

Congratulations!

This is a very important step in your life and we want to make your wedding day a wonderful experience and also provide you with resources to have a marriage filled with the love of Jesus Christ.

1. We **PROMISE** to provide Biblically-based and relationally-relevant counseling for you and your fiancé as our highest goal is to help you prepare for your life together as husband and wife.
2. We **PLEDGE** to provide a Christ-centered ceremony for you and your fiancé that will be meaningful and memorable and also incorporate your ideas and input.
3. We will be **PROMPT** in our communication and clarify dates and times with you so that everyone involved will know when we will meet and when the rehearsal and ceremony will be.
4. We will **PRAY** for you, your upcoming ceremony, and your future marriage. We promise to be here for you after your wedding ceremony if you ever need us for spiritual encouragement or support for your relationship.
5. We are going to have **FUN** together as we meet, make plans, and prepare for your special day. We thoroughly enjoy marriage preparation and hosting wedding ceremonies whether at SG or off-site.

STEP 1: SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT WITH A PASTOR

When you have a date planned for your wedding, call the church office. **Fill out pages 3–5 of this packet BEFORE you meet with a pastor.** Please be aware that the wedding and rehearsal dates and times **need to be approved** by one of our pastors before you make firm commitments for your reception and post rehearsal plans. Once you meet with a pastor and they agree to do the wedding, wedding and rehearsal dates and times will be reserved on the church calendar. We will make sure there are no other conflicts.

STEP 2: SCHEDULE PRE-MARRIAGE COUNSELING

You will be given instructions about our required pre-marriage counseling and pastoral sessions. It is most helpful if we are notified at least 9-12 months prior to your wedding. If your wedding is taking place in under 9 months, you should meet with a pastor ASAP. **We do require all couples to go through pre-marriage counseling.** One of our pastors will explain the process in the initial meeting.

STEP 3: CONNECT WITH THE WEDDING COORDINATOR

After you meet with a pastor and begin pre-marital counseling, you will be contacted by a Wedding Coordinator. The assigned Wedding Coordinator will contact you and will work with you on the details for your wedding **ceremony** and **rehearsal**. The Wedding Coordinator will conduct the rehearsal (normally 1-2 days before the wedding). Their purpose is to help your wedding ceremony run as smoothly as possible to make it easier for you to enjoy your wedding day. On the day of your wedding, the Wedding Coordinator will arrive early to make sure things are set up and will assist you in making sure everything goes as planned.

☞ *Wedding Coordinators do not become involved in the actual plans; i.e. choosing music, organization of the reception, rehearsal dinner, arrangements for flowers, decorations, photographers or videographers, wedding bulletins, etc. The Wedding Coordinator's primary purpose is to facilitate the rehearsal and actual wedding service.*

Shepherd's Gate does not provide wedding arches, pew/chair bows, unity candle or aisle runner. If these items are to be used, please arrange with your florist for delivery, set up and take down. We do have candelabras that you may use. The Wedding Coordinator would be happy to show them to you before you decide to use them.

Other people you may/will need to assist in your ceremony are:

1. **Sound Tech:** The job of this individual is to ensure that the microphones and music are at the desired volume levels. They will play any provided music that is needed before, during, or after the ceremony. The sound tech will make sure the music is played at the correct time.
2. **Musicians, vocalist and/or accompanist:** There is a lot of musical talent in our church, or you may have some people you wish to be involved in your ceremony. It will be up to you in deciding who you will use if you decide to have live music. Please contact the Wedding Coordinator for some suggestions of whom you might contact.

ORDAINED PASTOR

You will need an Ordained Pastor from our church to perform your ceremony. He will sit down with you in advance to plan out the details of the actual wedding ceremony (order of service, songs, readings, etc). If there are certain Scriptures that you would like to have read, or a theme you would like the pastor to work into his message, you can let him know. We have provided a list of some Scriptures you may wish to use. If you choose Scriptures not on this list, please speak to the pastor about your choice.

CHRISTIAN WORSHIP CEREMONY

Since this will be a Christian Worship Ceremony, we ask for the music used to reflect Christian themes. We have provided you with a list of musical titles that are pre-approved for appropriateness. If there is music that you wish to use that is not on this list, you will need to have it approved by the pastor at least 30 days before the wedding ceremony. In general, most classical music is appropriate. Broadway show music or pop culture music is usually not appropriate.

