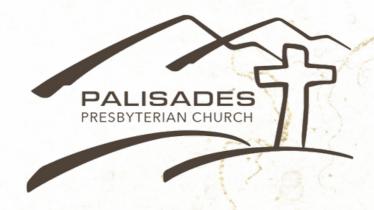


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Congratulations on your upcoming nuptials! We feel privileged to share with you in preparing for your marriage service.

According to the Presbyterian Church (USA) Book of Order (W-4.0601), "Marriage is a gift God has given to all humankind for the well-being of the entire human family. Marriage involves a unique commitment between two people, traditionally a man and a woman, to love and support each other for the rest of their lives. The sacrificial love that unites the couple sustains them as faithful and responsible members of the church and the wider community. In civil law, marriage is a contract that recognizes the rights and obligations of the married couple in society. In the Reformed tradition, marriage is also a covenant in which God has an active part, and which the community of faith publicly witnesses and acknowledges."

If you have any questions about what this means, that will be discussed with the pastor as you prepare for your wedding.

Steps to Your Ceremony

Once you decide you would like to hold your ceremony at Palisades, the next step is to reserve your ceremony date and ceremony rehearsal date with the wedding coordinator. The wedding coordinator and the Palisades pastor will then schedule a meeting with you to discuss specifics for your ceremony, with additional meetings scheduled as necessary.

Couples seeking to hold their marriage ceremony at Palisades Presbyterian Church will be required to meet with a Palisades pastor in advance of their ceremony. You will usually meet with the pastor two to three times prior to your ceremony, and the pastor can provide you with premarital counseling upon request.

The Palisades wedding coordinator, Sarah Dawson, will be your primary point of contact. She will assist in planning, setting up for, running, and cleaning up from your wedding ceremony and will coordinate with any other Palisades personnel you desire to have involved (vocalist, organist, accompanist, A/V technician, etc.). She is here to answer any questions you may have and is eager to make your wedding day all you hope it will be. If you have your own wedding coordinator, Sarah is happy to work with that coordinator to ensure everything runs smoothly.

Both the Palisades pastor and the wedding coordinator will be present for your ceremony rehearsal, which usually lasts approximately one (1) hour and takes place one or two days prior to the actual ceremony.

On the day of the ceremony, the church facilities are usually opened two (2) hours prior to the ceremony start time (please let the coordinator know if you would like additional time). There is a separate preparation/dressing room for each celebrant and their attendants. After the ceremony, the church facilities usually remain open for one (1) additional hour (please let the coordinator know if you would like additional time). We do request the members of the wedding party gather and remove all personal items from the church facilities within that time, so that nothing important is inadvertently left behind.

Spaces & Guidelines

Palisades has two ceremony spaces available for use:

- The sanctuary (inside): Equipped with heating and air conditioning, this space can comfortably seat 425 quests.
- The Point (outside): Our outdoor amphitheater will comfortably seat 150 guests.

The parking lot, serving both ceremony spaces, can accommodate up to 204 vehicles.

In accordance with the rules set by the Session of Palisades Presbyterian Church, please be prepared to abide by the following guidelines:

- All decorations are subject to consultation with the wedding consultant. No nails, thumbtacks, or screws may be used in decorating, and holly and pyracantha berries are prohibited.
- No rice, confetti, or birdseed may be used inside the church buildings.
- No smoking is allowed in or around any of the church buildings (there is a designated smoking area near the entrance to the church parking lot, if required).





The following are some of the supplies/decorations we have available for use during your ceremony:

- Two floor-length 7-candle candelabras
- One table 3-candle candelabra, which can serve as your unity candle
- White bows to decorate pews
- White tulle or silk rope for the aisles
- Disposable white aisle runner
- Two white/green topiary trees
- Two white stands with urns for floral arrangements
- Assorted white wicker baskets
- Kneeling bench and white satin pillow
- Assorted ring bearer pillows
- White plume pen for guest book

Please discuss the available supplies and decorations with the wedding coordinator to find the ideal decorating scheme for your ceremony.



Jees

A nonrefundable deposit of \$250 shall be paid at the time of your first meeting with the wedding coordinator. The remainder is due one (1) week before your ceremony.

Type of Fee	How to Pay	Member Amount	Non- Member Amount
Sanctuary Wedding Fee (Includes fees for the use of the sanctuary, the use of preparation rooms, the wedding coordinator, the custodian, and the use of any decorations provided by the church.)	Cash or check made payable to Palisades Presbyterian Church	\$500	\$1,000
The Point Wedding Fee (Includes fees for the use of the outdoor amphitheater, the use of preparation rooms, the wedding coordinator, the custodian, and the use of any decorations provided by the church.)	Cash or check made payable to Palisades Presbyterian Church	\$650	\$1,150
Minister (minimum honorarium) (Includes pre-wedding meetings, development of the wedding ceremony, and conducting the rehearsal and ceremony.)	Cash or check made payable to the pastor	Members are not required to give the pastor an honorarium, but some choose to.	\$300

