

*Bridgewater, January 30th, 1864.*

We the members of the Society or congregation known by the name of Lutheran, residing at Bridgewater and the adjacent districts, in the County of Lunenburg have convened this day and appointed Rev. D. F. Hutchinson, Chairman, and W. R. Wentzel, Secretary, of this meeting, and agreeably to the forms, notices, and requirements of this Province of Nova Scotia respecting religious societies or congregations, have upon the vote of two thirds of its members present, qualified agreeably to and in conformity with Chap. 28 of the Acts of this Province for the year 1860, passed the following resolutions, viz.

That we constitute ourselves a religious Society or congregation settled in Bridgewater and its vicinity, and that we adopt as the proper name and designation of our congregation, and declare that the same shall henceforth be known and designated as the congregation of the Church of St. Paul in Bridgewater, and that we and every one of us in our said Church, Society, or Congregation, do recognize, adopt, stand connected with, and do principally observe the doctrines, rules, ceremonies, belief, and religious observances of the church, connexion, or persuasion of Christians known and denominated as EVANGELICAL LUTHERANS, and adopt as the symbol of our faith the UNALTERED AUGSBURGH CONFESSION.

And it is further resolved that the following Constitution and Bye-laws be observed and established for the government of this Society.