PHOTOGRAPHER/VIDEOGRAPHER

If you choose to hire photographers or a videographer, they need to be informed that they are not able to move around during the ceremony. Shepherd's Gate does not provide audio or video recordings, or the use of its equipment. No cameras or other video equipment may be set up at or near the altar area. All video recording must be stationary from the back of the church. Because

your wedding ceremony is a Christian worship service, there is to be no flash photography by the photographer or guests during the ceremony. For safety and environmental concerns, Shepherd's Gate does not allow the throwing of rice, confetti, birdseed or anything else. The launching of balloons is not permitted. The dropping of flower petals by the flower girl is acceptable if an aisle runner is used.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

To provide a positive, healthy, Christian environment for your guests during the rehearsal and ceremony, we do not allow alcoholic beverages on campus, personally carried, or consumed before your wedding ceremony. Those attending and participating in the rehearsal and wedding ceremony should not have been drinking prior to their participation. Celebratory beverages are best enjoyed during the reception!

REHEARSAL

It is very important all members of the bridal party, parents and anyone involved in the ceremony, readers, escorts of mothers, etc. be present at the rehearsal. Please allow enough time for traffic. (Helpful hint: you will need at least 2 ushers for guests up to 75 people; minimum of 3 for up to 100 guests, and minimum of 4 for over 100).

We hope these guidelines will be of help to you and answer many of your questions ahead of time. Other questions in regard to details of the wedding can be addressed to the Wedding Coordinator or the Officiating Pastor.

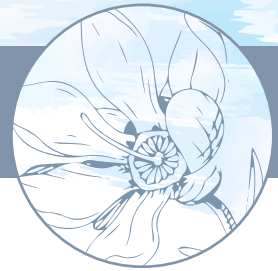
We are looking forward to your special day and will do everything we can to make the day a wonderful memory for you!

Please let us know if you have any additional questions.

SG Wedding Coordinator
(586) 731-4544
info@sgatechurch.org



Wedding Planning Agreement Shepherd's Gate Church



It is required that you complete this agreement and have a preliminary meeting with one of our pastors prior to scheduling your wedding on the church calendar. Please contact the church office to set up an appointment.

I, (groom) _____ and I, (bride) _____

desire to be married in a Christ-centered service at Shepherd's Gate Church, Shelby Township, Michigan

or another location approved by the Officiating Pastor on _____ at _____.
(Day/Date) (Time)

We would like to request Pastor _____. (We realize it will depend on his availability.)

The date of rehearsal will be _____ at _____ at _____.
(Day/Date) (Time) (Location)

We believe marriage is a sacred covenant instituted by God between a Christian man and a Christian woman. *As it states in 2 Corinthians 6:14, Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?*

In our desire to be wed in the presence of God, asking for His rich blessings of grace and love, we make known our love and joyous covenant to Him by declaring the following:

- I believe in God the Father who created me.
- I believe in Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit who has brought me to faith.

Groom Yes Not sure, but willing to talk with a pastor about this.

Bride Yes Not sure, but willing to talk with a pastor about this.

We understand that Shepherd's Gate Church is committed to assisting us in establishing a Christian marriage and a Christian home. In preparation for our wedding, we will:

- Attend church weekly and faithfully in order that we may grow in our relationship with God and each other.
- Receive pre-marriage counseling through Shepherd's Gate.
- Cooperate in planning a wedding ceremony that beautifully gives glory to God while uniting us in marriage.

I, (groom) am currently a member Yes No ----- I, (bride) am currently a member Yes No

If not currently a member, I am willing to attend **Explore SG** to learn more about Shepherd's Gate.

Groom Yes No ----- Bride Yes No

Genesis 2:18 & 24 state, the Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him." That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.

From the very beginning God instituted marriage.

Jesus also refers back to Genesis 2 in Matthew 19:4-6 and added these words, "So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

In marriage, God offers us the gift and the joy of a sexual union, and this union is to be saved for and in the context of marriage.

