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

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OF SOUTHWEST FLURIDA INC.

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA INC.

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 617.0202, F.S., (NOT FOR PROFIT)

ARTICLE I: The name of the corporation shall be Trinity Lutheran Church of Southwest Florida Inc.

ARTICLE II: The principal place of business address of the corporation shall be:

31 Chailett Road, Suite 1, Rotonda West, FL 33947.

The mailing address of the corporation shall be:

13435 S. McCall Road, #316, Port Charlotte, FL 33981

ARTICLE III: The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious and religious-educational purposes, including for in-kind purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code which governs non-profit corporations.

ARTICLE IV: No part of any earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, officers, or other private persons for any reason not authorized by the Officers of the corporation, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable, measurable and verifiable competitive compensation for services rendered to the corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof. No substantial part of the activities of Trinity Lutheran Church of Southwest Florida Inc. shall be dedicated to, or otherwise attempt to influence United States State or Federal legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permissible (A) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or (B) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 1: 70(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE V: The Officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the Members of this Corporation as defined by process in the By-laws of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI: Officers of the corporation at the time of formation whose name(s) and address(es) are as follows:

President: Ty Schulte, 467 Viceroy Terrace, Port Charlotte, FL 33954.

Vice President: Ed Sheahan, 9146 Pinehaven Way, Englewood, FL 34224.

Treasurer: Judy Murphy, 11440 Claggett Avenue, Port Charlotte, FL 33981

Secretary: Tricia Hopkins, 6144 Roberta Drive, Englewood, FL 34224.

ARTICLE VII: This corporation shall have perpetual existance.

<u>ARTICLE VIII:</u> This corporation shall issue no capital stock and shall be composed of members rather than stockholders.

ARTICLE IX: The categories of membership, qualifications for membership and the manner of admission shall be as set forth in and regulated by the By-laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE X: Members of the Corporation will have such voting rights as are defined in the By-laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XI: Neither the members nor the Officers of the Corporation shall be liable for the debts of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XII: The name and address of the registered agent of this corporation is: Sharon L. Johnson, 7427 Regina Drive, Englewood, FL 34224.

ARTICLE XIII: The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is: Ty Schulte, 467 Viceroy Terrace, Port Charlotte, FL 33954.

ARTICLE XIV: These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any time in the manner provided by the laws adherent to the jurisdiction of the State of Florida. Every amendment shall be approved by the Officers of the Corporation, proposed by them to the voting members, and approved at a members meeting by a quorum of the Members as defined by the By-laws of the corporation.

ARTICLE XV: The Corporation shall indemnify an officer of the Corporation, who was wholly successful in the defense of any proceeding(s) to which the officer was a party to, or because the officer is or was an officer of the Corporation, against reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by the officer in connection with said proceeding(s). The Corporation may indemnify an individual made a party to a

proceeding(s) because the individual is or was an officer, employee or agent of the corporation, against liability if authorized in the specific case, after determination in the manner required by the officers, that indemnification of the officer, employee or agent, is permissible in the circumstances because the officer, employee or agent has met the standard of conduct set forth by the officers, employees and agents of the Corporation. Indemnification shall apply when such persons are serving at the Corporation's request while an officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee or agent of another foreign or domestic corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise, whether or not for profit, as well as in their official capacity with the Corporation. The Corporation also may pay for or reimburse the reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by an officer, employee or agent of the Corporation who is a party to a proceeding in advance of final disposition of the proceeding. The Corporation also may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of an individual arising from the individual's status as an officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, whether or not the Corporation would have power to indemnify the individual against the same liability under the law.

All references in these Articles of Incorporation are deemed to include any amendment or successor thereto. Nothing contained in these Articles of Incorporation shall limit or preclude the exercise of any right relating to indemnification or advance of attorney fees and expenses to any person who is or was an officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or the ability of the Corporation otherwise to indemnify or advance expenses to any such person by contact or in any other manner. If any word, clause or sentence of the foregoing provisions regarding indemnification or advancement of the attorney fees or expenses shall be held invalid as contrary to law or public policy, it shall be severable and the provisions remaining shall not be otherwise affected. All references in these Articles of Incorporation to "officer", "employee" and "agent" shall include the heirs, estates, administrators, executors and personal representatives of such persons.

ARTICLE XVI: The Corporation agrees that it will never institute any action or suit at law or in equity against any officer of the Corporation, nor institute, prosecute, or in any way aid in the institution or prosecution of any claim, demand, action or cause of action for damages, costs, loss of services, expenses or compensation for or on account of any damage, loss or injury to person or property, or both, whether developed or undeveloped, resulting or to result, known or unknown, past, present, or future, arising out of an officer of the corporation's service to the Corporation.

ARTICLE XVII: Upon dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or so disposed of shall be disposed of by Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal

officer of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Sharon L. Johnson, Registered Agent

Date

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.

Ty Schulte, Incorporator

Date

12-15-15

