



# **First Presbyterian Church**

## **Wedding Packet**

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## **Preparing for Marriage at First Presbyterian Church**

As a part of this Wedding Packet, you will find all First Presbyterian's Wedding Policies and Procedures, as well as all the forms and fee information. It contains everything necessary to reserve your wedding date on the church calendar and help you to plan your special day.



# **First Presbyterian Church Wedding Policies and Procedures**

## **Wedding Policies and Procedures**

### **INTRODUCTION**

We are delighted that you are considering having your wedding here at First Presbyterian Church. We wish to offer the full benefit of the Church's ministry to its members and to non-members in the community who are contemplating marriage. A wedding is a sacred occasion and a service of worship. Everything that is planned as a part of the service should be with this objective in mind and in accordance with the doctrines, beliefs and regular worship practices of First Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Church USA Book of Common Worship.

For weddings, the Session (which is the governing body of First Presbyterian Church) has approved the following policies and procedures:

### **MINISTERS**

The pastor of First Presbyterian Church shall officiate and the Presbyterian order of service shall be used as outlined in the PCUSA Book of Common Worship. If you request an outside minister to assist in the service, the invitation to that clergy should be extended by our pastor with approval by our session. Our pastor is involved in all phases of the plans for the wedding. The date and time for the wedding should be determined in consultation with the minister and should be scheduled at least 120 days prior to the wedding. Understand that the pastor's time is often in demand, thus your first choice may or may not be available.

### **COUNSELING**

Because marriage is a life-long commitment, our Presbyterian denomination believes that churches have a responsibility to help prepare marrying couples to face responsibly the challenges of what it means to be married. Pre-marital counseling is mandatory for all couples married at First Presbyterian Church. Normally the couple will schedule for (4) in-person sessions with our pastor. Counseling sessions are required but may vary depending on the circumstances. Pre-marital counseling must be completed well before the wedding date.

### **SCHEDULING**

The place to begin the scheduling is with our pastor and office manager to check availability of the date you have chosen for your wedding. Once the date and the pastor's availability are verified all wedding arrangements will begin in a meeting with that pastor. The wedding and use of facilities are not confirmed until the pastor has met with the couple and has agreed to marry them. The couple will arrange that initial meeting by contacting the pastor.

All weddings at First Presbyterian Church must be approved by the Session. You need to fill out the Wedding Information Forms and pay your wedding deposit as soon as possible so that your request can be taken to the next scheduled Session meeting (the Session meets once a month). Your wedding is not officially on the church calendar until your Wedding Information Forms are completed and turned in to the church office and your wedding deposit is paid and you have met with the pastor.

Members of First Presbyterian Church, or children of members, may reserve the facility up to one year in advance. Non-member couples may reserve the church up to six months in advance. Only one wedding will be scheduled per weekend in our church. Due to the full schedule of worship on Sundays, weddings will generally not be held on Sundays or during Holy Week. The weeks immediately before, during and after Christmas may be scheduled only after the calendar for the Christmas music programs has been finalized (usually by October 15<sup>th</sup> of that year) hence, we cannot schedule December weddings more than three months in advance.

### **WEDDING CORRINATOR**

The officer manager with the pastor, serves as the wedding coordinator. This person will assist the pastor with wedding details and will be present to assist you at the wedding rehearsal and on the day of the wedding. The Coordinator works to make sure that the service meets the requirements of the Presbyterian Church USA Book of Common Worship. The pastor has authority as to the design of the service and content. Should the pastor encounter unreasonable demands or uncooperative participants, the pastor can decline to continue with the wedding planning.

### **CUSTODIAN**

The custodians will prepare the church for the wedding and will be required to clean before and again after the wedding to prepare for worship. The fee schedule for custodial fees is listed in this packet.