Hebrews 13:4 puts it this way, Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.

This is why part of the initial wedding meeting with a pastor will include discussing whether you are living together and/or whether you are sexually active before your wedding day. Please hear our hearts, this doesn't mean we won't be part of your wedding ceremony or your lives. We want what is best for you, and we want you to be fully prepared for what will be discussed during your time with one of our pastors.

We trust God with all aspects of our relationship and will patiently express our love for each other, saving the gift of sexual intimacy for marriage. This decision holds true even if we've been sexually active in the past. We see this commitment as a meaningful way to honor our faith and relationship. Yes No

We are currently living together. Yes No

If "yes", would you be willing to talk about this with a pastor? Yes No

We have reviewed the "Wedding Procedures" at Shepherd's Gate and agree to abide by them.

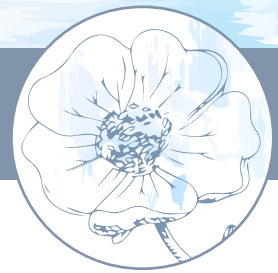
Groom Yes No ----- Bride Yes No

Groom Signature

Date

Bride Signature

Date



GROOM INFORMATION

Full Legal Name:

Date of Birth _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Occupation _____

Church Affiliation

- Member of Shepherd's Gate
- Guest of Shepherd's Gate
- Member of _____
- Guest of _____
- No Church Affiliation

Life Situation (Check all that Apply)

- This is my first marriage
- I've been married previously
- I have children (list age/s) _____
- I currently live locally
- I currently live out of town in _____

BRIDE INFORMATION

Full Legal Name:

Date of Birth _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Occupation _____

Church Affiliation

- Member of Shepherd's Gate
- Guest of Shepherd's Gate
- Member of _____
- Guest of _____
- No Church Affiliation

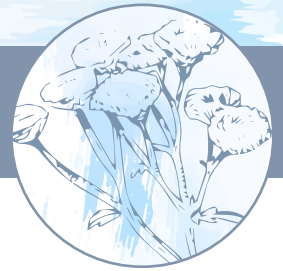
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Approval by officiating Pastor confirms the wedding date will be reserved.

Officiating Pastor

Date



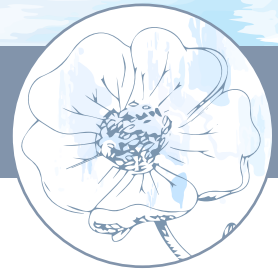
Pre-marriage counseling based on Biblical principles outlines the roles of the husband and wife as they relate to each other. Pre-marriage counseling is an excellent way to clear up misconceptions about marriage, set goals, and distinguish between God's standards and those of the world. It is crucial for you to meet with our counselor before you walk down the aisle. You will find your time with our counselor encouraging, challenging and uplifting.

Pre-marriage counseling is also an excellent venue in which to raise issues you may not have thought about from how you intend to manage finances, how you might split household chores, how you plan to handle holidays, how many children you would like to have, and so on. Our counselor will help you identify what you learned from your parents' marriages, and what you want to imitate or not imitate in your own marriage.

Solid, Biblical pre-marriage counseling will help you know how to work through problems and situations that will arise in our marriage. As a prospective bride and groom, we require you to commit to pre-marriage counseling as we know this is the best way to equip you for your future together as husband and wife.

Once you meet with one of our pastors, you will begin the pre-marriage counseling sessions. The cost for pre-marriage counseling is **\$500** which is paid directly to the counselor. This fee also includes an online assessment, books and materials.





Please note, if you are getting married at Shepherd's Gate, we do require you to use one of our Wedding Coordinators and sound techs. They are trained professionals who will help make your wedding ceremony run smooth. They will attend the rehearsal and make sure everything is set and ready to go for your wedding ceremony. Please include music title and artist in spaces below.

