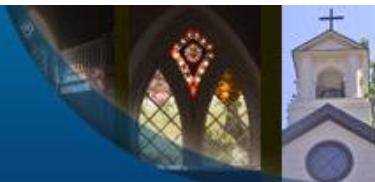


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Historic Churches in the
Rappahannock Region

October 18, 2016

A letter from Region One to the Rector and Committee responsible for the Budget:

Budget season, along with the return to the program year, is a ritual of fall in our churches. This is a good thing in that it allows Region One to explain our purpose and mission.

You are part of us – the 19 Episcopal Churches from Westmoreland County in the east to the foothills of the Appalachians in the west, about 100 miles. We are all part of the Diocese of Virginia.

I am writing today urging you to add a pledge for Region One to your 2017 church budget.

Why support Region One?

Region One strives to support local churches in their ministries and to be a conduit for sharing information and resources across churches in our Region and between the Region and the Diocese. By collaborating in ministry, groups of Region One churches serve even more of their neighbors in Christ's name.

Region One Council meetings provide a great opportunity to network and build relationships. About 20-30 clergy, lay representatives, and guests come together four times a year to discuss mission and ministry in our churches, Region, and Diocese. It is a great place to explore new ideas and develop contacts for your churches.

Region One is supported by contributions from the 19 Episcopal Churches within the region. In turn, we support missions, youth ministry, and emergency needs within the local churches.

Information about Region One is readily available on our website: <http://regionone.thediocese.net>. Our proposed 2017 budget can be accessed directly at this link, http://regionone.thediocese.net/Customer-Content/regionone/CMS/files/Meeting_documents/2016/Sept/2017_Proposed_Budget.pdf. Please know that we will be good stewards of these resources and use them to help all of the churches in our Region.

I have enclosed a pledge card with this letter. You don't have to pay your pledge all at once. Many churches pay on a monthly or quarterly basis. However you decide to pay your pledge, please return the card by December 15 at the latest and earlier if possible.

We are excited about having your church involved in Regional ministry next year. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

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Region One Pledge Form for 2017

October 16, 2016

The Region One Council takes your faithful pledge for regional ministry and uses it to support Region One churches. The Region One Mission Fund, Youth Fund, Congregation Emergency Fund, and Sabbatical Fund are open to all of the churches in our region. Please visit the Region One website to find out how to apply for one of these funds (http://regionone.thediocese.net/Forms_1/) or send an email to region1virginia@gmail.com.

So that the Region One Council can finalize its 2017 budget and make plans for regional ministry, please return this form by **December 15, 2016** to:

Region One Council
c/o Jack Gaines
10007 Altamont Circle
Fredericksburg, VA 22408

2017 Pledge Information

Church Name _____

Your Name _____

Total 2017 Pledge _____

To be paid (*circle one*):

- A. In one lump sum during the month of _____
- B. Monthly
- C. Quarterly
- D. Custom schedule _____