### **REHEARSALS**

Rehearsals should be scheduled at the time your wedding reservations are made. Wedding rehearsals are normally scheduled at 5:30 pm the Friday before your wedding. You need to obtain your marriage license in advance and bring it to the wedding rehearsal so that you may give it our pastor. For your planning, please be aware that the rehearsal takes approximately one hour. You will want to have the following members of the wedding party present: Bride, Groom, Father of the Bride, Bridesmaids, Groomsmen, Flower Girl, Ushers, etc. Parents and grandparents may also want to attend to know how and when they will be seated. Please be sure your out-of-town guests know how to find the church. The rehearsal will start promptly so arriving early is important. The pastor is in charge of the rehearsal and will work with the couple in establishing appropriate procedures in advance of the rehearsal. No tobacco or alcoholic beverages are allowed on the church premises which includes the streets adjoining the church and the parking lot. The pastor will ask anyone who arrives intoxicated to leave the premises. Generally, the church will open one hour prior to the scheduled rehearsal time.

### **DECORATIONS**

Indoor and outdoor decorations must be approved in advance before the rehearsal by the pastor. Decorations may not contain glitter or any other material that will shed. Nothing is allowed on the Communion Table other than designated candles and cross and in some cases unity candles and sand if approved by the pastor. Decorations must be acceptable in a Christian wedding service per the PCUSA Book of Common Worship. Decorations may not block the aisles or exits and may not extend beyond the first pews. No decorations are allowed in other areas inside or outside of the building. The final decision for approval rests with the pastor. During Advent, Christmas and Easter, the Sanctuary is decorated for the season. These decorations shall not be moved or altered in any fashion. Candelabras with candles and a Unity candelabra with side candles are available from First Presbyterian Church. Outside candles may not be used in the sanctuary due to fire and safety concerns.

## **MUSIC**

The beauty of your wedding is greatly enhanced through the use of appropriate music. It is the policy of the Presbyterian Church (USA) that the music accompanying the marriage service "...should direct attention to God, who sanctifies marriage, and special care should be taken to assure that it is suitable and reverent." It is requested that our own organist play for all weddings unless he/she will be unavailable on your selected date. Our church organist must be contacted at least two months before the wedding to schedule rehearsal and wedding appointments to plan your music. If it is necessary that a guest organist play for the ceremony, they must be a qualified organist and be approved by our organist. Our organist is Mr. Bill Reichert and may be reached through the church office. The pastor has final approval on the selected music, hymns and solos.

Songs sung during the ceremony must have religious texts. A couple may wish to consider having favorite secular songs performed at the wedding reception. The pastor has final approval of all music performed before and during and after the service and you should submit your choices to him/her soon after consulting with the organist. We prefer that all music be "live" rather than recorded. No video displays will be allowed before, during or after the service. It is illegal to make photocopies of copyrighted music without permission from the publisher. Please do not use or ask our organist, soloist, pianist, etc. to use any photocopied music unless prior written permission has been obtained from the publisher. Requests for solo, accompaniment or extra services from our organist may require an additional fee.

## **REPRODUCTIONS OF THE SERVICE**

Photographer: we know that a photographic record of your wedding is very important to you. Please also remember that the wedding is a service of worship. Due to that recognition, our Session has decided that no flash pictures are allowed once the service begins. Camera shutter sounds will be turned off or not used. The service begins after the wedding procession begins. The service is over after the benediction by the Pastor and the wedding party has recessed. Any pictures of the service other than existing light pictures from the rear of the Sanctuary may be re-enacted at another time. Photographs taken before the service need to be completed at least 45 minutes prior to the service. Pictures and video may not be taken from the Chancel and may not pass the first row of pews. The pastor will have the final say as to where and when photographs may be taken.

Video Reproductions: Videotaping is allowed with these restrictions –

1. No additional lighting may be used.
2. Only one camera operator is allowed.
3. No movement of the camera is permitted in the Sanctuary at any time.
4. The camera must be located in an unobtrusive place pre-approved by the Pastor.  
Cameras may not be located in the Chancel area and may not be set up past the first row of the pews.

## **FACILITIES**

For the Ceremony:

The Sanctuary will seat approximately 250 people. The use of the downstairs Parlor (for the Bride) and library (upstairs for the Groom's Room) for a period of eight hours is included. Anything over eight hours before the ceremony may be subject to an additional fee. Professional hair styling should be completed at another location as we do not have a room adequate for this purpose and prefer grooming and styling not be conducted in the church.

The Church buildings are smoke-free. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed on church property.

