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Your Wedding at Prince of Peace

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Important Contacts

At Prince of Peace, we believe in Christian marriage and want each couple to have a beautiful wedding and a lifetime of love for each other. We will do all that we can to help this goal become a reality.

Christian marriage begins with a wedding ceremony where Christ is the center. A wedding is a worship service that celebrates the love of God and our love for each other. We want to help you plan a wedding that is consistent with the Christian understanding of marriage.

We are pleased that you've chosen Prince of Peace for your wedding. Listed below are some of the people who will be working with you to help make your wedding the beautiful and meaningful event you want it to be.

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First Steps

The following arrangements should be completed before making further plans for your wedding.

The Date

Call the church office to set the date for your wedding. Do this as far in advance of the wedding as possible. A letter of confirmation will be sent to you once the date has been approved. A nonrefundable deposit of \$100.00 must be received within two weeks to hold the date. After that time, the date will be reopened for other scheduling.

We have a 5:30 p.m. Saturday evening worship service at Prince of Peace. For that reason, the sanctuary must be available from 4:30 to 6:45 p.m. A 3:30 wedding cannot have pictures following the wedding or a bride and groom-ushered exit.

We will not schedule anything in the sanctuary during the time you have scheduled your wedding. However, please be aware that unforeseen situations such as funerals may arise. Your wedding date and time will not be compromised, yet it may become necessary to dress in an area other than the one originally planned or to briefly delay the placement of your wedding decorations. If an occasion such as this should arise, we will notify you as soon as possible. All we ask for is your understanding and patience.

The Pastor

The pastors at Prince of Peace want to help you with your wedding and marriage. Pastors are assigned weddings according to their availability, but if you have a preference, please state that at the time you request a date for the church. The pastors will do their best to accommodate your request, however, the final decision will be based on their schedules and commitments. Once a pastor has been assigned, that decision is final and no changes will be made.

Normally, the pastor will not attend rehearsals for weddings.

Guest Pastor

Prince of Peace welcomes other pastors to be involved in your service if that is your desire. However, the Prince of Peace pastor is the officiating pastor and will make decisions regarding service leadership. The Prince of Peace wedding consultant and the Prince of Peace pastor will be the final authority on all things that pertain to your wedding. A guest pastor will be invited to participate at various and appropriate places in the ceremony.

The Wedding Coordinator

All weddings at Prince of Peace will be assigned a wedding coordinator. As soon as the assignment is made, you will be notified by mail or by email. Please contact your coordinator who will proceed to assist you in the planning of flowers, candles, ushers, seating of guests, music and overall preparation regarding your wedding service. Your coordinator will be available for phone conversations and/or further meetings as plans progress, conduct the rehearsal, be with you on your wedding day and assist you wherever possible.

The Rehearsal

The rehearsal is important and everyone in the wedding party should attend. Your wedding coordinator will conduct this event. Rehearsals, usually held the day before the wedding, take approximately one hour and must begin and end on time. A rehearsal time must be arranged with the church wedding scheduler at the same time the wedding is scheduled.

Organists/Musicians

The Prince of Peace organist, Bruce Becker, will normally play at all weddings where organ music is desired. **It is the responsibility of the bride and/or groom to contact Bruce to reserve the date with him and discuss the music.** His phone number is 952-688-8251. Typically, the organist will not attend the wedding rehearsal. Before arrangements are made with musicians, please read the section about music in this booklet and discuss your plans with the pastor.

It is our recommendation that only trained and highly skilled organists are scheduled to play for your wedding service. Our qualified staff of organists at Prince of Peace will be happy to support your plans for music in your worship celebration. Bruce Becker (952-688-8251) and Handt Hanson (952-898-9319) have a list of organists who are qualified to play this instrument.

Marriage Preparation/Counseling

The pastors expect all couples to attend the Marriage Preparation Course at Prince of Peace. They believe that you want to begin your married relationship with as many tools as you can gather for a lifetime of growth together. One of these tools is the Marriage Preparation Course, which is offered three different times during the year. By participating in this course, you are making an important decision to invest more deeply in what God has given you — each other and your relationship.

The Marriage Preparation Course consists of five 2-hour sessions during which you will have the opportunity to look more intentionally at your relationship. With the help of several presenters, who will share thoughts and insights into building healthy and growing relationships to last a lifetime, you will discover ways to insure that your relationship thrives. This course and meetings with the pastor and wedding coordinator provide the 12 hours needed for the marriage license discount.

