

**The Submission of the Prayer Book Society of Canada
to the
Commission on the Marriage Canon**

The Prayer Book Society of Canada (PBSC) thanks the National Church for inviting submissions on the proposed changing of the marriage canon to allow same-sex marriage.

The PBSC holds the following view, which we believe to be the constitutional and doctrinal position of the Anglican Church of Canada, following the classical understanding and theology of Christian marriage as articulated in the Book of Common Prayer and consistent with the Solemn Declaration of 1893; namely, that the catholic and apostolic definition of marriage is the lifelong and exclusive union of one man and one woman.

(Submitted by the Rev'd Gordon R. Maitland, National Chairperson of the PBSC, on behalf of the Society)