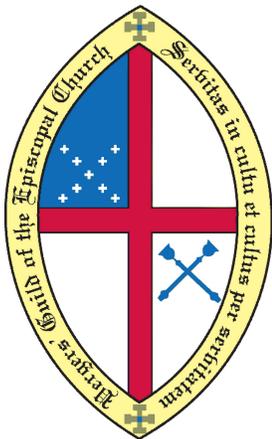


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Dear Salutation,

We are excited to announce several changes that are being made to the VGEC Training Course. As a Fellow of the VGEC, we wanted to share that information with you before we publicly announce the changes.

Over the years, we have learned that many vergers found the \$215 for the course to be cost prohibitive. Beginning on July 1, 2014, we will no longer be including a virge in the cost of the Training Course. The cost will be reduced to \$65 and the course will be delivered electronically in a PDF format. We will offer a printed course notebook through the Guild Shop at a small additional charge.

When a verger completes the course they will, in keeping with our tradition, receive a Training Course Certificate and become a "Fellow of the VGEC." At that time, they will be eligible to purchase a "Fellow's Virge" from the Guild Shop.

We will continue to emphasize that the course participant's clergy is responsible for certifying that the coursework has been successfully completed. As vergers, we work under the direction of our parish clergy, and the role of the verger can vary significantly from parish to parish. We also will continue to require each participant to submit their completed course to the VGEC Training Course Registrar for review.

Our goal is to make the course better for everyone and to allow more people to participate in the training. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Kind regards,

Scott Smith, President