Marriage License

Minnesota law requires couples to secure a license to marry. It must be applied for a minimum of seven days before the wedding at any Clerk of Court office in the state. Both parties need to be present to sign the application. There is a fee for the license. The license should be brought to the church office for the scheduler at least 10 days prior to the wedding. At that time, please bring in the green Marriage Information sheet, which includes the names (full legal names with middle names or initials) of the two witnesses, usually the best man and maid/matron of honor.

Other Considerations

Decorations

Prince of Peace offers special appointments for the altar area for your wedding.

- ♦ Wedding kneeler
- ♦ Unity candle/memory candle stand
- ♦ 8 aisle candle stands
- ♦ A variety of plant stands
- ♦ 2 candelabras

The church season is reflected in altar and lectern paraments. These paraments will be present during the wedding ceremony and will not be changed. Generally, you can expect the altar and lectern paraments to be as follows:

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| ♦ Advent (four weeks prior to Christmas) | Blue |
| ♦ Epiphany (January 1 to Ash Wednesday) | White/Green |
| ♦ Lent (Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday) | Purple |
| ♦ Palm Sunday and Holy Week | Red |
| ♦ Season of Easter (Easter Day and seven weeks following) | White |
| ♦ Season of Pentecost (June, July, August, September, October and November) | Green |

The altar will always remain dressed with two candle stands, the missal stand, and book and seasonal paraments. You are welcome to add a live floral arrangement to the altar, but none of the altar appointments will be removed.

A unity candle is often desired. The church provides a stand for the unity candle (up to 4" in diameter) and two taper holders (1" in diameter). These candles are provided by the couple and can only be used on top of the unity candle stand. **Note: We do not allow "wax" candles to be used anywhere in the worship space except on the unity candle/memory candle stands.**

If you choose to use an aisle runner, which is available through your florist, it needs to be 75 feet long.

Ushers

A minimum of two ushers (more may be helpful if over 100 guests are expected) are necessary to light candles, seat guests, etc. Ushers should be mature and responsible, as the nature of their tasks require confidence and decisiveness, as well as responding to any emergency that may arise.

Photography

For morning and afternoon weddings, pictures should start no earlier than three hours before the ceremony is to begin. We encourage most pictures to be taken before the wedding, but all photography must be completed at least *45 minutes* prior to the service. Please notify your photographer of this requirement. No flash pictures will be taken during the wedding ceremony. Arrangements surrounding the formal photo session should be discussed with the consultant.

Bulletins

It is helpful, but not necessary, to have a printed bulletin to inform guests of the order of service and the names of participants in the wedding. You will need to make an appointment with the pastor to discuss and approve the bulletin and order of service. If you would like Prince of Peace to produce your bulletin, contact Karen Helle (952-898-9317) at the church office. *Wedding bulletin covers must be ordered a minimum of four weeks prior to the wedding. The order of service needs to be turned in to the church office at least two weeks prior to the wedding.*

Audio Recording

A CD audio recording will be made of all sanctuary ceremonies, and a copy given to the wedding couple. In the sanctuary, an audio technician from Prince of Peace will be servicing your audio needs and will arrive for set-up and sound check approximately one hour prior to the ceremony.

Some Additional Notes

- ♦ The wedding is a Prince of Peace worship service. Participants and guests should conduct themselves accordingly.
- ♦ We do not allow the use of any video screens in conjunction with a wedding.
- ♦ We do not allow the throwing of rice inside or outside of the church building. It is hazardous on floors and difficult to clean up.
- ♦ Plans to use a ring bearer or flower girl should be discussed with the pastor.
- ♦ The chancel arrangement in our sanctuary generally stays the same. However, there is a possibility that during some seasons of the church there could be items in the chancel area (such as plants, banners, or seasonal trees) that cannot be moved.
- ♦ It is a good idea to bring food to eat while the bride, groom and attendants are dressing. Check with your wedding consultant for location for set-up.
- ♦ All clothing, purses, etc. must be removed from both dressing areas *before* the wedding party walks down the aisle. It is the responsibility of the wedding party to arrange for the care of their property before, during, and after the ceremony. Leave all valuable personal belongings and gifts in the care of parents, friends or attendants during the service. The church is not responsible for lost or stolen articles.
- ♦ If gifts are brought to the church, the church assumes no responsibility for them. Someone should be in charge of gifts at all times.