1

Pre-service music (seating of guest): _____

Processional music (bridal party):

Song: _____ Artist: _____

Bridal entrance music (bride and father of the bride):

Song: _____ Artist: _____

Who will bring in bride's mother: _____

Who will bring in groom's mother: _____

2

Scripture reading: _____

- Officiating Pastor
- Family member
- Guest _____

Opening prayer: _____

- Officiating Pastor
- Family member
- Guest: _____

Scripture (see wedding components): _____

3

Officiating Pastor will lead bride and groom through (see wedding components):

- Mutual Consent
- Exchange of Vows

- Traditional
- Modern
- Other

- Exchange of Rings
- Specialty Element:

- Unity Candle
- Mixing of Sand
- None
- Other

- Song during specialty element:

Song: _____

Artist: _____

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Officiating Pastor will do:

- Prayer of Blessing
- Benediction
- Pronouncement of Marriage
- You may kiss the bride yes no
- Presentation of Bride and Groom

Recessional Music (bridal party):

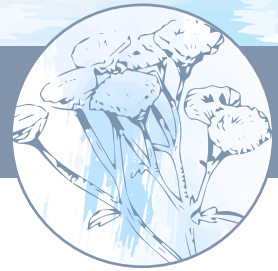
Song: _____

Artist: _____

Post-service music (dismissal of guests):

Song: _____

Artist: _____



Ceremony

Music & Sound

Bridal Party

I would like the Officiating Pastor to wear: suit robe other: _____

We will have: Photographer Videographer Flower for the altar
 Decorations for the chairs Aisle runner Printed bulletins

We would like to use the church's candelabras: yes no (couple must provide candles)

We would like the colors on the walls around the altar to be:

Behind cross: _____ Side Walls: _____

Please list all other decorating plans: _____

We would like to have a receiving line in the hallway after the ceremony: yes no

Are you planning:

live music (band, singer) music provided by bride/groom

If live, are you planning to use:

Guitar/Pianist & Singer _____

Other, please explain _____

Please list bridesmaids and groomsmen in the order you wish for them to stand up in the wedding ceremony

Maid/Matron of Honor: _____

Best Man: _____

Bridesmaids:

Groomsmen:

1. _____

1. _____

2. _____

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3. _____

3. _____

4. _____

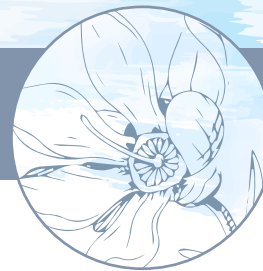
4. _____

5. _____

5. _____

Flower Girl _____

Ring Bearer _____



The following list of music titles is provided to assist you in your choice of music for your wedding service. If you have a music selection that is not listed, you must have it approved by the Officiating Pastor a minimum of one month before the wedding. If the selection has not been approved, we regret that the selection will not be allowed. In general, most classical music is acceptable. Broadway show tunes and pop music, in general, are not acceptable. Please clarify with officiating Pastor any questions in choice of music. Remember that your wedding is a worship service, and that the music needs to be reflective of a worship service. Music is listed in sections but you may choose to use any approved music for any part of your wedding ceremony.

Processional Music

Festival Bridal Chorus	Don Wyrzten
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee.....	Beethoven
Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring.....	Bach
Bridal Chorus (Traditional Wedding March)	Wagner
Trumpet Voluntary (<i>also called Prince of Denmark March</i>)	Clark
Courante from Three Lute Dances.....	Francisque
Adagio from Sonata in E-flat	Mozart
Air from water Music Suite I	Handel
Allegro from Brandenburg.....	Mozart
Prelude to Te Deum	Charpentier, Marc, Antoine
Canon in D.....	Pachelbell
Trumpet Tune.....	Stanley

Recessional Music

Trumpet Air.....	Purcell
Wedding March	Mendelssohn
Hornpipe	Handel
Ode to Joy	Beethoven
Trumpet Tune.....	Stanley
Allegro from Spring of The Four Seasons	Vivaldi

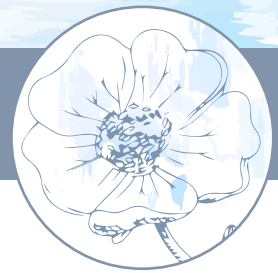
Others

Sheep May Safely Graze	Bach
Arrival of the Queen of Sheba from "Solomon"	Handel
First Movement from Brandenburg #1 in F	Bach
Toccatà from Organ Symphony #5	Widor
Rondo	Mouret

