Fees

Church rental fees are due three weeks after the confirmation of a wedding date is communicated to the couple following the approval of the Session.

Suggested Minimum Honoraria

Minister's Honorarium (if applicable) \$300.00 Organist's Honorarium (if applicable) Organist sets own fee

Personnel

Caretaker's Fee (compulsory) \$120.00 Sound Technician (if applicable) \$100.00

Facility

Sanctuary / Ready Rooms for Wedding Party \$330.00

Additional Fees

Additional fees may be required for the Caretaker depending upon:

a. The condition in which the church is left.

b. Any additional hours the Caretaker must work over and above the allotted times prior to and after your rehearsal / ceremony.

Additional fees may be required for the church for:

a. Ignoring the guidelines agreed to in the contract (for example: use of confetti).

b. Damages done to the church building and or property by the couple, wedding party or guests.

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Christ calls us to be faithful disciples who are joyful in our worship, tender in our life together and daring in our outreach

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WEDDINGS AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

General Information:

At First Presbyterian Church in Regina, we warmly welcome engaged couples to hold weddings in our Sanctuary. We wish couples to have a wonderful, happy and spiritually uplifting celebration of this most important day in their lives, and our clergy and staff are happy to assist you in making this day as meaningful as possible.

Wedding Service:

First Church is a Christian church, and as such, wedding services performed here are services of celebration and praise of Christian unity through marriage blessed by God, committed to a life together. The wedding service is according to Christian precepts and the Reformed tradition.

The officiant at weddings in First Church must be an ordained Minister or Lay Missionary of a Christian denomination who is sanctioned by the Province of Saskatchewan to legally perform marriages in Saskatchewan.

Generally speaking, the Minister of First Church will conduct all weddings. However, the couple may apply to the Session of First Church for approval for an alternate Minister to perform the wedding ceremony. Please apply for alternates at least three months prior to your wedding.

Marriage Preparation:

First Church requires a marriage preparation course. The Minister of First Church may conduct this marriage preparation, or it may be provided by an outside course. When an outside preparation course is allowed, the Minister of First Church must be notified upon completion of the required course.

Music:

Upon request the Organist/Music Director of First Church may be available to provide music for this most important day.

Rehearsals:

The Caretaker is required to attend your wedding rehearsal. The Caretaker will open the church 30 minutes prior to your rehearsal and will close the church within 30 minutes of the scheduled end of your rehearsal. If you need to make other arrangements for extended rehearsal time, there is an additional hourly charge for the Caretaker.

Church Access on your Wedding day:

The Caretaker will open the church for your wedding ceremony 60 minutes prior to the ceremony. Should you need to have earlier access for florists, photographers, decorators, videographers or for any reason please contact the church office at least seven days in advance to make special arrangements for this. The Caretaker will close the church within 60 minutes after the end of your wedding. If you need extended time after your wedding (example: for indoor photographs) there is an additional hourly charge for the Caretaker.

Confetti:

First Church does not allow the use of confetti on the church property. Real flower petals, real leaves or other living biodegradable plant materials are allowed but are only permitted outdoors. Please note that artificial flower petals are not permitted and are considered in the same light as confetti.

Note: In accordance with the policy of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, the Session of First Presbyterian Church, Regina has determined that for our congregation, marriage is a covenant between two people and, subject to this policy, is pleased to be a part of weddings on that basis.