

## **Guidelines for Vestry Approval of Alcohol for Events Held at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**

1. Alcohol may not be served at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church other than sacramental wine during religious services unless approved in advance by the Vestry.
2. A number of factors should be considered when approving the serving of alcohol at events, whether church-sponsored or non-church. The following is a non-inclusive list of such considerations.
  - a. What is the purpose of the event?
  - b. What beverages are to be served?
  - c. At what time of day will the event be held?
  - d. How many persons of drinking age will attend the event?
  - e. How many children will be present at the event? It may be inappropriate to serve alcohol if the number of children exceeds the number of adults, and furthermore it may be difficult to monitor the behavior of minors at larger events.
3. As part of this approval, the Vestry should consider whether a bartender with a server permit should be required and provided by the host organization.
  - a. Events of more than 15 to 20 adults of legal drinking age may warrant the presence of a bartender to verify age and monitor whether anyone should be refused further service.