Modern Music Selections

With All My Heart	Babbie Mason
I Will Be Here	Steven Curtis Chapman
When I Say I Do	Matthew West
Love Never Fails.....	Brandon Heath
Hundred More Years.....	Francesca Battistelli
Carry You Through	One Glory
Two Becoming One.....	Johnathan & Emily Martin
Jesus & You	Matthew West
I Choose You.....	Ryan Darling
The Blessing.....	Kari Jobe
In Christ Alone.....	Passion
Be Thou My Vision.....	Shane & Shane
The Prayer	Andrea Bocelli
Soon.....	Hillsong United

Of course, any music selection used in any of Shepherd's Gate services is also approved.



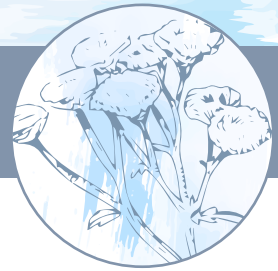
This is a typical order of service. You can use these sheets to help you fill in the “Order of Service Planning Sheet.” It is important to take time and discuss what you would like to have as part of your wedding ceremony. You will go over the details of the wedding ceremony with the officiating Pastor and Wedding Coordinator.

Ceremony

- Pre-Service Music
- Processional
 - Family (Grandparents & Parents)
 - Bridal Party
 - Bride & Father of the Bride
- Invocation/Prayer
- Scripture Reading
- Music (optional)
- Sermon
- Mutual Consent
- Marriage Vows
- Exchange of Rings
- Lighting of the Unity Candle/Mixing of Sand (optional)
- Prayer of Blessing
- Benediction
- Pronouncement of Marriage
- You may kiss the bride (optional)
- Presentation of the Bride and Groom (usually Mr. and Mrs. last name of groom)
- Recessional
- Post-Service Music

Things to consider:

- The order can be changed around. For example, add music or Scripture readings.
- You can also have a family member or friend do the Scripture reading or opening prayer.
- Do you want the lighting of the Unity Candle or Mixing of Sand? If no, do you want something else in its place?
- What songs do you want for your wedding ceremony and where do you want them in the service?



These are the elements that will be part of your wedding ceremony.

Mutual Consent.....

Pastor: "You will now state your mutual consent to enter into this union."

GROOM

_____, will you have this woman to be your wife, to live with her in holy marriage according to the Word of God? Will you love her, comfort her, honor her, and keep her in sickness and in health and, forsaking all others, be husband to her as long as you both shall live?

If so answer, "I Will" or "I Do".

BRIDE

_____, will you have this man to be your husband, to live with him in holy marriage according to the Word of God? Will you love him, comfort him, honor him and keep him in sickness and in health and, forsaking all others, be wife to him as long as you both shall live?

If so answer, "I Will" or "I Do".

Marriage Vows.....

Pastor: "You will now state your intent to enter this marriage by expressing your vows to one another."

TRADITIONAL

I, (name),
Take you (name),
A gift of God to me,
To be my (wife/husband),
To have and to hold from this day forward,
For better or for worse,
For richer, for poorer,
In sickness and in health,
To love and to cherish;
Until death do us part.

MODERN

I promise before God,
The church,
And our family and friends,
To commit my love to you,
To be with you through life's changes,
To respect your individuality,
To support you in your hopes and dreams,
To be obedient to the will of God,
And to live a God honoring marriage,
As long as we both shall live.

Exchange of the Rings.....

Pastor: "Having this love in your hearts, you have chosen to seal your vows by the giving and receiving of rings."

Name _____, I give you this ring -
As a pledge of my love -
And with all that I am -
And all that I have -
I honor you -
In the name of the Father -
And of the Son -
And of the Holy Spirit -
Amen

Scripture Readings

There are many great verses and scripture readings to use at a wedding ceremony. A wedding Bible verse can talk about love, the marriage relationship, faith, how to treat others, God's purpose for marriage or other topics. The importance of the wedding Bible verse or reading is to signal a bond between husband, wife and God. Here are some suggestions to read through as a couple and then let the pastor know which ones you would like read at your wedding.

