

Wedding Planning Worksheet

*St. John's Lutheran Church
40 Second Street
Slatington, Pennsylvania 18080*

Wedding Date: _____ Preferred Ceremony Time: _____

Rehearsal Date: _____ Preferred Rehearsal Time: _____

Wedding Location: _____

Personal Information

Full Name of Partner 1: _____

Member of St. John's Lutheran Church Yes No

If not a member, please list church affiliation: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Children: _____

Full Name of Partner 2: _____

Member of St. John's Lutheran Church Yes No

If not a member, please list church affiliation: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Children: _____

Couple's Future Address: _____

Wedding Party Information

Number of People in Wedding Party for Partner 1: _____

Name(s): _____

Number of People in Wedding Party for Partner 2: _____

Name(s): _____

Name of Maid / Matron of Honor: _____

Name of Best Man: _____

Flower Girl ___ Yes ___ No Name and age: _____

Ring Bearer ___ Yes ___ No Name and age: _____

Junior Bridesmaid ___ Yes ___ No Name: _____

Junior Groomsman ___ Yes ___ No Name: _____

Personal Attendant ___ Yes ___ No Name: _____

Ushers ___ Yes ___ No Name(s): _____

Other Attendants not listed above: _____

Parents of Partner 1: _____

Parents of Partner 2: _____

Wedding Processional

Will there be a wedding processional? ___ Yes ___ No

How will the couple enter the service? _____

How will the wedding party enter the service? _____

The Order of Service

Type of Music: ___ Church Organist / Pianist ___ Other Musician ___ Pre-Recorded Music
(*outdoor ceremonies only*)

If pre-recorded music is chosen, the couple will be responsible for choosing a friend, family member, or vendor (the DJ, for example) to play the recording during the ceremony.

Person responsible for playing the pre-recorded music (*if applicable*):

Prelude Music: _____

Postlude Music: _____

Solo ___ Yes ___ No Soloist: _____

Name of Solo song (*if applicable*): _____

Other Special Music (*if applicable*): _____

Lessons and/or readings read by family and/or friends (*choose up to three*): ___ Yes ___ No

Name of Reader(s): _____

Will Holy Communion be celebrated in the service? ___ Yes ___ No

Other Possible inclusions in the service (*check the things you want included*):

___ Passing the Peace

___ Embrace (“The Kiss”)

___ Other: _____

Choice of Lessons

You may select four readings from the Bible. One should come from the Old Testament, one from the Psalms, one from the New Testament, and one from the Gospels. If desired, you may omit a Psalm selection. The following are some suggested readings. You may choose other readings with the pastor’s guidance.

If the marriage is being celebrated in a non-traditional location (such as an outdoor setting), you may select one non-Scripture reading. You may bring all ideas to the pastor when planning the order of the service.

Circle, underline, or highlight your selections:

Old Testament	Psalm	New Testament	Gospel
Genesis 1:26-31	Psalm 33	Romans 8:31-35, 37-39	Matthew 5:13-16
Genesis 2:18-24	Psalm 100	Romans 12:1-2, 9-18	Matthew 19:4-6
Genesis 24:48-51; 58-67	Psalm 117	1 Corinthians 13:1-13	Matthew 22:35-40
Song of Solomon 2:8-14; 8:6-7a	Psalm 127	Ephesians 5:21-33	Mark 10:6-9
Isaiah 63:7-9	Psalm 128	Colossians 3:12-17	John 2:1-10
Jeremiah 31:31-32a, 33-34a	Psalm 136	1 Peter 3:1-9	John 15:9-12
	Psalm 150	1 John 3:18-24	John 15:12-17
		1 John 4:7-12	

Desired Scripture passage(s) not listed above: _____

Desired non-scripture reading (*if applicable*): _____

Choice of Vows

Consider the vows, or promises, you will make to one another during the service. You may choose to write your own vows and promises to one another, or you may choose one of the standard options provided below:

OPTION A: I take you, name, to be my *wife/husband/spouse* from this day forward, to join with you and share all that is to come, and I promise to be faithful to you until death parts us.

OPTION B: In the presence of God and this community, I, name, take you, name, to be my *wife/husband/spouse*; to have and to hold from this day forward, in joy and in sorrow, in plenty and in want, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, as long as we both shall live.

OPTION C: I take you, name, to be my *wife/husband/spouse*, and these things I promise you: I will be faithful to you and honest with you; I will respect, trust, help, and care for you; I will forgive you as we have been forgiven; and I will share my life with you, through the best and worst of all that is to come, until death parts us.

OPTION D: I take you, name, to be my *wife/husband/spouse*, from this time onward, to join with you and to share all that is to come, to give and to receive, to speak and to listen, to inspire and to respond, and in all circumstances of our life together to be loyal to you with my whole life and with all my being until death parts us.

OPTION E: I, name, take you, name, to be my *wife/husband/spouse*, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, until we are parted by death. This is my solemn vow.

OPTION F: I, name, give myself to you, name. By the grace of God, I promise to support and care for you. In the love of Christ, I promise to love and cherish you. With the Spirit's help, I promise to be faithful to you, as long as we both shall live.

Vow Selection: Option A Option B Option C
 Option D Option E Option F
 Write Your Own

Would you like the church's assistance in preparing service bulletins? Yes No

Numerous options for your wedding bulletin are available and may be designed and/or printed by either the church office, by you, or by a combination thereof. If you choose to do all or most of this task, the office will provide an outline and all necessary worship texts. The final draft will need to be approved by both the church office and the couple. The church will prepare the bulletins for a fee of \$20.00.

Additional Information

Photographer ___ Yes ___ No Name: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Videographer ___ Yes ___ No Name: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Name of Florist: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

If the service is happening at the church:

What time will the florist drop off the flowers? _____

If the service is outdoors – what contingency plans are in place in the event of inclement weather?

- We acknowledge that the pastor is prohibited by law to perform the ceremony without a Marriage License in her possession before the wedding.
- We acknowledge that the pastor is prohibited by law to perform the ceremony if either partner in the couple is intoxicated and/or under the influence of illegal substances.

Please share any additional details or requests for the service:

