

WEDDING PLANNING FORM

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS NECESSARY TO HELP US PLAN FOR YOUR SPECIAL WEDDING.
PLEASE FILL OUT AS COMPLETELY AS POSSIBLE AND RETURN TO THE PASTOR.

PREFERRED DATE OF WEDDING _____ TIME _____

DATE OF REHEARSAL _____ TIME _____

PLACE OF WEDDING (if other than church) _____

BRIDE

FULL NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS AFTER MARRIAGE _____ PHONE _____

MEMBER OF CHURCH? Yes ___ No ___

IF NO, WHERE IS YOUR CURRENT CHURCH

MEMBERSHIP? _____

OCCUPATION _____

PLACE OF WORK _____

HOW LONG _____ WORK PHONE _____

IS THIS YOUR 1ST MARRIAGE? YES _____
NO _____

IF NO, DATE DIVORCE FINALIZED _____

EDUCATION: School Graduation Date

HIGH SCHOOL _____

COLLEGE _____

TECH. SCHOOL _____

OTHER _____

GROOM

FULL NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

FATHER'S NAME _____

FATHER'S NAME _____

MOTHER'S NAME _____

MOTHER'S NAME _____

PARENTS MARRIED? _____ DIVORCED? _____

PARENTS MARRIED? _____ DIVORCED? _____

BROTHER/SISTERS:

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HOBBIES/INTERESTS _____

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ARE THERE ANY SPECIAL CONCERNS YOU FEEL THE PASTOR SHOULD BE AWARE OF BEFORE THE DAY OF THE WEDDING?

WEDDING FEES AND HONORARIUMS

	Member	Non-member	
Pastor	\$200.00	\$300.00	Paid to Pastor
Organist	\$150.00	\$200.00	Paid to Organist
Soloist	\$100.00	\$150.00	Paid to Soloist
Janitor	\$ 50.00	\$100.00	Paid to Janitor
Sanctuary Use	None	\$500.00	Paid to Church
Fellowship Hall	None	\$150.00	Paid to Church
Candelabra/Other Items	None	\$ 50.00	Paid to Church

The church facility and its grounds is the property of the members of the congregation. As such, use of the facility by non-members for sacred acts is generally discouraged (thus the much higher fees). Non-member reservations are deemed temporary until 90 days before the service in case a member requests the use of the facility for the same date.

WEDDING SERVICE PLANNING

ORGANIST _____ NAME _____

PHOTOGRAPHER _____ NAME _____

PIANIST _____ NAME _____

VIDEOGRAPHER _____ NAME _____

SOLOIST _____ NAME _____

FLORIST _____ NAME _____

OTHER MUSICIANS _____

WILL FLOWERS BE LEFT
FOR SUNDAY SERVICE? Yes _____ No _____

MEMORIAL FLOWERS? _____ IN HONOR OF:

PRESERVICE SOLOS _____

SPECIAL DECORATIONS _____

PROCESSIONAL (MAIDS) _____

AISLE RUNNER _____ MOTHER'S ROSE _____

UNITY CANDLE _____ MOTHER'S LIGHT _____

PROCESSIONAL (BRIDE) _____

UNITY SAND _____

RECEPTION AT _____

SERVICE SOLOS _____

APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF GUESTS _____

WEDDING BULLETIN Yes _____ No _____

BULLETIN DONE BY _____

USHER OUT: Ushers _____ Couple _____

RECESSIONAL _____

SCRIPTURE READING CHOICES (See enclosed sheet):

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

SCRIPTURE READER (S) OTHER THAN PASTOR: YES ____ NO ____ NAME _____

INCLUSION OF ANOTHER CLERGYMAN: YES ____ NO ____ NAME _____

IS PASTOR TO ASK "WHO GIVES THIS WOMAN TO BE MARRIED TO THIS MAN?" YES ____ NO ____

WHO WILL ESCORT THE BRIDE DOWN THE AISLE? MOTHER____FATHER____BOTH____

OTHER _____

INFORMATION FOR WEDDING FOLDER

ATTENDANTS	RELATIONSHIP (SISTER OF BRIDE, FRIEND OF...)
BRIDE	
MAID/MATRON OF HONOR _____	_____
BRIDESMAIDS _____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
FLOWER GIRL _____	_____
MINIATURE BRIDE _____	_____
OTHER _____	_____
PERSONAL ATTENDANT _____	_____
GROOM	
BEST MAN _____	_____
GROOMSMEN _____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
RING BEARER _____	_____
MINIATURE GROOM _____	_____
OTHER _____	_____
USHERS _____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

FAVORITE WEDDING PASSAGES FROM THE BIBLE

Ephesians 5:21-31

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior.

Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.

In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church -- for we are members of his body.

"For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh."

Genesis 2:18-24

The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him." Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beasts of the field. But for Adam no suitable helper was found.

So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and closed up the place with flesh. Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man." For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.

Psalms 37:3-6

Trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this: He will make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun.

Matthew 19:4-6

"Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate."

I John 4:7-12

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

I Corinthians 13:1-8, 13

And now I will show you the most excellent way. If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-13

Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work: If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up! Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

Psalms 127

Unless the LORD builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain. In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat -- for he grants sleep to those he loves. Sons are a heritage from the LORD, children a reward from him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are sons born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they contend with their enemies in the gate.

EXAMPLE FOR WEDDING FOLDER

The Rite of Marriage
Date, Year
Full Names of Couple
Rushford Lutheran Church
Rushford, Minnesota
Officiant - Pastor Steve P. Chellew
Organist -
Soloist -

Preservice Music – *List songs and artists*

Preservice Anthem – *OPTIONAL, List songs and artists*

Mother's Light – *OPTIONAL (With Unity Candle)*

Processional – *List songs and artists*

Invocation

Scripture Readings

Wedding Message

Wedding Anthem – *OPTIONAL, List songs and artists*

Declaration of Intent

Exchange of Vows

Exchange of Rings

Pronouncement

Unity Candle/Unity Sand – *OPTIONAL, List songs and artists*

Wedding Anthem – *OPTIONAL, List songs and artists*

Wedding Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Presentation of the Bride and Groom

Recessional – *List songs and artists*