

**CITY OF METHUEN**  
**METHUEN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**  
 SEARLES BUILDING, SUITE 217  
 41 PLEASANT STREET  
 METHUEN, MA 01844  
 (978) 983-8560 / Fax (978) 983-8976

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE**

Please refer to the official Historic District Commission meeting schedule for meeting dates (typically held the fourth Thursday of the month) and their associated submission deadlines.

Please submit the following, to the Department of Economic and Community Development, 41 Pleasant Street, Suite 217 by the appropriate submission deadline:

- A **\$25.00 application fee** in the form of a check payable to "City of Methuen"
- **One original and ten (10) copies—ELEVEN (11) TOTAL** of:
  - The completed application.
  - Secured to each copy of the application: Photographs, material and color samples, manufacturer's illustrations, plans and elevations, shop drawings, site or plot plan, and any other applicable exhibits needed to best inform Commissioners of your proposed actions.

**Sign applications** must include dimensions, accurate color samples (paint chips), materials, location, method of display, an image of the proposed sign at an appropriate scale in its proposed location, and an image of any existing signs. Note whether the sign is new or replaces an existing sign.

**Applications will not be accepted if incomplete, missing copies, or with unpaid fees.**

- If your application requires a public hearing (please inquire at the Department of Economic and Community Development), your application must also include:
  - A certified Historic District Commission abutter's list, obtained from the Assessor's office in Suite 103, 978-983-8530 (**\$35.00** to City of Methuen).
  - Self-address, stamped envelopes, for each of the abutters and the applicant. If the City of Methuen, 41 Pleasant Street is listed as an abutter, no stamp is required on the addressed envelope. **DO NOT INCLUDE A RETURN ADDRESS.**

Applicants, or their representatives, are expected to be present at the meeting during which their application is discussed. Otherwise, the application is subject to removal from the agenda. Application decisions may require more than one meeting.

If any change in use of occupancy or location, or increase in square footage, height, or enclosed space (including garages) is proposed, certification that a ZONING VARIANCE has been issued by the Methuen Zoning Board of Appeals is required. The Commission will NOT hold a hearing on the Application before that certification is issued.

Name of Applicant/Contact: Patti Eldred  
 Site Location of Application: 90 Broadway Methuen MA 01844  
 Business Name (or N/A): St. Andrew's Episcopal Church  
 Applicant Mailing Address: 90 Broadway Methuen, MA 01844  
 City, State, Zip: Methuen, MA 01844  
 Telephone/Fax #'s: (978) 835-0406  
 E-mail: treasurer@standrewsmethuen.org

Check type of Certificate applying for:

☒ **CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS** for work described and exhibits filed.

☐ **CERTIFICATE OF NON-APPLICABILITY** for the following reason(s):

- ☐ Not visible from public street, way, place or body of water
- ☐ Reconstruction similar to original following fire or other disaster
- ☐ Maintenance, repair, or replacement, using same design, materials, colors
- ☐ No architectural features involved
- ☐ Proposed work complies with guidelines
- ☐ Other

☐ **CERTIFICATE OF HARDSHIP**, financial or otherwise described herein and not a substantial derogation from intent and purposes of law.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WORK.** Proposed project and current site conditions:

We are painting the two front doors of the Church red, according to the Episcopal Church Color Palette (see attached). We decided to change the color to red to make a visible sign to our community that we are a place of welcome, sanctuary + refuge. We are a safe place in our community. Please see attached overview of the tradition + historical practice of red doors on an Episcopal Church. The painting will be done by our junior warden who is a parishioner of the church + responsible for our building + grounds.

Proposed Start Date: TBD Proposed Completion Date: TBD  
Name of Contractor: None - volunteer parishioner  
Contact Person: Patti Eldred - St. Andrew's Episcopal Church  
Address: 90 Broadway  
City, State, Zip: Methen, MA 01844  
License #: None  
Telephone/Fax #'s: (978) 835-0406  
E-mail: Treasurer@st.andrewsmethuen.org

Name of Architect: None  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mass. Reg. #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone/Fax #'s: 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**DOCUMENTATION ATTACHED:**

- ☒ Photographs
- ☒ Materials and/or Color Samples
- ☐ Manufacturer's Illustration
- ☐ Plans and Elevations
- ☐ Shop Drawing(s)
- ☐ Site or Plot Plan
- ☒ Abutters List
- ☒ Stamped envelopes, pre-addressed to abutters
- ☐ Other

**Failure to submit the appropriate materials, substantial information, and/or application fee will result in rejection of this application as incomplete.**

**CERTIFICATION:**

The applicant hereby certifies that this application is complete and accurate, to the best of his/her knowledge, and that no material misrepresentation is made herein.

Applicant(s): Patti Eldred 6/22/25  
Signature(s) Date  
Contractor: None \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

# The Episcopal Church Color Palette & Typography

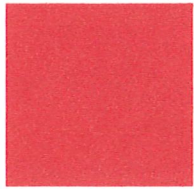
## PRIMARY COLORS



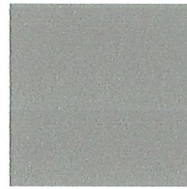
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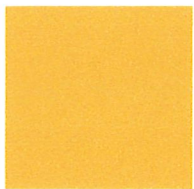
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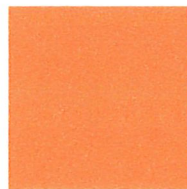
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PMS 2985 C



RGB: 241, 180, 52  
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PMS 143 C



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CMYK: 0, 62, 95, 0  
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RGB: 132, 189, 0  
HEX: 84BD00  
CMYK: 54, 0, 100, 0  
PMS 376 C



RGB: 113, 197, 232  
HEX: 71C5E8 (one)  
CMYK: 52, 0, 1, 0  
PMS 297 C

## TYPOGRAPHY (fonts):

Adobe Garamond Pro (body text and header)

Gills Sans (header — use **Semibold** instead of **bold**)

SW 6871  
Positive Red

101-C7





why are episcopal church doors red

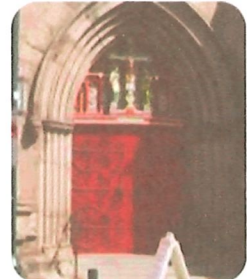


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AI Overview



Episcopal churches traditionally have red doors due to a combination of historical practice, symbolism, and theological significance. The red color is often associated with the blood of Christ, the Holy Spirit, and sanctuary.



Here's a more detailed explanation:

Symbolism:

Red is a powerful symbol in Christianity, representing the blood of Christ, His sacrifice, and the presence of the Holy Spirit. Red doors also symbolize sanctuary and refuge, offering protection and safety.

Historical Roots:

The tradition of red doors in churches, including Episcopalian churches, dates back to the Middle Ages in England, where they served as a visible sign of sanctuary for those in need of protection.

Theological Significance:

The red color can also be interpreted as a reminder of the forgiveness and reconciliation offered through Christ's sacrifice, as well as the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

Tradition:

While not universally mandated, the use of red doors in Episcopal churches is a long-standing tradition, often passed down through generations.

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