

The Christian Wedding

The Christian Wedding is intended to be a time of celebration. Specifically it is a celebration of God's love in Jesus Christ discovered in the gift of love between a man and a woman.

Marriage is a gift God has given to all human kind for the well being of the entire human family. Marriage is a civil contract between a woman and a man. For Christians marriage is a covenant through which a man and a woman are called to live out together before God, their lives of discipleship. In a service of Christian marriage a lifelong commitment is made by a woman and a man to each other, publicly witnessed and acknowledged by the community of faith.

It is a time to give God praise for bringing you together. It is also a time of recognizing God's presence in your relationship and committing to participate in that presence throughout your marriage, "...for as long as we both shall live."

This time of celebration can be especially meaningful with a ceremony held in a spiritual, historical, and romantic location.

For many years the "Little Church at the Crossroads" has been a popular place for weddings. The mountain valley setting, the rural architecture and the beautiful stained glass windows have been an inspiration for many. The intention of this setting is the celebration of God's love.

As of 1996, the church also offers a beautiful new addition that is in keeping with the Gothic architecture and the original intention of the building. There is a large bridal changing room with restrooms and shower.

The pastor you choose and the marriage preparation he or she provides is very important Please ask your pastor to help you with this. Care is taken during these preparation meetings to plan the wedding in accordance with the meaning of the Christian marriage and with special attention given to the hopes and wishes of the bride and groom. The pastor will get to know the couple during these sessions as well as allow the couple to explore the meaning of their relationship as they prepare for marriage. This time provides the opportunity for the pastor to bring a personal element to the wedding service.

A Christian wedding ceremony and the man and woman professing their Christian faith in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior is a requirement for using the Lamoille Community Presbyterian Church.

Seating Capacity: The church seats 110. No Alcohol or smoking is permitted on the church property.



Pastors

The services performed in Lamoille are to be of Christian content. If you wish, you may ask a Christian Pastor to perform your service or the church can make the pastoral arrangements for you.

The property host will spend more time with your wedding if you use another pastor in order to acquaint him or her with the procedures of the church.. For your own benefit, please confirm your pastor, dates, and time prior to making payments or confirming the church.

Property Host

The property host serves you to assist with making rehearsal and wedding times and arrangements. The host makes sure that the church is clean for your wedding. The host is there to help with the details of your rehearsal. The host is on hand during the rehearsal and wedding to help you feel comfortable and to answer any questions you may have as well as keep the ceremony participants, and guests in accordance with the regulations of the church. The host will also direct you to any outside services that the wedding party may need. The host is not responsible for outside legal requirements or obtaining outside services.

Scheduling

Weddings are performed on Saturday. Wedding requests for other than Saturday must have prior approval.

Rehearsals are for one hour on Friday afternoon or evening no later than 6:00 p.m. Any other time or day must be approved in advance.

Marriage preparation meetings with your pastor may take from one to three hours. You may contact the pastor directly to make arrangements for these meetings by calling their church office.



The church sanctuary is available for rent on an hourly basis (2 hour minimum) and may be reserved for a total of five hours, including a rehearsal prior to the service. A property host is required to be on site at all times.

Hourly rate-Sanctuary \$150.00 Pastoral Fee \$150.00



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