Wedding Bulletin Logo

A wedding is a Prince of Peace worship service and an extension of our church mission. In order to continue to live out our mission in every aspect of our ministry, we **require that all worship bulletins at Prince of Peace include the Prince of Peace logo and worship times.** The logo shown below should be copied onto the back of your wedding bulletin. An electronic version of the logo with worship times is available on our website at www.princeofpeaceonline.org/marriage.

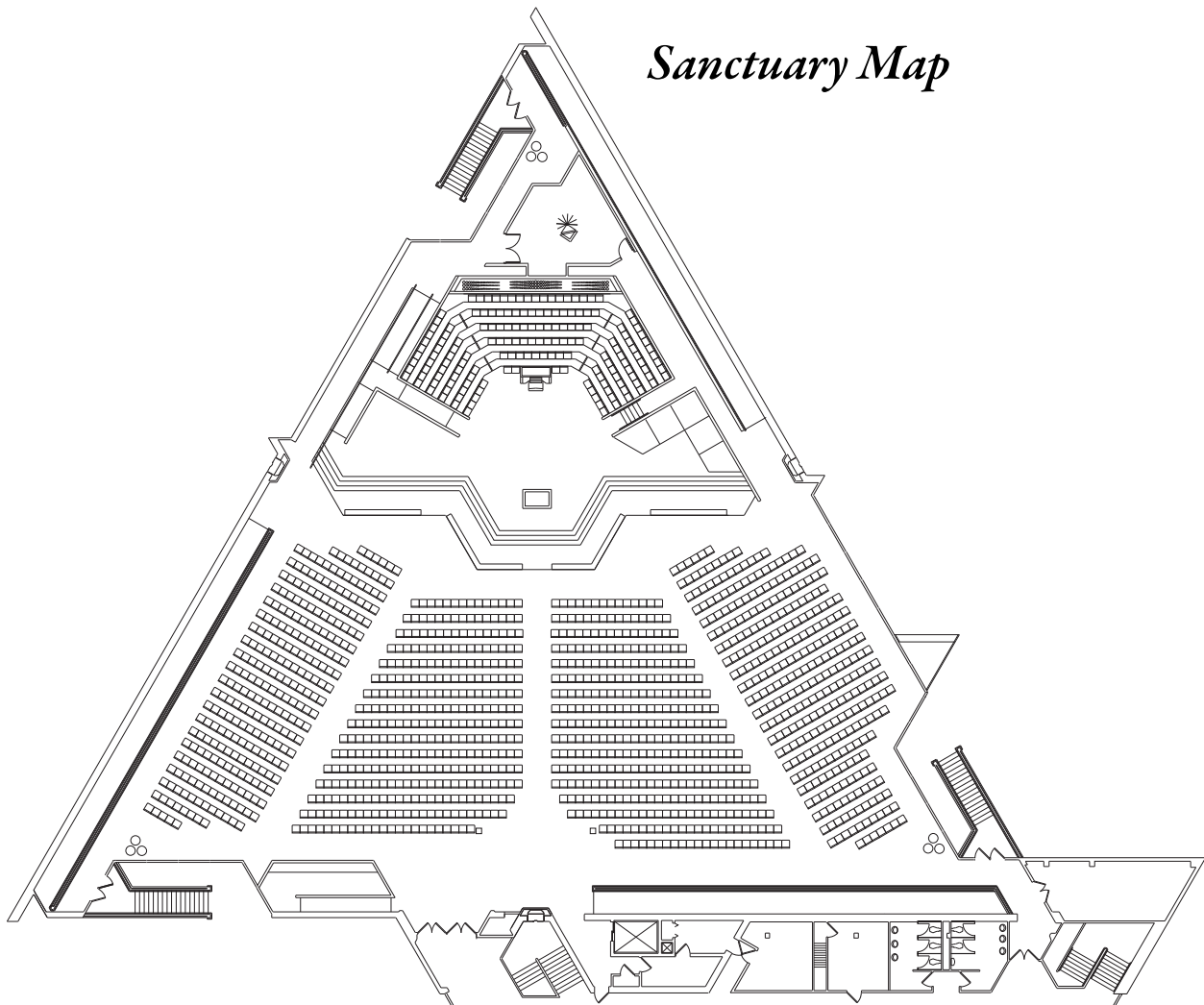


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Join us for worship at Prince of Peace!

Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.,

Sundays at 8:30, 9:45 (ASL) & 11:00 a.m.



Wedding Service Example

The Marriage Celebration Uniting

_____ & _____

(month, day, year) _____

(time) _____

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
Burnsville, Minnesota

Prelude

Processional _____

Greeting and Prayer

Scripture Readings _____

Music _____

The Wedding Message

Music _____

Exchange of Vows

Exchange of Rings

Lighting of the Unity Candle

Music _____

The Wedding Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*May be sung or said. If said, please include the words.*)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

Presentation _____

Recessional _____

Postlude

Some People You May Wish To Include In The Wedding Bulletin:

Officiating Pastor _____

Parents of the Bride _____

Parents of the Groom _____

Grandparents of the Bride _____

Grandparents of the Groom _____

Maid/Matron of Honor _____

Best Man _____

Bridesmaids _____

Groomsmen _____

Ushers _____

Flower Girl _____

Ring Bearer _____

Personal Attendant _____

Scripture Readers _____

Vocalist _____

Musicians _____

Organist _____

Others ... _____

Bride and Groom's "Thank You" to Friends and Family

Wedding Vows

The promises you make to one another on your wedding day are among the most profound words you will ever share with each other. Great care and thought need to go into what you say as you make public your declaration of love and commitment and promise. What follows here is a collection of vows and promises, both contemporary and traditional, but is — by no means — a complete collection. You are encouraged to give some thought to writing your own promises to one another. Some have used parts of the following to help them get started. As you plan with your pastor, you will have the opportunity to work out all of these details.

1. _____, as we have come together
In the midst of our families and friends—
And in the presence of God,
I commit myself to you as your husband/wife.

I promise to love you
And to be supportive of you
As we both continue to grow and change.

I promise to help you achieve the goals
That you set for yourself and for our marriage,
And I promise to give you the freedom
To be all that you were intended to be.

I promise to be faithful to you,
To join with you in both sorrow and celebration
Sharing all that is to come until death parts us.

2. I, _____, take you, _____,
to be my wife/ husband and my partner in life.
I promise to share with you all that life may have to offer—
be it joy or sorrow,
and to always be supportive,
patient, and compassionate.
I will respect, cherish, and protect you,
and I will always be faithful to you.
I promise to nurture you
so that we may grow together
to become all that we can be.
Most of all,
I promise to be your best friend for life
and to love you with all my heart forever.

3. In the name of God, I, _____, take you, _____, to be my wife/husband, 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 care for... until we are parted by death... This is my solemn promise.

4. I take you, _____, to be my wife/husband, 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 share my life with you; I will forgive you as we have been forgiven; and I will try with you to better understand ourselves, the world, and God; through the best and most challenging of what is to come until death parts us.

5. I take you, _____, to be my wife/husband. I promise before God and these witnesses to be your faithful husband/wife, to share with you in plenty and in want, in joy and in sorrow, in sickness and in health, to forgive and strengthen you, and to join with you so that together we may serve God and others as long as we both shall live.

6. _____, I take you to be my wife/husband. I promise 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.

7. I, _____, take you, _____, to be my _____ and partner in life. I promise to be honest with you, faithful to you, and to put my trust in you. In your times of need, I will be there to support and encourage you, to hold you and comfort you. I will help you reach for your dreams, and I will stand by you through both your failures and your successes. As we travel through life together, I will share with you the joys and wonders that lie ahead for us. And I promise to love you with all my heart and all my soul for as long as we both shall live.

8. I, _____, take you _____, to be my wife/husband and partner for life. In the presence of our families, friends, and God, I promise to respect, protect and cherish you and to always be faithful and honest with you. I promise to laugh with you in times of joy, and comfort you in times of sorrow. I promise to celebrate with you and always be supportive of you as we both continue to change and grow. I promise to pray for you and for our marriage, to grow in faith with you, and to always serve Christ and others by your side. Through all things, good and bad in sickness and in health for richer or for poorer. I promise to be your best friend and to love you all the days of our life.

