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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Trinity United Methodist Church of Lake City, Florida, Inc.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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\*\*\*\*\*78.75 \*\*\*\*\*78.75

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

☐ \$70.00  
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee &  
Certificate of  
Status

☒ \$78.75  
Filing Fee  
& Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50  
Filing Fee,  
Certified Copy  
& Certificate

**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

FROM: Merrill C. Tunsil  
Name (Printed or typed)  
P.O. Box 3508  
Address  
Lake City, FL 32056  
City, State & Zip  
386.752.0625  
Daytime Telephone number

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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

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TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

October 31, 2001

MERRILL C. TUNSIL  
POST OFFICE BOX 3508  
LAKE CITY, FL 32056

SUBJECT: TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LAKE CITY,  
FLORIDA, INC.  
Ref. Number: W01000025165

We have received your document for TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6973.

Claretha Golden  
Document Specialist  
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, INC.

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The undersigned, all of whom are citizens of the United States, desiring to form a corporation, not for profit, under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do hereby certify:

**FIRST:** The name of said corporation shall be Trinity United Methodist Church of Lake City, Florida, Inc.

**SECOND:** The place where the principal office of the corporation is to be located is 310 Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive, Lake City, Columbia County, Florida and its mailing address is P.O. Box 3508, Lake City, FL 32056

**THIRD:** The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is formed are as more fully set forth in the *Discipline* of the United Methodist Church or as may hereafter, from time to time, be amended including:

(a) The promotion of the Christian religion through the preaching of the Word of God, the administration of the sacraments, ordinances, and other means of grace, the maintenance of worship, the edification of believers, the evangelization of the world, and the promotion of the missionary and benevolence causes.

(b) Receiving, holding, and disbursing gifts, bequests, and funds arising from all sources.

(c) Acquiring, owning, and maintaining real estate, buildings and other property real or personal, incidental, necessary, or proper to carry out said objects.

(d) Doing of any and all things necessary or incident to the accomplishment of such purposes.

(e) All of the above shall be in accordance with the Doctrines, Laws, Usages, *Discipline*, and Ministerial appointments of The United Methodist Church.

**FOURTH:** The following persons shall serve as the initial trustees of said corporation and shall serve as provided in the *Discipline* of the United Methodist Church:

Marlowe A. Robinson      505 W. Jefferson St.  
Lake City, FL 32055

Betty W. Jefferson      1310 Center St.  
Lake City, FL 32055

Timothy Morgan	813 Bailey St. Lake City, FL 32055
Lester McKellum	802 W. North St. Lake City, FL 32055
Michel D. Burgess	1065 W. Jefferson St. Lake City, FL 32055
Rosa L. Curinton	Rt. 9, Box 2076 Lake City, FL 32024
Myrtle L. Merrell	3215 Greg St. Lake City, FL 32025
Mark L. Philpot	Rt. 1, Box 249 Lake City, FL 32055
Walter G. Owens	Rt. 8, Box 462 Lake City, FL 32055

The method of electing these trustees or directors shall be as set forth in the bylaws out of the Discipline.

**FIFTH:** Upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation of Trinity United Methodist Church of Lake City, Florida, Inc., the society or association now known as Trinity United Methodist Church, an unincorporated group not for profit, and the members of such society or association shall be members of such corporation, and all the rights, privileges, immunities, powers, franchises, authority, property, and obligations of such unincorporated society of association shall thereupon pass to, vest in, and be the rights, privileges, immunities, powers, franchises, authority, property, and obligations of Trinity United Methodist Church of Lake City, Florida, Inc., a corporation not for profit.

**SIXTH:** The corporation shall support the Doctrine of The United Methodist Church and all its property, both real and personal, shall be subject to the *Discipline*, Laws, Usages, and Ministerial appointments of The United Methodist Church as are now or shall be, from time to time, established, made, and declared by the lawful authority of the said church.

**SEVENTH:** The corporation, in conformity with the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church, shall have the power to receive, acquire, and hold title, in trust or otherwise, to real and personal property, and to improve, encumber, lease, sell, convey, and dispose such property.

**EIGHTH:** Subject to the provisions of the *Discipline*, the corporation shall have the power to erect and maintain buildings for the worship of God, for training in Christian faith and conduct, and for Christian social intercourse, and to purchase, lease, and/or rent

and otherwise acquire or build and maintain residences for the use and occupancy of its ministers.

**NINTH:** The business of this corporation shall be conducted in conformity with the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church as the same now exists or as may hereafter be amended, changed, or modified, and the bylaws of the corporation shall include the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church and no bylaws shall be adopted inconsistent with the provisions of said *Discipline*.

In addition to the powers and duties granted to this corporation by the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church, the corporation assumes for itself all the rights, powers and privileges and immunities which are now, and which may be during the existence thereof be conferred by law upon corporation with a similar character, provided the same are not inconsistent with said *Discipline*. All amendments, bylaws, and regulations of this corporation shall at all times be in conformity with the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church.

But notwithstanding the above, however, at no time shall any of the amendments, bylaws, or regulations of the corporation be prohibited by or in conflict with the nonprofit corporate laws of the State of Florida.

**TENTH:** The members of the corporation shall mean the membership of the corporation and shall be composed of such persons (ministerial and lay) as from time to time shall be defined in accordance with the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church, and such members thereof shall have only such voting and other rights as now exist or may hereafter be granted by the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church.

**ELEVENTH:** If for any reason the corporation shall be abandoned, discontinued, or cease to exist as a legal entity and its charter shall expire or be terminated, the title to all its property both real and personal shall be vested and be the property of the Florida annual conference of The United Methodist Church, pursuant to said *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church, or to an organization qualified under § 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue code of the United States.

**TWELFTH: CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE:** PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 617.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the corporation is:

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, INC.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:


MERRILL C. TUNSIL  
505 E. DUVAL ST.  
P.O. BOX 2113  
LAKE CITY, FL 32056-2113

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*Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with provisions of all statute relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.*

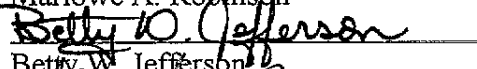
  
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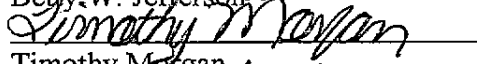
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Date


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names, this 26<sup>th</sup>  
day of October, 2001.

INCORPORATORS

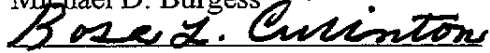
  
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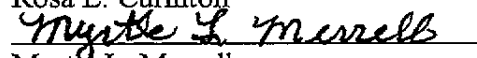
  
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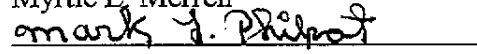
  
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Done at Lake City, Florida  
October 26, 2001