### **For the Reception:**

Space is available for receptions in the Fellowship Hall in the basement. A kitchen is available for caterers to use for setting up. The caterer must bring all food items prepared in appropriate self-contained equipment including utensils and silverware. Use of the kitchen incurs an additional fee. The caterer or wedding party must supply all serving utensils, dishes and equipment. The caterer/wedding party is responsible for all kitchen clean up. If you plan to hold your rehearsal or wedding reception in the church, arrangements should be made through the office manager at the same time you reserve the church.

## **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Be aware that the church is open during weddings. Do not assume that items left unattended in other areas of the church are secure. Be careful with all your valuables. The church cannot be held responsible for such items if lost, stolen or damaged.

## **FEE SCHEDULE AND PAYMENT**

The church facilities have been built and are maintained by members of the church. There are ongoing expenses in providing them for weddings.

Member and Non-Member Fee Charges can be found on pages 16 and 17 of this document. Please sign and return the Wedding Information Form with your acknowledgement of our church's wedding policies and fees within the first two weeks after you have requested to reserve the church.

The deposit of \$250.00 must be paid at the time of the request to reserve the church. The reservation will not be placed on the church calendar until approval by the Session of the request and date requested is approved. The deposit will be returned once the facilities manager signs off on the building and fixture condition after the wedding.



# **Wedding Forms and Fees**

## WEDDING INFORMATION AND DETAILS

Please fill out and return the information pages to the Church Office as soon as possible. They will be a part of your wedding file.

Bride: \_\_\_\_\_

Groom: \_\_\_\_\_

Rehearsal Date and Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Time: \_\_\_\_\_

### WEDDING INFORMATION

Name of Officiating Minister: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Wedding Ceremony:  Sanctuary  Other

Place of Wedding Rehearsal:  Sanctuary  Other

Name of Florist: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Reception (if at Church):

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Wish to use the Fellowship Hall  Wish to use the Kitchen

Name of Caterer: \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Party (indicate number)

Maid of Honor \_\_\_\_\_ Bridesmaids \_\_\_\_\_ Flower Girl \_\_\_\_\_

Best Man \_\_\_\_\_ Groomsmen \_\_\_\_\_ Ring Bearer \_\_\_\_\_ Ushers \_\_\_\_\_

CEREMONY INFORMATION

Name of Organist: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*(if other than church organist)*

Special music request?  Yes  No

If YES, title: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate number of guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check this box if you desire a wedding bulletin for the ceremony to be prepared by the church's officer manager. The deadline for information in the bulletin is two (3) weeks in advance of the wedding.

Other special requests (unity candelabras, microphones, etc.):

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**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

**The Bride**

Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name if Widowed or Divorced: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_ Widowed \_\_\_ Divorced Number of previous marriages \_\_\_

Names of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Membership: \_\_\_ First Presbyterian Church Member since \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Mother of the Bride: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Father of the Bride: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Groom**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_ Widowed \_\_\_ Divorced Number of previous marriages \_\_\_

Names of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Membership: \_\_\_ First Presbyterian Church Member since \_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Mother of the Groom: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Father of the Groom: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address after Wedding:

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone after Wedding:

\_\_\_\_\_

I will honor the rules and requests stated in the Wedding Guide Information Packet. I will also be responsible for any broken or damaged items as discussed in the Wedding Policies and Procedures.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Groom signature)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Bride signature)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**BUILDING USE APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT**

A Fee is assessed to offset the cost attributed to a group’s use of our facilities. All fees must be paid in full two weeks prior to the use of the facilities (six weeks for weddings). Please request a copy of the Building Use Policy and Fee Schedule if you have not already received one. If approved by us, this Building Use Application and Agreement forms the basis of a contract.

Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_

Is the applicant age 21 or over? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person paying the wedding deposit: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person completing application: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) and Time(s) of requested use: \_\_\_\_\_

Building Areas(s) Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the Event: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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**BUILDING USE APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT**

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RELEASE OF LIABILITY

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE USE OF ALL OR A PART OF THE PREMISES OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BROKEN BOW, NEBRASKA (THE "PREMISES"), AND FOR OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, THE RECEIPT AND SUFFICIENCY OF WHICH IS HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED; THE UNDERSIGNED APPLICANT DOES HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND FIRST NOT TO SUE THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (THE "LESSOR"), THEIR OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, INVITEES AND VOLUNTEERS, FOR ANY AND ALL PRESENT AND FUTURE CLAIMS, DEMANDS, ACTIONS OR CAUSES OF ACTION PERTAINING TO EITHER DAMAGES TO PROPERTY AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY OCCURING ON THE PREMISES DURING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT. LESSEE APPLICANT VOLUNTARILY WAIVES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AGAINST LESSOR, INCLUDING CLAIMS RESULTING FROM OR FOR NEGLIGENCE, BOTH PRESENT AND FUTURE, THAT MAY BE MADE BY THE LESSEE, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, FAMILY, ESTATE, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS.

PERSONAL GUARANTY AND INDEMNIFICATION

LESSEE APPLICANT HEREBY ASSUMES LIABILITY FOR, AND SHALL INDEMNIFY, PROTECT, SAVE AND KEEP HARMLESS LESSOR, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS, FROM AND AGAINST, AND TO PAY LESSOR PROMPTLY UPON DEMAND THE AMOUNT OF, ANY AND ALL LIABILITIES, OBLIGATIONS, LOSSES, DAMAGES, PENALTIES, CLAIMS, ACTIONS, SUITS, COSTS, EXPENSES AND DISBURSEMENTS, INCLUDING REASONABLE LEGAL EXPENSE, OF WHATSOEVER KIND AND NATURE, IMPOSED ON, INCURRED BY OR ASSERTED AGAINST LESSOR IN ANY WAY RELATING TO OR ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR THE POSSESSION, USE OR OPERATION OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BY LESSEE. THE INDEMNITIES CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT, NOT WITHSTANDING THE EXPIRATION OR OTHER TERMINATION OF THIS AGREEMENT.

A deposit fee of \$250 must be paid at the time of the request for the use of the facility. The total cost of the user fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is due two weeks before the event and six weeks before a wedding.

USE FEE AMOUNT FOR THIS EVENT (TO BE PAID TWO (2) two weeks before, six weeks for a wedding. The Refundable facility deposit is (see notice below) is \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION MUST BE GIVEN TO CHURCH NO LATER THAN ONE (7) BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE EVENT DATE. A BUSINESS DAY IS CONSTRUED TO MEAN ANY DAY OTHER THAN SATURDAY, SUNDAY OR A LEGAL HOLIDAY. FAILURE TO PROVIDE TIMELY NOTICE OF CANCELLATION WILL RESULT IN THE FORFEITURE OF YOUR USE FEE.

NOTICE: THE APPLICANT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY AND ALL DAMAGE TO THE PREMISES OCCURRING IN CONNECTION WITH THIS EVENT AND APPLICANT'S AND APPLICANT'S GUESTS' USE OF THE PREMISES. THE FACILITY DEPOSIT IS REFUNDABLE TO PAYOR WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS PROVIDED THERE HAS BEEN NO DAMAGE TO THE PREMISES. THE CHURCH RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CREDIT THE FACILITY DEPOSIT TOWARD THE REPAIR OF ANY DAMAGE.

APPLICANT SHALL NOT SERVE, OR PERMIT THE SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS OR OTHER ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES AT THIS EVENT.

I, THE APPLICANT, HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN THIS AGREEMENT AND, IF EXECUTING THIS AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF AN ORGANIZATION, I CERTIFY THAT I AM AUTHORIZED BY THE ORGANIZATION TO ENTER THIS AGREEMENT.

APPLICANT:  
  
BY \_\_\_\_\_  
  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED:  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
  
BY \_\_\_\_\_  
  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**FEE SCHEDULE AND PAYMENT  
MEMBER/PASTOR OFFICIATING**

These fees must be paid at least six (6) weeks in advance of the wedding. *(with the exception of the Wedding Deposit which is due when you request to schedule the event)*

PLEASE RETURN THIS FEE SCHEDULE WITH THE WEDDING INFORMATION FORM AND THE CUSTODIAL SET-UP FORM AS SOON WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF YOUR INITIAL REQUEST. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY JEOPARDIZE YOUR USE OF CHURCH FACILITIES.

