

Fees for Wedding Services

A Damage Deposit will be required from ALL couples wishing to use the church facility. A \$400.00 cheque payable to Faith Lutheran Church will be held by the church until the wedding is over and then can be returned. **Fees** must be paid to the church office before the day of rehearsal.

Required Fees

1. Damage Deposit: **\$400.00** (cheque payable to Faith Lutheran Church)
2. Space Required: **\$150.00** includes sanctuary for rehearsal and day of wedding, and two rooms for attendants. (cheque payable to Faith Lutheran Church)
3. Sound System: **\$100.00** (cheque payable to Faith Lutheran Church)

Optional Fees

4. Church supplied Organist/Pianist: **\$225.00** includes the service and one rehearsal. **\$50.00** per each additional hour rehearsal time or portion thereof (cheque payable to Faith Lutheran Church)
5. Minister: Suggested Honorarium **\$150.00 - \$250.00** (cheque payable to Chris Bishopp)
6. If the Church supplies a Soloist – Instrumental accompanist (flute, violin, etc.) or Vocalist: **\$75.00** (cheque payable to Faith Lutheran Church). If other arrangements are made, these fees should be paid directly to the musicians.
7. Choirs - Handbells or Vocal: **\$100.00** (cheque payable to Faith Lutheran Church)
8. Contemporary Music Team: **\$100.00** for Music Director and **\$75.00** for each musician. The number of musicians required to be determined by Music Director in consultation with wedding couple. (cheque payable to Faith Lutheran Church)

Please note that not all services may be required.

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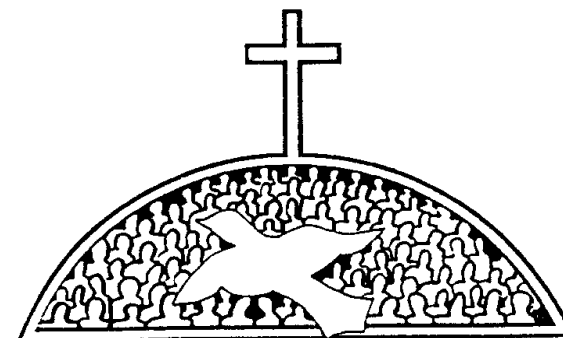
Statement

on

Marriage Practices

at

Faith Lutheran Church
1311 Dakota Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba
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Dear Friends,

We celebrate your decision to get married. In the face of secular alternatives, the wedding offered here at Faith is a Christian wedding, giving witness to God's presence in the couple's life. The wedding service is therefore an act of worship to our God.

We hope that we can assist you in making your wedding day a time of joy and worship. This letter describes the wedding guidelines that we follow in our congregation. Please read them over and direct any questions to the minister.

Sincerely yours,

Faith Lutheran Church Council

Wedding Arrangements should be made well in advance.

The minister should be contacted at least two to three months before the wedding date (the earlier the better). It is expected that the minister will be involved. If another minister is being asked to officiate, that minister should make contact with our church to obtain permission.

Reception invitations should be sent to the minister well in advance, if you would like the minister to attend your reception. The minister will consider the invitation but may not always be available to attend.

Pre-marital counseling is a prerequisite for a marriage at Faith Lutheran Church.

Couples may make arrangements for private pre-marital sessions with the minister. (Be prepared for a cost of \$35 for couple assessment materials). Or the couple may choose pre-marriage classes that are made available through the Aurora Family Therapy Centre, University of Winnipeg, or Marrying Well Preparation Seminars.

All couples will meet with the minister at least twice in addition to the classes or private counseling, to discuss matters pertaining to the upcoming marriage and the wedding service.

Music

- Couples are expected to use the church's organist/pianist for their wedding.
- Guest organists/pianists may be asked to play for the wedding, but only under the supervision of the regular church organist/pianist.
- Soloists must make arrangements with the church organist/pianist for rehearsals. If more than one rehearsal is required, there may be additional fees.
- Music selected for weddings must be appropriate for a church setting and must be arranged and approved by the church organist/pianist and minister.

Wedding Bulletins

Couples are encouraged to make their own arrangements for the purchase, typing, and copying of wedding bulletins.

Rehearsals

- Rehearsals need to be arranged well in advance at a convenient time for all involved.
- All members of the wedding party and parents of both the bride and groom should attend the rehearsal if possible.
- The organist/pianist will attend if necessary to practice with the soloist on the night of rehearsal.
- The minister is in charge of all rehearsals.

Decorations

- Silk bows for the pews are available at no charge but must be arranged in advance.
- A unity candlestick holder is available for use, but couples are asked to provide the candles (standard size).

Pictures

- We ask that people not move around during the wedding service to take pictures or videotape the service.
- Please inform all who will be taking pictures of the guidelines.
- It is recommended that the official photographer(s) speak to the minister prior to the wedding.

Confetti, Rice, Flowers, Birdseed, etc may be used only after the wedding service and outside the church building.