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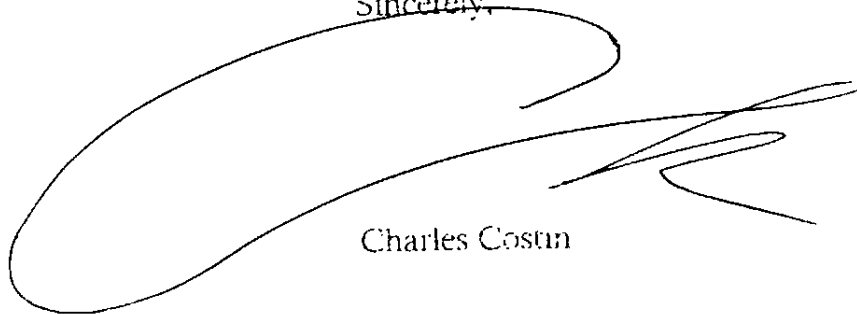
Re: CHRIST METHODIST CHURCH OF PORT ST. JOE, INC

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed is an original and one copy of the Articles of Organization for the above referred non-profit corporation. Please file the original, certify the copy, and return the certified copy to me at your earliest convenience.

I have enclosed a check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover the filing fees.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Charles Costin', written over the printed name.

Charles Costin

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Christ Methodist Church of Port St. Joe, Inc.

Church Constitution

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The articles of incorporation Christ Methodist Church of Port St. Joe, Inc. Incorporated are as follows.

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this corporation is Christ Methodist Church of Port St. Joe, Inc. (hereafter referred to as "CMCPSJ").

ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE ADDRESS

The principal place of business address of this corporation is at 3511 Garrison, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456. The mailing address is P.O. Box 34, Port St. Joe, Florida 32457. The registered agent of this corporation is set forth in Article VI below.

ARTICLE III – TERM & PURPOSE

This corporation shall have perpetual existence and its commencement shall be effective from date of filing.

CMCPSJ is a nonprofit religious corporation. It is organized as a local Methodist Church separate, distinct, and independent from the United Methodist Church. It is exclusively for religious purposes, and declares itself and all of its property to not be subject to the laws, usages and ministerial appointments of the United Methodist Church.

The Corporation is to be operated exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, trustees, officers, or private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth above. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of its charter, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (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 170 (C) (2) of the Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.

ARTICLE IV-DIRECTORS/BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Directors of CMCP SJ shall be the Board of Trustees/Elders who shall be elected in accordance with the By-laws adopted by CMCP SJ.

ARTICLE V-NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The names and addresses of the initial Board of Trustees/Elders and their respective offices, if any, are as follows:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Office</u> |
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| Jim Terry 210 Gautier Memorial Lane Port St. Joe, FL 32456 | |
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| George W. Duren 100 Dupont Drive Port St. Joe, FL 32456 | |
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| Hershel Wiley 1912 Forest Park Avenue Port St. Joe, FL 32456 | |
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| Tom Buttram 211 7 th Street Port St. Joe, FL 32456 | ... |
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| Diane Buttram 211 7 th Street Port St. Joe, FL 32456 | |
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ARTICLE VI-REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent is George W. Duren and his address is 100 Dupont Drive, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456.

ARTICLE VII-INCORPORATOR

The name and addresses of the incorporators are as follows:

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| Jim Terry 210 Gautier Drive Port St. Joe, FL 32456 | George W. Duren 100 Dupont Drive Port St. Joe, FL 32456 |
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ARTICLE VIII – CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

The corporation shall have members as may be determined in the bylaws of CMCP SJ. Upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation, the members of the local First United Methodist Church of Port St. Joe, Florida who seek to transfer their membership to CMCP SJ shall be members of this corporation. Voting rights of members of the CMCP SJ are entitled to vote as set forth in the bylaws.

ARTICLE IX - POWERS

The corporation shall have all powers of a Florida corporation, not for profit as set forth in the bylaws.

In addition to the powers and duties granted in said bylaws, CMCP SJ 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 corporations with a similar character.

ARTICLE X - TERM

The CMCP SJ shall exist in perpetuity. If for any reason CMCP SJ shall be abandoned, discontinued, or cease to exist as a legal entity and its charter shall expire or be terminated, the title to all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs will go to causes furthering the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, in the evangelical tradition, which have qualified for exemption under Section 501 C (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. None of the assets will be distributed to any member or officer of this corporation.

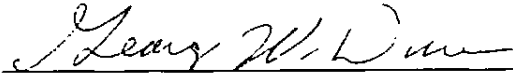
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the undersigned subscribing incorporator has hereunto set his hand and seal this 17th day of August, 2024, for the purpose of forming this Corporation, not for profit, under the laws of the State of Florida and I hereby make and file in the office of the Secretary of State, State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation and certify that the facts herein stated are true.


JIM TERRY, Incorporator


GEORGE W. DUREN, Incorporator

HAVING BEEN named as Registered Agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this

capacity and agree to comply with the provision of said act relative to keeping open said office.

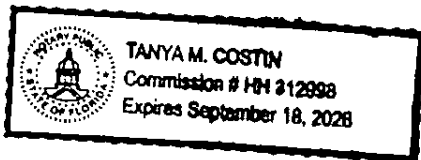



George W. Duren, Registered Agent
100 Dupont Drive
Port St. Joe, FL 32456

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF GULF

BEFORE ME personally appeared **JIM TERRY and GEORGE W. DUREN** to me well known to be the individual described and who executed the same for the purposes therein expressed. I submit this document and affirm that the facts 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 Section 817.155, Florida Statutes.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this ^{15th} ~~17th~~ day of August, 2024




Notary Public
My Commission Expires:

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