

First Park Congregational Wedding Information

*Congratulations on your engagement, and thank you
for considering Park Church for your wedding ceremony!*

Availability of the Church

Rehearsals are Fridays only and weddings are Saturdays only. We will not accommodate wedding requests outside of these days.

Park Church is available for ceremonies only. We do not book receptions or rehearsal dinners.

We do not schedule weddings during July, August, and December.

We do not schedule weddings on holiday weekends.

All business, including tours or walk-throughs, is by appointment only and must be held during regular business hours.

Interested couples may contact the church's Events Coordinator to begin the booking process.

At A Glance

Park Church considers weddings to be sacred, spiritual worship services. Therefore, we do not allow any recorded music. All music must be live and will be chosen from a pre-approved repertoire.

All ceremonies are preformed from a pre-approved liturgy. While Park Church is happy to accommodate special requests/readings, these must be approved by the Senior Minister and may not conflict with the fundamental values of Park Church.

Park Church is a smoke, drug, and alcohol-free facility, including all grounds and the parking lot. It is NOT acceptable for the wedding party or guests to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol during the rehearsal or wedding ceremony. Wedding party and guests should also dress and behave appropriately for a worship service. **Non-compliance will result in the cancellation of your wedding and no refund will be issued.**

Flash photography is prohibited during the ceremony. Flash photography may be used while the wedding party and bride enter the Sanctuary. You may contract with a professional to videotape your wedding. Videotaping must be done from a stationary location on either the ground floor or balcony.

Ribbon or floral arrangements may be used to mark the pews or aisle candles. However, wires, nails, tacks, and tape are strictly prohibited in order to maintain the beauty of our history Sanctuary's furnishings. Park Church decor is not removable. This includes, but is not limited to, artwork, banners, liturgical pendants, seasonal decorations, signage, furniture, etc.

Rice, birdseed and balloons are strictly prohibited for ceremonial departures. Park Church suggests the use of bells or bubbles to send off the bride and groom.

Pre-marital counseling is not required, but is recommended.

Our Packages and Rates

There are two rates for weddings. These are for members of the congregation, and non-members. Member pricing starts at \$875, plus an additional \$400 for music. Non-member pricing starts at \$1,875, plus an additional \$400 for music. To qualify for the member rate, one must have completed the member orientation program, and be an active member of the congregation for a minimum of 12 consecutive months, **prior** to the booking of the wedding.

Included in the wedding packages are:

5 hours of building access on the wedding day. The Sanctuary seats 600 people. The Chapel seats 80. Access includes separate dressing rooms for the couple and common areas for wedding party and/or guest gathering. All first floor rooms, restrooms, and the Sanctuary and Chapel are handicap accessible.

1 hour of rehearsal time – to take place the Friday night before the wedding. Scheduling of rehearsal time must take place through the Events Coordinator. **Rehearsals are Fridays only.**

Free parking lot access – Includes the wedding day block, and rehearsal. All cars must vacate the lot at the conclusion of the rental time. Parking lot holds

125 cars.

Officiate – Includes the wedding day, rehearsal, and one planning meeting.

Ceremony Coordinator – Includes the wedding day, rehearsal, and one planning meeting.

Security – Covers the 5-hour block of the wedding day.

Sound Technician – Includes the wedding day.

Organist – Includes the wedding day, rehearsal, and one music consultation.

Custodian – Includes the wedding day, and rehearsal.

a la carte add-ons:

Music Outside of Repertoire Discretion	Cost at Organist's
Aisle Candles	\$50
Altar Candelabra	\$50
Organist Rehearsals with Soloist	\$50/each

You are welcome to bring your own minister, musicians, and/or wedding coordinator. However, the balance of fees will remain the same. There are no discounts.

Deposits and Payments

A \$500 non-refundable deposit and signed contract are required to hold your date. The deposit will be applied to the total balance.

Organists are paid directly at the music consultation. Your remaining balance is due seven (7) days before the wedding. We accept cash, check, or money order. Checks may be made payable to Park Church. Please discuss music payment options directly with the organist.