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**Northeastern Region of the Christian Church**

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The Northeastern Region of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) seeks to be faithful in our ministry as we live out and live into what it means to be a Faithful and Loving Regional Church. In addition to our congregations we are home to the Chautauqua Disciples ministry. Below are three marks of the ethos of this important region of our church.

The regional church extends itself **pastorally** as we seek to present a whole ministry to the whole world. We have one commission on ministry that expresses itself in three manifestations (3 in 1). Our ministry is overseen by competent and caring commissioners in New England, Metro New York City, and in Western New York. The commission is growing in excellence as we receive, care for and authorize members of the community of the baptized for ordination and commissioning. Standing is reviewed regularly in our corporate life. The Northeastern region is home to many chaplains and theologians in addition to our local church pastors. This diversity of practice adds to our already beautiful God given diversity and we receive it as a gift.

The regional church seeks to live **responsibly and carefully** in its life of stewardship and holy administration of the body and its resources. We communicate regularly through our electronic newsletter and facebook page. The region has a most excellent regional board that is marked by diversity and deep competency. We gathered in a regional assembly where we connected with one another and with general church ministries. We are working to grow and establish appropriate financial reserves and endowments through our All Saints Fund ministry. We have instituted a new granting ministry for congregations engaged in youth ministry and for those in need of upgrading their technological reach. We have a website that communicates our fiscal life in an effort to promote transparency,

honesty and integrity. Our budget is balanced and we increased our financial resources in 2020.

The regional church seeks to be a **loving and caring** congregation of the broader community of the baptized. This has proven to be important to us as our region has been deeply marked by the affects of COVID 19. We have lost many members. We have also sought to live into lives of love in a time of evil made manifest in racism. The viruses of our time have called us together to pray with and for our family and world and to seek to understand one another more fully.

God continues to bless us and call us to a rich and fruitful regional church life.

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