

Resolution 2025-2: Dissolution of the Congregation of St. Cyprian's Church, New Bern

Whereas the congregation of St. Cyprian's holds a very important place in the history of New Bern, and in the history of Black Episcopal Congregations in North Carolina; and

Whereas the importance and value of St. Cyprian's history notwithstanding, membership of the parish has dwindled as demographics have changed, and membership and average Sunday attendance has dwindled, and there is no longer sufficient income to cover even the minimum needs of the parish.

Therefore, be it resolved that the congregation of St. Cyprian's Church be dissolved, and that future opportunities for the use of their buildings be explored which are consistent with the vital role that the congregation has played in the history of New Bern, and of the Diocese of East Carolina.

Adopted the 14th day of November, 2025 by the 142nd Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina.

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Secretary of Convention