synod.	Further to LCC Restructuring, delete the word “District”; so “District Convention” becomes “Convention”
Changes to the By-Laws			
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III Calling of Pastors, Sub-article III A. Nominations	At a meeting of the Voters' Assembly properly convened, the list of candidates received from the District President shall be presented to the Voters' Assembly.	At a meeting of the Voters' Assembly properly convened, the list of candidates received from the Regional Pastor shall be presented to the Voters' Assembly.	Further to LCC Restructuring, replace “District President” with “Regional Pastor”

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VIII Duties of Officers, Sub-article VIII B. The Trustees shall:	1. on behalf of the congregation and in accordance with specific authorizations of the congregation passed at general meetings of the congregation from time to time negotiate the purchase, sale, leasing or mortgaging of real property and for this purpose are empowered to enter into all necessary agreements and execute all necessary deeds, mortgages, leases and other instruments with respect to real property of the congregation and may receive deeds to real property in their name as Trustees on behalf of the congregation in a form complying with the provisions of the Religious Institutions Act of Ontario and they and their successors in office shall hold such real property from time to time on behalf of the congregation.	1. on behalf of the congregation and in accordance with specific authorizations of the congregation passed at general meetings of the congregation from time to time negotiate the purchase, sale, leasing or mortgaging of real property and for this purpose are empowered to enter into all necessary agreements and execute all necessary deeds, mortgages, leases and other instruments with respect to real property of the congregation and may receive deeds to real property in their name as Trustees on behalf of the congregation in a form complying with the provisions of the Religious Organizations' Lands Act of Ontario and they and their successors in office shall hold such real property from time to time on behalf of the congregation.	Replace "Religious Institutions Act" with "Religious Organizations' Lands Act" which repealed the Religious Institutions Act in 1979.
IX Committees			
Sub-article IX A. Evangelism Committee	8. sponsor programs that have been proposed at Synod, District, and Circuit levels pertaining to Evangelism;	8. sponsor programs that have been proposed at Synod, Region, and Circuit levels pertaining to Evangelism;	Further to LCC Restructuring, replace "District" with "Region"

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Sub-article IX C. Stewardship Committee	<p>4. work in close co-operation with the Circuit and District stewardship committees, and encourage larger attendance at circuit meetings;</p> <p>5. fully inform the members of their local congregation's program and opportunities to lengthen their outreach into all the world through District and Synod;</p>	<p>4. work in close co-operation with the Circuit stewardship committees, and encourage larger attendance at circuit meetings;</p> <p>5. fully inform the members of their local congregation's program and opportunities to lengthen their outreach into all the world through Synod;</p>	Further to LCC Restructuring, delete "and District"