

The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration

RESOLUTION ON IMMIGRATION

WHEREAS Several of the immigration policies of the United States Government have resulted in family separations, family detentions, detention of individual immigrants thereby causing trauma to refugees and asylum seekers: and

WHEREAS Xenophobia, bigotry and fear mongering have been extant among the media, public figures and politicians: and

WHEREAS These policies and behaviors are terribly destructive to our citizenry, our governance and our communities thereby requiring a response by responsible religious, societal, governmental and other organizations, now therefore be it

RESOLVED by the Vestry of The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration in regular meeting assembled on the 16th of September, 2018, that this congregation will:

- Be involved in actively combatting misinformation that contributes to xenophobia and fear mongering;
- Will work to shed light on the systemic issues that lead to the oppression of immigrants, asylum seekers and refugees in the United States;
- Will promote positive responses to the needs of immigrants within our congregation and our community;
- Will promote and sponsor activities by providing a venue for and soliciting speakers for community events on the subject of immigration;
- Will offer financial support, as appropriate, to organizations engaged in similar activities; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution will remain in effect until rescinded by action of a future vestry of The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration.

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