

TREC-CT 3.0 - Quick Fact Sheet

Regions (six) – replaces deaneries, effective July 1, 2016 (See map)

- Parsed by the natural boundaries of the state
- Selects one clergy and one lay person to serve on the Mission Council
- Self-determines structure and leadership
- Recruits and is served by a Missionary

- **Strength:** *Provides greater opportunity and more diversity for collaborative efforts*

Region Missionary

- Facilitates collaboration within a Region
- Accountable to Regions and to Mission Council
- Supports connections within and across ECCT

- **Strength:** *Helps Region catalyze, connect, convene, and build capability to engage God's mission in meaningful ways*

Region Convocation - Friday/Saturday dates in April, May, or June reserved for each Region

- Gathering of lay and ordained members of a Region to determine structure, select Mission Council members, consider Missionary job description
- Details of exact time, location, program, structure to be worked out between Region members and Transition Team (T3) members)

Ministry Networks – has been ongoing and continues into the future

- Defined as:
 - A collective of individuals who are engaged in God's mission through a particular ministry and
 - who are collaborating and
 - who are from more than one parish or worshiping community within ECCT
- May additionally extend to ecumenical, interfaith, and service sector organizations
- May vary in size, scope of ministry, years of service, origins
- No "vetting" required
- Nine members of various Ministry Networks to serve on Mission Council

- **Strength:** *Flexible means to recognize, support, and empower ministry of all the baptized; adds distinct perspective to governance*

Ministry Network Convocation - to be held within first six months of 2016

- Current and potential Ministry Networks
- To acknowledge active Ministry Networks
- To imagine new adventures and explore missional initiatives
- Participants can indicate desire to be considered as candidates for election to Mission Council

Mission Council – replaces Executive Council and the Missionary Society board – effective July 1, 2016

- Includes bishops and officers of ECCT (Treasurer, Chancellor, Secretary of Convention, and Secretary of the Diocese)
- Includes nine members from Ministry Networks, elected by Annual Convention
- Includes twelve members from Regions, one clergy and one lay selected by each Region
- Serves as ECCT's governing body between Annual Conventions ensuring that the decisions of the Convention are implemented and makes additional decisions as needed about our common life and our common resources
- **Strength:** *Includes new perspectives (from Ministry Networks); focus is on common life and witness*

Annual Convention

- Continues as the main governing body of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT), convening annually
- All clergy and two elected lay delegates from each parish
- Makes decisions collaboratively about our common life and our common resources

- Serves as a primary forum for missional conversations, ongoing formation, and worship