

Congregational Meeting



MACCC FALL MEETING- Saturday, October 17, 2026

The Fellowship of Gathered Believers as a Deliberative Assembly - Best Practices for Procedure & Polity

Have you ever driven home from a long, boring church board meeting thinking "what a waste of my time"? Have you ever been to a church annual meeting where everyone was confused and unsure what was being voted on? Or one where tempers flared and feelings were hurt? Have you ever thought "there's gotta be a better way"? There is! This workshop will examine the ins and outs of Parliamentary Procedure specifically as it relates to The Congregational Way, with a view toward providing practical advice on how we can have better, more efficient church and board/committee meetings.

We will examine how Congregational decisions are made, how polity is structured, and provide honest and useful feedback regarding the specifics of meetings, minutes, bylaws and other items that you can implement in your churches immediately, to lead to more efficient meetings and enhanced Congregational involvement. This will be a very simple, hands-on, practical treatment of the subject (especially helpful for moderators, clerks, pastors, and chairs); familiarity with Roberts Rules is NOT required!



Our Workshop Leader: The Rev. Tom "TC" Coronite

Rev. Tom "TC" Coronite is a long-time student of Parliamentary Procedure and Robert's Rules (RONR), beginning with his labor union days as Local President and Labor Relations Team Member in the National Air Traffic Controllers Association, and continuing his study as an active member of the RONR Official Online Forum. TC was ordained in 1987 in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston, and has been active in the MACCC since 2014, serving member churches as Pastor (Senior, Associate, Interim, Acting) and continues to provide both long and short term pulpit supply, as well as support and counsel, to member and area churches. TC has served on the MACCC Executive Committee, Ministerial Standing Committee, and currently serves as Treasurer. He lives in Weymouth with his wife, Trish, where they endeavor to keep local restaurants in business.

A minimum donation of \$20 is requested to help support MACCC programming.

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