

Exhibit K.3

Proposed action: Approve the revised Constitution (Exhibit K.2) and then send to Synod Assembly for vote:

Background and Rationale:

The 2019 Churchwide Assembly updated the Model Constitution for Synods with required changes and updates. See Exhibit K.4.

Per the Synod Constitution, chapter 18, amendments to Synod Constitutions require the following process:

†S18.10. Amendments to Constitution

†S18.11. Certain sections of this constitution incorporate and record there-in required provisions of the constitution and bylaws of this church. If such provisions are amended by the Churchwide Assembly, corresponding amendments shall be introduced at once into this constitution by the secretary of this synod upon receipt of formal certification thereof from the secretary of the ELCA.

†S18.12. Whenever the secretary of the ELCA officially informs this synod that the Churchwide Assembly has amended the Constitution for Synods, this constitution may be amended to reflect any such amendment by a majority vote at any subsequent meeting of the Synod Assembly without presentation at a prior Synod Assembly. An amendment that is identical to a provision of the Constitution for Synods shall be deemed to have been ratified upon its adoption by this synod. The Church Council, through the secretary of this church, shall be given prompt notification of its adoption.