

WELCOME

The congregation and staff of St. David's United Church is delighted that you are considering having your wedding in our church. We are committed to doing our best to help you and your family in the process of celebrating this very special day. St. David's offers a ministry of love and welcome to all who people in the community.

The following information is provided to assist you and the church to plan the wedding service.

Anyone who is legally entitled to be married in British Columbia is welcome to have their wedding at St. David's.

INITIAL CONTACT WITH THE CHURCH

The ministry personnel and staff of St. David's church will do their best to answer all of your questions and accommodate any special requests. As we wish this service to be as personal as possible, ministry personnel welcome the opportunity to meet with you and your partner as soon as possible so that we might get to know you.

First and foremost, it is important that you confirm minister and church availability, as well as the time and date of the service, as soon as possible.

PLANNING THE SERVICE

Once the service time has been confirmed by the rentals co-ordinator, the minister will meet with you to lead you through planning the service. The minister will give you an outline of the service with options to choose for each part.

You will also have opportunity to meet with the church staff if you have any further questions concerning facility use.

SOME FINER POINTS TO REMEMBER

A minister from St. David's must be involved in the wedding.

All photography and videotaping will meet with the approval of the Minister.

No confetti or rice inside or outside the church.

You are responsible for acquiring your wedding licence and delivering it to the church a week prior to the wedding so that we might complete the paperwork.

The minister will meet with you as you require to plan and prepare your wedding.

Assistance with details (marriage license information, decorating the church, floral delivery, etc.) is offered by the office staff. Please feel free to contact if you have any questions.

If you are having a rehearsal, please remind all participants they are required to be there on time. Your rehearsal is booked for a specific time slot.

Candles are not permitted in the aisles or pews.

If your wedding takes place when the church has special decorations, these will not be removed. The minister will advise if there are special decorations.

The minister from St. David's is more than happy to conduct your ceremony at a location other than the church.

Planning Your Wedding



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SOME QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

Do you wish to use the church sanctuary (seats 350) or have the wedding conducted elsewhere?

What music and musicians would you like to have?

What scripture passages would you like read? Is there someone special you wish to do the reading?

Are there any other readings, poetry you would like read?

Is there anyone else you would like to participate in the service?

Do you wish to write your own vows in dialogue with the minister?

Do you wish to have a bulletin or program of the service?

Do you wish to have candles? If so, you are responsible for supplying them.

What flowers would you like to have?

Do you wish to use the church hall for a reception?

Would you like to have a rehearsal for your wedding? This will be booked at the time you book your wedding.

MUSIC

Music is an important part of a service. An organ and piano are located in the sanctuary. You must use the organist from St. David's. If she is unavailable, arrangements for you to supply your own organist or pianist must meet with the approval of the church music director. All music selections to be discussed with the ministerial staff.

We can assist you in booking soloists or instrumentalists, or you may wish to use a person of your own choice.

RECEPTION

After the service, many people wish to have a reception. St. David's has a church hall and kitchen are available to host receptions. No alcohol is allowed on church premises.



FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following is a list of fees for a service at St. David's:

Church Sanctuary and Lounge	\$350.00
Minister's Services	\$400.00
Organist/Pianist	\$250.00
Church Host (required)	\$100.00
Lower Hall (if large reception)	\$200.00

**note the same rate is charged to Church members and non-members. This is due to Canada Revenue Agency regulations in order to comply with the *Income Tax Act* for registered charities.

**any transportation, hotel or other fees for staff for weddings not at St. David's will be in addition to the above cost.

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