



ONE CHURCH IN THREE LOCATIONS

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Information Concerning Wedding Services Church Members

The Wedding Service at Cathedral International the Historic Second Baptist Church is a special and sacred worship event. A couple stands in the presence of God and the congregation to commit their lives one to the other. It is our desire to see that your wedding is one that will bring honor to God.

We believe in marriage as a God ordained spiritual, religious and legal union between a man and a woman entered into upon mutual consent (Genesis 2:18-25) and thus, will only perform marriage ceremonies between a man and a woman. We do not recognize nor affirm same sex marriages.

The following requirements are MANDATORY to ensure the flow of the worship and the dignity of the service. Our prayers, love and support are with you.

1. Every couple MUST COMPLETE THE REQUIRED 8 PRE-MARITAL COUNSELING CLASSES. Once the Church Coordinator receives this information, you will be eligible to secure a wedding date on Cathedral International church calendar.
2. After the above sessions have been completed, the couple must engage a professional psychologist for a minimum of three sessions. A letter from the psychologist must be given to the *Cathedral Community Counseling Center, Attention: Dr. Deniece Reid at 205 Smith Street, Perth Amboy, NJ 08861 • 732-585-4040* upon completion no later than 60 days prior to wedding date. A final appointment will be set up with the senior pastor or officiant to discuss your wedding ceremony after receiving the letter.
3. FORTY DAYS prior to your wedding ceremony, you will receive an invoice from the Church Coordinator for the various services YOU ARE REQUESTING (i.e., Musician, Custodian, etc.). All fees must be paid in full 2 weeks prior to wedding.
4. The purchase of decorations, flowers, unity candles and the runner (125 feet) for the church will be the responsibility of the couple. However, the appropriations of the above must be discussed with the assigned Church Coordinator. If you have secured a wedding coordinator, YOUR coordinator should consult with the ASSIGNED church CONSULTANT at least 30 days prior to your wedding date. TO ENSURE ADHERENCE TO THE PRE-ESTABLISHED POLICES AND PROCEDURES OF CATHEDRAL INTERNATIONAL. Any special arrangements must be discussed with THE ASSIGNED Church Coordinator.
5. A copy of your final wedding program must be submitted to the Church Coordinator two weeks prior to your wedding ceremony for approval. Please do not submit your program to a printer before it has been approved.
6. Picture taking by anyone other than the assigned photographer is FORBIDDEN during the wedding service.
7. There is to be **NO SMOKING** on church premises.
8. All wedding and rehearsal dates must be finalized with the Church Coordinator, including time changes.
9. On the designated day of your wedding, the ceremony must begin on time. If your ceremony begins late, a late charge of \$25.00 for each 15-minute interval will be incurred per person.
10. You may engage a videographer of your choice; however, we encourage you to explore additional referrals through the Cathedral Media Ministry. PLEASE CALL Brian Major at (732) 826-5293 ext. 1205 FOR MORE INFORMATION.
11. While weddings are a special time for all involved, they cause alterations in the daily schedules of those responsible for the service. **\$25 per facility worker including officiant will be added every 15 minutes as a Late Fee**
12. Please contact the Church Coordinator for referrals regarding the following: *Wedding Planners/Coordinators, Professional photographers Caterers, Music (reception), Decorators, Floral arrangements, Printing services/ Invitations, Dance Ministry*