Resolution #10: Provisions for the Use of Other Forms of Worship

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Resolved, that the 230th Annual Convention of the Diocese of CT submit the following resolution to the 78th General Convention of the Episcopal Church:

Resolved, the House of _________concurring that Article X of the Constitution be amended with the following sentence at the end of the second paragraph:

Provide for use of other forms for the renewal and enrichment of the common worship of this Church for such periods of time and upon such terms and conditions as General Convention may provide.

Explanation
It has been 35 years since the adoption of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer. In recent years there has been an increasing amount of liturgical experimentation in parishes across the Church.

This proposed amendment to Article X of the Constitution would create a framework for experimentation that would also ensure common prayer for the 21st century. This same proposed amendment passed the 73rd General Convention on first Reading.

How does this resolution further God’s ministry of restoration and reconciliation with all of creation:
This resolution will allow the church to be flexible in regards to developing worship that works towards creating worship experiences that build up, reconcile and restore members of the Body of Christ to one another and to all creation. Additionally, it will help refocus energy while allowing flexibility and keep us as a community of Common Prayer.

Statement of Requirements to Implement:
The will be no cost to the Episcopal Diocese of CT.