

## **St. Martin's Episcopal Church Policy Regarding the Serving of Alcohol**

The purpose for establishing an alcohol policy for St. Martin's Episcopal Church of Ellisville is to provide consistent and uniform expectations for the serving of alcohol at the church. It is the intent that this policy will be distributed to all groups hosting events at St. Martin's Church that include alcohol. Further, the current insurance coverage requires an "event rider" under certain circumstances. Based on the foregoing purposes, the following is the alcohol policy as approved by the vestry on October 27, 2008:

1. Any and all necessary and reasonable precautions shall be taken to supervise the serving of alcohol to ensure that no individual is over served and that no individual under the legal drinking age is served.
2. No alcohol may be served at any youth-sponsored event.
3. Alcohol may be served in the dining room, provided it is removed from the original container and served in carafes, glasses or cups. The servings will be under the supervision of the group hosting the event and appropriate arrangements will be made in consultation with the Parish Administrator to properly supervise the serving of alcohol.
4. No alcohol will be served without an attractive alternative beverage and no alcohol will be served without a meal. Further, no alcohol will be sold separately; however, the cost of any alcohol will be included in the price of the event, including the meal.
5. No group hosting an event will include alcohol without first consulting with and receiving the consent of the Rector or the Parish Administrator.
6. Only beer and wine may be served on the church premises.
7. Any group hosting an event on the church premises and serving alcohol that is an "outside group" or is a group "advertising to the public" is required to obtain an "event rider" or certificate of insurance naming the church as loss payee and showing limits of "liquor liability" equal to the church's general liability.
8. For purposes of the alcohol policy an "outside group" shall be defined as any group holding a non-church sponsored event even if the leaders of the event are members of St. Martin's. "Advertising to the public" shall be defined as publicity through radio, newspaper, television or signage to induce the public to attend the scheduled event; however, this will not include notices published in the church newsletter or on the church website.