



PRE-MARITAL AGREEMENT

It is very important to us at Community Church, that when a man and woman come together in marriage before God, they are genuinely committed to each other and live to promote love and peace in their household. Marriage is a commitment between a man and a woman, which involves the whole person, and we desire you to have a loving, healthy, life-long, enjoyable marriage. We have, therefore, outlined the following agreement to help ensure that your marriage is set up to be strong, lasting, and honoring to God.

By signing, you both agree to the statements below:

- We are both devoted followers of Jesus Christ
- We call Community Church our home
- We promise to pursue spiritual growth with each other from now until forever.
- We will participate in a minimum of four pre-marital counseling sessions with an approved facilitator or counselor.
- Prior to marriage, we will live in separate households, or if currently living in the same household, we will diligently seek separate living arrangements.
- We will maintain sexual purity in our relationship and abstain from sexual unity until bound together as husband and wife under the strong commitment of marriage and the ordinance of God.
- We agree to the fees laid out in this document and will bring payment to our first session with the officiant.

If this agreement is not fulfilled, or the pastor perceives major problems with the marriage, then the pastor may decline to perform the wedding service.

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signature

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EXPECTATIONS

Timeline & To-Do's

1. Review Pre-Marital Agreement and Wedding Guidelines
2. Confirm availability of preferred wedding date.
3. Fill out the wedding request form and pay the \$50 deposit.
4. The Officiant will contact you to coordinate the first meeting.
5. Meet with the Pastor.
 - a. Bring in your signed pre-marital agreement
 - b. Discuss Community Church's approach to pre-marital preparation
 - c. Ask for the Pastor's blessing to marry you as a couple.
 - d. Pay officiant making checks out to the Pastor.
6. Participate in pre-marital counseling sessions.
 - a. Christian Counseling of Mid-Michigan 989.317.4644.
 - b. Contact one of our certified Prepare/Enrich Facilitators on staff at 989.773.3641
7. Follow up with the Pastor:
 - a. Pre-wedding meeting
 - b. Rehearsal
 - c. Day of wedding details
 - d. Secure a follow-up meeting with the Pastor to go over final details.
8. Submit final payment (30 days out)
9. Request and Collect Marriage Certificates
10. Participate in the Rehearsal
11. Get married!



GENERAL INFORMATION

Location

We currently offer the Alma, Mount Pleasant, and St Johns campuses for wedding ceremonies. Due to mid-week programming, worship rehearsals, and Sunday morning services, the only available day for weddings at this location are Saturdays.

Officiating the Wedding

All weddings at any Community Church campus must be officiated by an approved member of the Community Church staff team. Exceptions to include family members or friends of the family must be discussed and approved by a Community Church pastor.

Decorations

Decorations are allowed and can be set up on the Friday before the wedding. All decorations need to be removed immediately following the wedding.

Not Permitted

We kindly ask that the following are not used inside or outside the building.

- Décor-Confetti, Glitter
- Food – Cotton Candy, popcorn, rice

Outdoors Only

- Real flower petals
- Butterflies
- Birdseed

Permitted

- Artificial flower petals
- Candles enclosed in secured glassware on a stable surface.
- Bubbles



GENERAL INFORMATION

Ceremony Set Up

We reserve space for the ceremony based on availability. Alongside this, we will reserve space for the bridal party and space for the groom's attendants, so they can have a place to prepare and wait prior to the ceremony. The couple should provide an estimated time of arrival so that the rooms are ready upon arrival.

SEATING CAPACITY

MP Campus Auditorium	550
- Chapel	110
- Classrooms	40
- Loft	50
Alma Campus	TBD
St. Johns Campus	200

Media

LIGHTING

Soft, fixed lighting is provided. However, if you desire the lighting to change, discuss other lighting options with the Tech Coordinator.

SOUND

A sound technician will be provided for the wedding ceremony. All music must be provided by the couple. All music (prelude, ceremony, and postlude) should be saved to Spotify and the technician should be notified regarding the published playlist 2 weeks prior to the wedding date.

VIDEOS

Videos are welcome during the wedding ceremony; however, a consultation with Community Church Worship Tech Coordinator is required before approval. It is recommended that you send any videos 4 weeks in advance of your wedding to the Tech Coordinator to ensure there are no problems with the digital file. If you are requesting our tech team to create a video for you by requesting a recording of your ceremony, a \$25 hourly fee will apply.



COMMUNITY CHURCH FEES

The following fees are to offset the costs of services provided

Community Church Facility and Staff Fees

- \$50 non-refundable deposit is due in order to initiate the wedding process including securing a preferred date.
- \$400 (\$350 total remaining after deposit)

WEDDING PACKAGE FEE INCLUDES

- Ceremony Preparation
- Custodial Staff (4 hours*)
- Audio/Video/Lighting Technician (4 hours*)

**Minimum block of 4 hours is required and is generally sufficient to cover most rehearsals and weddings. Should you need additional time on-site with facilities or AVL support, or if you wish to have your ceremony recorded via video additional fees will apply.*

- Final payments for the wedding fees are to be made 4 weeks prior to the wedding date. Please submit your final payment to:

Community Church
ATTN: Weddings
1400 West Broomfield Street
Mount Pleasant, MI 48858

**Please reference your last names and wedding date when sending payment.*

Officiant Fee *

\$300 For Weddings within 30 miles of the Officiant's home city.

Community Church Pastors and staff take the preparation for a wedding ceremony seriously and dedicate time to making it a memorable experience for the Bride and Groom. The following are included in this fee

- 1-2 pre-wedding meetings to plan the ceremony
- Preparation for the wedding message and ceremony
- Wedding Rehearsal
- Wedding Ceremony
- Travel up to a 30 miles radius included for rehearsal and ceremony.



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Officiant Fee * cont'd

Additional Travel Considerations

- Beyond 30 miles, the IRS mileage reimbursement rate will be added
- To best care for our wedding officiants, we kindly request that for weddings beyond 2 hours one way of travel, you provide overnight accommodations for the officiant and their spouse nearby your wedding venue.

**Payment can be made directly to the officiant at your first meeting with the officiant.*

Pre-Marital Counseling

- Christian Counseling of Mid-Michigan 989.317.4644
 - \$35 Prepare and Enrich online assessment.
 - \$250 flat rate to CCMM: Length is 4-6 sessions.
- Certified Prepare and Enrich Facilitator from Community Church 989.773.3641
(dependent on availability)
 - \$35 Prepare and Enrich online assessment
 - \$200 for 4-6 pre-marital sessions (payment can be made directly to Facilitator)