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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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CAPE CORAL, FL 33904

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR

CAPE CORAL FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, INC.

The undersigned incorporation, for the purpose of forming a Florida not-for-profit Corporation, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation.

#### Article I: Name

The name of the corporation shall be Cape Coral First Methodist Church, Inc.

#### Article II: Principle place of business address & mailing address

4118 Coronado Parkway Cape Coral, FL 33904

#### Article III: Duration

The corporation shall be deemed to exist in perpetuity

#### Article IV: Purpose

The purpose for which the corporation is formed is:

The corporation is organized and shall be operated for community religious activities and outreach purposes within the meaning of Section 501(C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended.

## Article V: Membership

The corporation shall have Members which have voting rights in the general church business meetings. Qualifications to become a member are specified with the "Bylaws" which defines specific roles and responsibilities and the process required to become and sustain member status.

#### Article VI: Appointment of Officers & Directors

The process for appointment to all the church leadership roles is provided for in the Cape Coral First Methodist Church, Inc. bylaws. Directors shall be referred to as Board of Directors in other church documents to avoid confusion

#### Article VII: Registered Office and Agent

The registered office of the corporation in the state of Florida shall be located at 4118 Coronado Parkway, Cape Coral, FL 33904 and the initial registered agent of the corporation at such address shall be Sharon Columbo. The registered office and registered agent may be changed from time to time by the board of directors.

#### **Article VIII: Board of Directors**

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of five (5) voting laity members and the Pastor They are all voting members.

The names and addresses of the initial directors are as follows:

Title: President, Board Co-Chair: Rebecca Sandbek

5793 Cape Harbour Drive Cape Coral, FL 33914-8641

Title: Pastor, Board Co-Chair: Rinaldo Hernandez

4708 SW 17th Ave.

Cape Coral, FL 33904

Title: Treasurer: Karen Cooley

324 SE 26th St.

Cape Coral, FL 33904-2716

Title: VP: Leland Alcock 4026 SE 20<sup>th</sup> Pl. Apt C8 Cape Coral, FL 33904-8027

Title: Director: Sharon Columbo

24303 Penhollow Ct Punta Gorda, FL 33955

Title: Secretary: Lynette Zwirlein

229 SW 43rd St

Cape Coral, FL 33914-5953

The Board of Directors shall have the power to elect officers and establish committees as deemed necessary for the proper management of the corporation.

#### Article IX: Limitation of Liability

To the fullest extent permitted by law, no director or officer of the corporation shall be personally liable for monetary damages for any action taken, or any failure to take and action, as a trustee or officer.

#### Article X: Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of the corporation, its assets shall be distributed to one or more charitable, educational or religious organizations qualifying for tax-exempt status under Section 501(C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### Article XI: Amendments

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, provided that any proposed amendments are submitted to the board in writing at least two (2) days prior to the meeting at which the amendments will be considered.

#### Article XII: Indemnification

The corporation shall indemnify its directors officers, employees, and volunteers to the fullest extent permitted by law.

#### Article XIII: Nonprofit Operation

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious and educational purpose within the meaning of Section 501(C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

### Article XIV: Adoption

These Articles of Incorporation have been adopted by the incorporator on September 1, 2023.

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.

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.