GRACE UNITED CHURCH

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Guidelines for Photography, Video and Sound Recording

Grace Church offers a unique and historic setting for celebrations such as Weddings and Baptisms. We are delighted to co-operate in every way possible to ensure this happy occasion is faithfully recorded for future recollections and family gatherings.

These guidelines reflect the values and expectations of Grace United Church and are based on the following beliefs:

The Sanctuary is a place of worship.

The Service is an act of worship.

Photographers (both professional and amateur) and video and/or sound recorders shall not be intrusive or disruptive of the intent and atmosphere of worship. We ask therefore that:

Before the Service

Photographers make every effort to be prompt, and not delay the service with elaborate arrangements and excessive retakes.

During the Processional

The designated photographer may take a position <u>mid-way</u> up the centre aisle but must not dislocate guests in the pews. Flash is recommended to overcome backlight via the main doorway.

During the spoken Service

As with the guests except for one picture of the exchange of rings from midway down the centre isle without flash.

After the Service

"Re-enactments" of the liturgy may be arranged, but must remain faithful to the service as conducted.

Recessional

As required without blocking isle

There shall be no interruption of the service nor any intrusion by photographers or equipment into the Chancel area at any time.

GUESTS

Guests are invited to take pictures during the Processional, The Signing, and the Recessional from where they are seated. However as this is a service of worship they are asked not to take pictures during the spoken parts of the service but to worship and participate in the service of their family member or friend.

VIDEOTAPING AND AUDIO EQUIPMENT

Videotaping by a professional hired by the couple or by ONE designated friend is restricted to the Gallery. Microphones, tripods, etc., shall be located only with the approval of the presiding Clergy or the Church Officer. No auxiliary lighting is permitted