

Wedding Fees

In order to plan ahead for your wedding in the First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, the following scale of fees is in effect dated fall of 2008.

	Non- Members	Members
Sanctuary	\$100.00	0
Chapel	\$75.00	0
Social Room Only	\$100.00	0
Social Room with Kitchen	\$150.00	0
14 Dripless Candles (for candelabra)	\$16.00	\$16.00
Video Tape of Service (includes sound tech)	\$120.00	\$120.00
Caretaker	\$75.00	\$75.00
Organist with Rehearsal	\$100.00	\$100.00
Minister	\$150.00	\$150.00
Damage Deposit	\$500.00	0
Sound Technician (only)	\$30.00	\$30.00

Please arrange to pay the minister on the rehearsal evening with separate checks (or cash) under the following names:

Organist: Terri Fryman
 Caretaker: Dan Hawley
 Minister: John M. Person
 Sound Technicians: Call church for names

A rental contract form is due to the church office upon approval of wedding date by the Church Session. For nonmember weddings, the Sanctuary fee is due with the rental contract to hold the date. Damage deposit for nonmember weddings is due to the church office one week before the wedding rehearsal. Damage Deposit is refundable if church is left in proper order.

Enjoy your arrangements, they are an important part of your, "life together."

MUSIC FOR A CHRISTIAN WEDDING

It is not necessary to have music at a church wedding. The wedding service can be a spoken service in reverence to God.

The church wedding is always a worship service invoking the blessing of God on the founding of a home. Music used should always serve to reflect and enhance the mood and meaning of the service and to direct our thoughts God-ward. Wedding music is in the service as praise or prayer and should be chosen appropriately.

Congregational singing may be used instead of or in addition to vocal numbers.

Processional and recessional music should reflect the sacred occasion. Hymns such as, "Praise My Soul, The King of Heaven," may be used.

During the ceremony there is no background music.

RECEPTION PLANNER

Bride's name, address, and telephone number:

Groom's name, address, and telephone number:

Date and time of wedding:

Number of guests expected:

Time of picture taking:

Receiving line: yes no

If yes, location of line:

Type of reception:

Menu:

Cake made by:

 Telephone number:

 Time of cake arrival, set up:

Time of food arrival:

Punch recipe:

ATTENDANCE AT RECEPTION

The pastor will make every attempt to attend the reception. If the pastor's wife, the organist, or the vocalist is welcome to attend, please extend them an invitation.

SMOKING

Smoking is not permitted in the church building at any time. Please ask your guests to refrain from smoking anywhere in the building.

ALCOHOL

Drinking of alcoholic beverages is not permitted in the church building at any time.

RICE

Although it is a tradition, please do not throw rice. Rice swells when moist and kills birds. As the bridal party leaves the church, we suggest that you throw bird seed instead. Bird seed is only to be used outside the building.

TIMES

Saturday weddings must begin no later than 5:30 p.m. Receptions must end by 8:00 p.m., or an additional fee of \$50.00 is charged (see fee scale.)

CANDLES

The bride is responsible for providing the, "Unity Ceremony," candles if they are desired. The church provides candles, at cost, for candelabra and isle stands. Candelabras are available to the bride upon request.

BULLETINS

It is suggested that nonmembers use outside printing companies for their bulletins unless otherwise discussed with Pastor.

REHEARSAL

Please arrange the time of rehearsal with the officiating pastor.

Please ask all rehearsal participants to arrive promptly. The length of the rehearsal is usually about one (1) hour.

DRESSING ROOMS

Arrange for dressing areas with the Pastor or Weddings Director. Also, discuss with him or her other facilities which are needed.

NURSERY

The church's nursery is available during weddings only by special arrangement. The wedding party should arrange and pay for nursery care personnel. In addition, a \$ 10.00 fee will be charged for supplying the nursery.

PICTURES

Flash photography is only allowed during the processional and the recessional of the wedding services. Video-cam photography must be arranged with officiating pastor.

It is suggested that formal wedding pictures be taken before the wedding.

RECEPTIONS

If a reception at the church is desired, consult with the Parish Life Chairperson for receptions. Name will be given through church office.

GRACE AT MEALS

It is proper that a blessing precede the service of refreshments. The officiating pastor will be happy to do his upon request.

INCIDENTALS:

1. Decorations, flowers, color scheme
2. Ice ring for punch
3. Doilies for serving cake
4. Sheets for the gift tables
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.

Diagram of serving table arrangements: include food, cake, silverware, napkins, and coffee service.

Diagram of dining room arrangements: include serving table, punch table, bride's table, guest seating arrangements (table seating or chair groupings).

NAMES:

Punch servers:

Coffee pourers:

Cake cutters:

Guest Book:

Host & Hostess:

NOTES:

CONDUCT

Participants in a wedding are guests in a worship service. They should conduct themselves with propriety during the wedding rehearsal and the service.

COUNSELING SESSIONS

Arrangements should be made with the pastor several months in advance. Although exceptions may be made, it is the general policy of the Session that there be a waiting period of at least one month between a request for a wedding and the wedding date.

A minimum of three (3) one hour pre-marriage counseling session with the participating pastor are required.

OFFICIANT

The pastor of First Presbyterian will officiate any wedding of the church. Other clergy may co-officiate by invitation of the pastor.

ORGANIST

The church organist will normally play at weddings.

DECORATIONS

The bride, her mother, or other reliable person is responsible for all floral decorations.

If the wedding takes place on Friday or Saturday, and if the flowers are left, please inform the pastor if they may be used for the Sunday morning service and then taken to home-bound members.

The wedding party agrees to use the sanctuary, "as is." Large banners and other church decorations will not be removed for the wedding. Please do not ask the custodian to do this.

Decorations on candelabras are to be kept to a minimum due to fire hazard.

WEDDING POLICY

First Presbyterian Church
114 East Fourth Street
Greenville, Ohio 45331
Phone # 937-548-3188

NOTES:

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CHRISTIAN HOME

Congratulations on your approaching wedding! God has ordained marriage for our welfare and happiness. God blesses a marriage that is established in God's presence, in accordance with God's Word and in God's Church.

Therefore, we urge you to seek to establish a Christian home built upon the foundation of Christian love, faith, mutual trust, and willing obedience to the will and Word of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

To that end, we hope you will:

- Renew your personal commitment to Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord before you enter into marriage.
- Begin your marriage with the blessing of Christ and the Church.
- Establish membership in a Christian Church soon after your marriage, if you are not already members.
- Bring up your children, if God should so grant them to you, in faith and reverence of the Lord, bring them before the Lord in prayer, baptizing them in accordance with God's covenant, entering them in Sunday school at the proper age, and by word and example, leading them into the knowledge and worship of their Lord and Savior.
- Memorize your wedding vows and renew them together on each anniversary.
- Seek the help of the Lord and the Church should marital strain or disharmony overtake you, to the end that we might, "in good or evil days," remain steadfast in our marriage vows, each to the other.

NOTE:

WEDDING BOOKLET



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