

XI. The duties of the committee shall be:—To take care of the church, and all buildings belonging to the congregation:—To attend to the repairs, insurance, cleaning, warming and lighting of the church; the providing of communion elements and furniture, and all things necessary for the decent and orderly performance of divine worship:—To see to the due support of the Minister, to arrange with him in regard to the amount of stipend, and the times and mode of payment; to sign engagements, if necessary, in name and on behalf of the congregation:—To provide ways and means for raising the amount required for the Minister's support, and the other necessary expenses of the church. For which purpose they shall have power to let the seats in the church, to fix the rents, appoint the time and manner of letting, and the times and mode of payment.

XII. The proceedings of the committee during the year shall be subject to the inspection, and to the approbation or disapprobation of the annual meeting of the congregation.

XIII. The annual meeting of the Congregation shall be held on ——. It shall be notified by public intimation, after Divine Service on the preceding Sabbath, and shall consist of all male persons above twenty-one years of age, who shall be contributors for the erection of the Church, or subscribers for the support of the ordinances of religion therein, or holders of a seat or seats therein, and not in arrears of payment. The meeting shall appoint a Chairman and Secretary from among their own number, and the proceedings shall be recorded in the Minute-book of the Committee.

XIV. At the annual meeting, the proceedings of the Committee for the past year shall be submitted for inspection, and approved of or disallowed, as shall seem proper; the accounts of revenue and expenditure, whether by the Committee or Session, shall be laid before them; two new members of Committee shall be elected; the Precentor and Church Officers for the ensuing year shall be chosen, and all business requisite for the welfare of the Congregation shall be transacted, providing that nothing be done repugnant to this constitution, or to the laws of the Church of Scotland.

XV. The Elders shall be elected for the first time, by the majority of votes of the male communicants above twenty-one years of age; or, if a roll of communicants has not been made up, then the Elders shall be chosen by the majority of votes of male persons above twenty-one years of age, residing within the bounds of the congregation, professing adherence to the Presbyterian form of worship, and their desire to join with and support this Church. The meeting to be called by public