The Exchange of Rings

The circle has long been a symbol for marriage. These circles are made of precious metal to represent the enduring and precious nature of your relationship. Being unbroken circles, each represents unending love. As often as either of you look upon these rings, may you be reminded of this moment, the love you have promised, and the commitment — the covenant in which you live.

- I give you this ring as a sign of my love and faithfulness.
- I give you this ring as a sign of my promise, and with all that I am, and all that I have, I honor you; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- Take this ring, freely given, as a sign of my love and a symbol of my intention to live with you in love and respect. As this ring has no end, neither shall my love for you.

Groom/Bride

- I give you this ring as a sign of my promise.

Bride/Groom

- I accept this ring as a sign of your promise.

Some Bible Passages For Your Consideration . . .

Genesis 1:26-31

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." ²⁷ So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. ²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." ²⁹ God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Genesis 2:18-24

¹⁸ Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." ¹⁹ So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹ So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²² And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³ Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." ²⁴ Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

Deuteronomy 11:8-15

⁸ Keep, then, this entire commandment that I am commanding you today, so that you may have strength to go in and occupy the land that you are crossing over to occupy, ⁹ and so that you may live long in the land that the LORD swore to your ancestors to give them and to their descendants, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰ For the land that you are about to enter to occupy is not like the land of Egypt, from which you have come, where you sow your seed and irrigate by foot like a vegetable garden. ¹¹ But the land that you are crossing over to occupy is a land of hills and valleys, watered by rain from the sky, ¹² a land that the LORD your God looks after. The eyes of the LORD your God are always on it, from the beginning of the year to the end of the year. ¹³ If you will only heed his every commandment that I am commanding you today — loving the LORD your God, and serving him with all your heart and with all your soul — ¹⁴ then he will give the rain for your land in its season, the early rain and the later rain, and you will gather in your grain, your wine, and your oil; ¹⁵ and he will give grass in your fields for your livestock, and you will eat your fill.

Ruth 1:16-18

¹⁶ But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷ Where you die, I will die — there will I be buried. May the LORD do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" ¹⁸ When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

Psalm 85:1-13

¹ LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. ² You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin. ³ You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger. ⁴ Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us. ⁵ Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations? ⁶ Will you not revive us again, so that your people may rejoice in you? ⁷ Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation. ⁸ Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts. ⁹ Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. ¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. ¹¹ Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. ¹² The LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. ¹³ Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

Psalm 118:24-29

²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. ²⁵ Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success! ²⁶ Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD. ²⁷ The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. ²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. ²⁹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Psalm 128:1-6

¹ Happy is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways. ² You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be happy, and it shall go well with you. ³ Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. ⁴ Thus shall the man be blessed who fears the LORD. ⁵ The LORD bless you from Zion. May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life. ⁶ May you see your children's children. Peace be upon Israel!

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

⁹ Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. ¹⁰ For if they fall, one will lift up the other; but woe to one who is alone and falls and does not have another to help. ¹¹ Again, if two lie together, they keep warm; but how can one keep warm alone? ¹² And though one might prevail against another, two will withstand one. A threefold cord is not quickly broken.

Hosea 2:19-20

¹⁹ And I will take you for my wife forever; I will take you for my wife in righteousness and in justice, in steadfast love, and in mercy. ²⁰ I will take you for my wife in faithfulness; and you shall know the LORD.

John 2:1-11

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

John 15:9-12, (11-17)

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ¹² "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶ You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷ I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Romans 12:1-2, 9-18

¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God — what is good and acceptable and perfect. . .

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

1 Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13

^{12:31} But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way. ¹ If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. ⁴ Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷ It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸ Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹ For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰ but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹² For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³ And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Or... 1 Corinthians 12:31, 4-7, 13

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⁴ Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷ It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Colossians 3:12-17

¹²As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Music

The wedding is a worship service. Music should reflect the praise of God, the steadfast love of Christ, and the blessing of the Holy Spirit. It should be of high quality, setting a tone for a Christian marriage. It may be instrumental or vocal, it may be sung as a solo, duet, small ensemble, full choir, or congregational hymn. **Ultimately, all music must be discussed with the organist and pastor and approved by them.**

There are some questions to be asked about the music. If the answer is "yes" then the music is probably appropriate.

- ♦ Does this music/text reflect praise and/or thanksgiving to God?
- ♦ Is it based on, or does it reflect, a Scriptural theme?
- ♦ Is this song in the form of a prayer?

