

LEDGEROCK COMMUNITY CHURCH CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. ORGANIZATION

1. NAME: The name of this church shall be the LedgeRock Community Church of Ely, Minnesota.
2. AFFILIATION: This church shall maintain affiliation with Converge Worldwide and Converge North Central.
3. LOCATION: LedgeRock Community Church is located at 1515 East Camp Street, Ely, MN 55731.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

This church exists as a community of Christians dedicated to the glorification of God through

- Worship and the administration of Baptism and the Lord's Supper.
- Proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ in all the world.
- Instruction of believers in matters pertaining to the Christian life.
- Ministry to the needs of people.
- Mutual encouragement of members in living a full Christian life consistent with the will of God as revealed in the Scriptures.

ARTICLE III. GOVERNMENT

SECTION 1. POLITY

Recognizing Jesus Christ as the only head of the Church, this congregation shall seek to ascertain and to obey the will of our Lord in all matters of faith and of practice.

SECTION 2. GOVERNANCE

A. Leadership Team

The Leadership Team will be the governance authority of the affairs of the church in accordance with the by-laws. Procedure for selection of Leaders are explained in the by-laws, Article I, Section 2. The Leadership Team is vested with representing the congregation in the affairs of the church in accordance with the by-laws.

B. Members of the Congregation

The members shall submit to guidance and decisions of the Leadership Team. Additionally, the members are also responsible to vote on:

- Approving the call of a pastoral candidate
- The selection of Leadership Team members
- The sale or acquisition of real estate
- Any proposed changes to the church constitution or by-laws

Voting shall be conducted according to the church by-laws.

SECTION 3. LIABILITY

No team or committee member appointed and/or elected by this church shall be personally or individually liable for any error or mistake, act or omission for or on behalf of this church, occurring within the scope of his or her duty, excepting only for his or her willful misconduct or violation of law.

SECTION 4. FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the church shall begin on the first day of January and close on the last day of December.

ARTICLE IV. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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A person desiring to unite with this church who is in agreement with the LedgeRock Community Church affirmation of faith and covenant shall meet with the Leadership Team for consultation. In every case, candidates for membership shall give satisfactory evidence of faith in Jesus Christ as personal Savior and Lord, attend LedgeRock membership class, and have participated in believers' baptism by immersion. Church membership will be granted upon recommendation and acted upon by the Leadership Team. Any person who joins another church may have dual membership after meeting with and decided by the Leadership Team.

SECTION 2. RESPONSIBILITIES AND RIGHTS

- A. Every member of the church is expected to attend its meetings, to work for its growth, to fittingly represent the Lord and church in the community, and to contribute regularly and according to his or her ability.
- B. Members shall strive with God's help to keep their church obligations. They shall hold their Pastor and leadership in esteem, pray for them, and work with them in carrying out the program of the church. They shall endeavor to preserve the unity of the church and, if at any time they find themselves opposed to the affirmation of faith and covenant of this church, they shall not seek to disrupt its fellowship but shall quietly withdraw from its membership.
- C. All members in good standing shall have equal rights. Members of this church have no property rights and upon termination of membership shall be entitled to no interest in the assets.

SECTION 3. DISMISSAL OF MEMBERS

Any member desiring to end his or her membership shall be dismissed upon written request to the Leadership Team. A letter of commendation, if so requested, may accompany such dismissal. Dismissal shall be in effect after approval by the Leadership Team.

SECTION 4. DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS

Members who persist in living unbiblical lives and who habitually neglect their church obligations may be removed from membership. The Leadership Team shall seek to meet with all such persons in order to restore them to fellowship. Failing to see satisfactory evidence of repentance followed by change, the Leadership Team shall remove the individual from membership.

In all cases of grievances between members, the offenders shall be dealt with in accordance with the rules set forth in Matthew 18:15-20. No public charge shall be made until such reconciliation has been attempted. Charges shall be written and shall be submitted to the Leadership Team for further action.

ARTICLE V. AMENDMENTS

The Leadership Team may make proposals for amendments to this constitution when deemed necessary. Notice and voting for such amendment shall follow the format in Article VI of the By-laws.

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