_____	\$250 Wedding Deposit – Returned after Wedding
_____	\$0 Wedding Coordinator Fee
_____	\$75 Church Organist/Pianist Fee (additional \$25 per hour for rehearsal with soloist)
_____	\$35 Church Soloist Fee (additional \$25 per hour for rehearsal with organist/pianist)
_____	\$50 Custodial Fee
_____	\$0 Facility Use Fee for Reception
_____	Clergy Fee**
_____	<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED</b>

**The total cost incurred must be paid in advance no later than six weeks before the wedding.**

\*\* The minister’s honorarium is at the discretion of the family and should be given to the minister the day of the wedding. The Session recommended honorarium is \$125.00

NAME OF BRIDE/GROOM:

DATE OF WEDDING:

Amount: \$

DATE PAID:

If mailing payment, please enclose a copy of this form with your payment to:

First Presbyterian Church  
925 N. H Street  
Broken Bow, NE 68822

I have read the Wedding Policies and Procedures of First Presbyterian Church and agree to abide by the policies and procedures contained therein. I understand the fees associated with having a wedding at First Presbyterian Church and agree to pay them at the specified times.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**CUSTODIAL INSTRUCTION SHEET**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Wedding/Reception: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Reception: \_\_\_\_\_

Specific room(s) involved: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please make a sketch or give descriptions of the set-up you would like for your reception, if applicable.

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AT LEAST SIX (6) WEEKS PRIOR TO YOUR WEDDING DATE.**

**PLEASE GIVE A COPY OF THIS INFORMATION TO YOUR VIDEOGRAPHER**

**INFORMATION FOR WEDDING VIDEOGRAPHERS**

From

First Presbyterian Church  
925 N. H Street  
Broken Bow, Nebraska 68822  
(308) 872-2302

LIMITED VIDEOTAPING IS ALLOWED DURING THE CEREMONY WITH THE FOLOWING RESTRICTIONS:

1. No additional lighting may be used.
2. Only one camera operator is permitted.
3. No movement of the camera is permitted in the Sanctuary at any time.
4. The camera must be located in an unobtrusive place approved by the pastor.
5. Cameras may not be located in the Chancel or beyond the first pew.

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS A WORSHIP SERVICE AND SHOULD BE OBSERVED WITH  
REVERENCE.

**PLEASE GIVE A COPY OF THIS INFORMATION TO YOUR PHOTOGRAPHER**

**INFORMATION FOR WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHERS**

From

First Presbyterian Church  
925 N. H Street  
Broken Bow, Nebraska 68822  
(308) 872-2302

PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO TAKE FLASH PICTURES DURING THE WEDDING CEREMONY. SHUTTER SOUNDS MUST BE MUTED. THE PHOTOGRAPHER SHOULD REMAIN INSIDE THE CENTER BACK DOOR OF THE SANCTUARY DURING THE CEREMONY. PICTURES MAY BE TAKEN ONLY FROM THAT LOCATION DURING THE CEREMONY. PHOTOGRAPHERS MAY NOT BE IN THE CHANCEL.

Photographers may take pictures of the bridesmaids and bride's entry into the Sanctuary from the back two (2) rows.

Posed pictures may be taken before or after the ceremony. Pictures taken prior to the ceremony MUST be finished at least 45 minutes before the wedding ceremony is to begin.

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS A WORSHIP SERVICE AND SHOULD BE OBSERVED WITH REVERENCE.

PLEASE GIVE A COPY OF THIS INFORMATION TO YOUR FLORIST

INFORMATION FOR WEDDING FLORIST

From  
First Presbyterian Church  
925 N. H Street  
Broken Bow, Nebraska 68822  
(308) 872-2302

- Floral arrangements may not cover or interfere with any religious icons or emblems.
- Floral arrangements and decorations are not to contain glitter or other substances that will “shed” onto the floor, carpet, or pews.
- A predetermined time to deliver arrangements must be made one week prior to the wedding.
- Floral arrangements and decorations must be removed within two hours after the service.
- Arrangements and decorations may not block aisles or exits.
- Arrangements may not be placed near open flames.

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS A WORSHIP SERVICE AND SHOULD BE OBSERVED WITH REVERENCE