LOVE WEDDING BIBLE VERSES

1 Corinthians 13:4-13 (NIV)

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. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me. Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

1 John 4:16-19 (NIV)

And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him. In this way, love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment, because in this world we are like him. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. We love because he first loved us.

WEDDING BIBLE VERSES ABOUT HOW TO TREAT YOUR SPOUSE

Ephesians 4:1-3 (NIV)

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

Colossians 3:12-19 (NIV)

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.

Scripture Readings

WEDDING BIBLE VERSES ABOUT MARRIAGE RELATIONSHIPS

Ruth 1:16-17 (NIV)

But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if anything but death separates you and me."

Ephesians 5:21-33 (NIV)

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." This is a profound mystery--but I am talking about Christ and the church. However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

BIBLE VERSES FOR WEDDINGS ABOUT WHY GOD MADE MARRIAGE

Genesis 2:18-24 (NIV)

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.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (NIV)

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.

Matthew 19:4-6 (NIV)

"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."

Wedding Day Fee Sheet Shepherd's Gate Church



Today's Date: _____

Bride: _____ Groom: _____

Rehearsal Day: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____ Location: _____

Wedding Day: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____ Location: _____

Officiating Pastor: _____ Wedding Coordinator: _____

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 There are 3 different fee structures based on the location of your wedding.

OPTION #1 Weddings at Shepherd's Gate		Cost	Person
Wedding Coordinator <i>Attends rehearsal and ceremony.</i>	The wedding coordinator will assist with directing people during the rehearsal and ceremony, setting up flowers, candles, aisle runner, etc. as well as working with you photographers and videographers.	\$200	
Sound Tech <i>Attends rehearsal and ceremony.</i>	The job of this individual is to ensure that the microphones and music are at the desired volume levels. They will play any provided music that is needed before, during or after the ceremony.	\$150	
Pastor (honorarium) <i>Attends ceremony only.</i>	The officiating pastor will meet two to three times with you to plan the details of your ceremony. The pastor will write a customized wedding sermon and ceremony that gives glory to God and also personalizes the message for the couple and their guests.	\$500	
<i>You are required to have a Wedding Coordinator and Sound Tech from SG.</i>			

OPTION #2 Weddings in our Local Community		Cost	Person
Wedding Coordinator <i>Attends rehearsal and ceremony.</i>	The wedding coordinator will assist with directing people during the rehearsal and ceremony, setting up flowers, candles, aisle runner, etc. as well as working with you photographers and videographers.	\$200	
Pastor (honorarium) <i>Attends ceremony only.</i>	The officiating pastor will meet two to three times with you to plan the details of your ceremony. The pastor will write a customized wedding sermon and ceremony that gives glory to God and also personalizes the message for the couple and their guests.	\$500	
<i>You are required to have a Wedding Coordinator from SG. You are NOT required to have Sound Tech from SG.</i>			

OPTION #3 Destination/Overnight Weddings		Cost	Person
Pastor (honorarium and travel expenses) <i>Attends rehearsal & ceremony.</i>	If you are requesting one of our pastors to travel overnight for your wedding, this fee includes money for travel expenses, meals and two nights for hotel accommodations.	\$1500	
<i>You are NOT required to have a Wedding Coordinator or Sound Tech from SG. The officiating pastor will attend the rehearsal for this option only.</i>			

Wedding Add-Ons		Cost	Person
Piano/Guitar Player and Singer <i>Attends rehearsal and ceremony.</i>	One of our musicians and singers are available if you would like to have live music at your wedding ceremony. They are able to learn new songs and can cover a wide range of musical options.	\$200	
Additional Singer	We have many singers at Shepherd's Gate who are available to join the guitar player for the music at your wedding.	\$200	
<i>Musicians and singers are not required. Please let the officiating minister know if you would like to add any of these options.</i>			

*Please Note: The pre-marriage counseling fee is due at the start of your first counseling appointment. All other payments are to be paid **one month prior to your wedding date**. Checks should be made out to the individual people and post-dated for day of the wedding. You can turn the checks into the SG office. Thank you.*

Option #1 (at SG): \$ _____
 Option #2 (in Community): \$ _____
 Option #3 (Destination): \$ _____
 Add-Ons: \$ _____
 Total: \$ _____