

Weddings at First United Methodist Church

We at First United Methodist Church of Stafford Springs are delighted to share with you in the joyous occasion of your wedding. Christian marriage is a lifelong relationship of trust and love based upon the grace of Jesus Christ.

Your Wedding Here

The service is a sacramental event, an act of public worship with your invited family and friends. The service of marriage is an occasion when two persons declare to each other before God, their friends and their family, their faith, and their desire to be united through the church in a new and lasting relationship with Christ as a partner. We are happy to work with you in planning this special event of sharing your love and commitment with each other.

Our Sanctuary & Facility

The sanctuary is located on the second floor.

With a center aisle, there is ample seating for 150 or more in our air conditioned sanctuary.

Handicapped Accessible rest rooms are available on both floors, with full sized elevator to assist.

Parking including Handicap designated spaces is available for 50 cars.

Additional parking is available on Church Street adjacent to the church building.

Our multiple entrance parking lot is readily accessible for limousine service.

In the tradition of the United Methodist Church, alcoholic beverages are not allowed on the premises. Smoking is available only in the designated location; of course, this is a Smoke Free facility.

Food and beverages (water only) are not allowed in the sanctuary.

Planning Ahead

An appointment should be made with the pastor to begin plans for your wedding. Please call the office at 860-684-2468 to schedule an appointment. Weddings are officiated by the pastor and hosted with the assistance of our Wedding Coordinator. *The time to begin your plans for a wedding ceremony at the church is about 12 months before your expected wedding date.* This will provide the time necessary to reserve the dates for pre-marital meetings with the pastor, rehearsal and wedding day scheduling.

The Music

Our Music Director and organist may be available to assist with the music for the wedding. We have a European 19th Century, Tracker Pipe Organ and piano available. Substitute organists are designated only by the discretion of our Music Director.

Vocal soloists, other instrumentalists, or recorded selections may be coordinated through our Music Director.

Remuneration

The costs associated with providing the facility for your wedding, music and professional services will be discussed as scheduling begins with the pastor.

Photography and Videography

Guests and Professional photographers are to take flash pictures only during the processional and recessional. The Wedding takes place in the context of sacred worship photographers are to be as invisible as possible while working to record this special day for you. No flash photography is permitted during the wedding ceremony. The sanctuary is available for wedding party photographs following the service.