

ABOUT YOUR WEDDING

AT GRACE UNITED CHURCH



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Weddings at
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We are happy to learn about your forthcoming marriage and wish you well. We are also pleased at your wish to have a Church wedding. These suggestions and guidelines are intended to help ensure a meaningful and memorable service.

In planning your wedding day, please note that the wedding service, inclusive of signing the register, takes about 30 minutes, depending on arrangements.

Booking: Literature provided, provisional booking of date, and time of wedding. Deposit paid and, if possible, appointment made to meet the minister.

Interview: Couple arranges time with minister through the Church office at least **6 weeks** before the wedding. The Church's expectations, policy and procedures, gathering of personal data and confirmation of arrangements will be discussed.

If the couple or minister feels more discussion is needed, a second interview may be arranged. Final consent to conduct the wedding is the decision of the presiding Minister. The Minister must also be consulted if clergy friends, relatives or others are to participate in the service

Rehearsal: Normally the evening before the wedding date. The License must be given to the office at least one week prior to the wedding.

Marriage Preparation course: A marriage preparation course is optional. www.MarriagePrep.com. is designed to help couples successfully navigate the transition from engagement to a solid new marriage.



FLOWERS & DECORATIONS: Your florist should arrange for delivery through the Church Office. Flower stands are provided by the Church, and can be used for flowers at either end of the Communion Table.

Floor-standing candelabra are available on request, as well as a three-candle candelabra that can be used on the Communion Table. Candles shall be provided by the family and must be dripless with fluted ends, size 3/4" or 13/16". We ask that you please do not throw confetti, rice or real flower petals in or outside of the sanctuary.

Bubbles are fine or silk flower petals.

PHOTOGRAPHY: There are several excellent locations for wedding photographs in and around the Church. Your photographers must comply with guidelines provided.

REHEARSAL: The rehearsal plays an important role in helping all who are involved to understand the full significance of the service. The many people assisting you count on this time to prepare for your wedding.

LICENCE: Authority to conduct wedding services is vested in the officiating minister by the Church and the province of Ontario.

Permission to marry is granted to adults by a licence which must be secured from an Issuer of Marriage Licences, available in any city or town hall. Such marriage licence is valid for 90 days from the date of issue (so don't get it earlier than 90 days prior to the wedding date) and costs \$100.00 or more, (depending on the municipality) in cash or certified cheque, when the license is purchased.

WEDDING MUSIC: Music at your wedding is optional. Any music used in connection with a Church Wedding should be suitable for a church service. If you wish to have an organist, it is entirely your responsibility to arrange musical selections. The organist may require a special rehearsal if soloists are to be utilized, and the cost for this accommodation is \$50.

PARKING: Parking on Church property is limited.

Alternate locations are available nearby at the GO Station (one block west), on Alexander Street (one street north on the right), and at Central School on Alexander Street .

FEES: The gifts and qualifications of a number of persons combine to help you prepare and experience a meaningful service here at Grace. Our complete package price for having your wedding here at Grace United Church is \$1100. This includes the following:

SANCTUARY USE (Includes wedding day and rehearsal)

MINISTER (Includes rehearsal)

CHURCH OFFICER (Includes rehearsal)

ORGANIST (Includes a meeting with couple & wedding day)

ADMINISTRATION

With reference to the above fee we ask that a \$100 non-refundable deposit be paid at the time of booking to secure your wedding date.

Your balance of \$1000 (cash) is to be paid to the church office 30 days prior to your wedding date.

READY TO BOOK YOUR WEDDING DATE?
GIVE US A CALL AT
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Minister

Reverend Richard Choe
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Organist

Don Salfarlie
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