For musical options please listen to the CD Wedding Sampler enclosed in this packet. You will hear brief excerpts of organ, piano, instrumental, and vocal music selections that can be selected and adapted in any way for your wedding worship service. A list of titles, composers and forms of music contained on this CD can be found on page 17 of this booklet. Keep in mind that these are just suggestions to begin your planning process. If you wish to use music selections not found on the CD, please discuss your ideas with your pastor or musicians, usually the Prince of Peace staff organist. We remain open to your creative input and want you to be aware of our willingness to help you select music that will give glory to our God, the source of all love!

We encourage you to use as many musicians as necessary to accomplish your musical goals for your wedding. For a list of vocalists and instrumentalists available for wedding ceremonies, contact Handt Hanson (952-898-9319). **We do not allow the use of prerecorded music in any worship service (including weddings).**

Understanding the Components of the Service

Prelude Music

This music is performed as your guests are being seated. Normally starting about 15–20 minutes prior to your ceremony, the music selections are generally chosen by the organist/pianist. It is not necessary to list the titles of the Prelude music, although you may have that option if you choose. Depending upon your individual tastes, it is possible to include several instrumental solos (violin, trumpet, flute, oboe, etc.) at this time.

The Processional

The Processional will be performed as your bridal party enters the sanctuary. Couples frequently choose two pieces—one for the bridal group and one for the entrance of the bride. When selecting processional music, keep in mind the style, flavor and mood you want to create with your selections.

Congregational Hymns

You may choose to have the congregation sing a hymn together. Print the words to the hymn in your wedding bulletin.

Solo Vocal Music

Solos are usually performed in a variety of places within the wedding ceremony. Normally, two or three solos containing sacred texts that directly relate to and support the worship service are presented. Following is a list of suggested places for solos:

- ♦ At the conclusion of the Prelude (just before the Processional)
- ♦ Immediately following the Processional
- ♦ Immediately following the Greeting/Opening Prayer
- ♦ Following the Reading of Scripture
- ♦ Following the Message
- ♦ During the Lighting of the Unity Candle
- ♦ During the “Prayer” section of the service

The Recessional

The Recessional will be played as the bridal party exits the sanctuary. Usually these pieces are joyous and festive.

The Postlude

This music is played as your guests leave. Normally, anywhere from 10–15 minutes of music will be performed. It is not necessary to list the titles of the Postlude pieces, although that remains an option. Please discuss your preferences with your music consultant/organist.

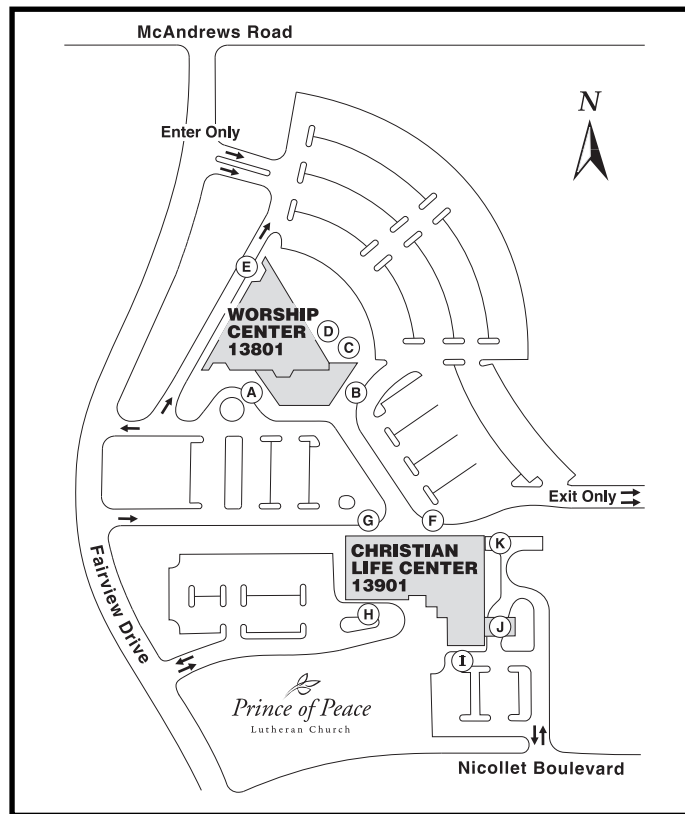
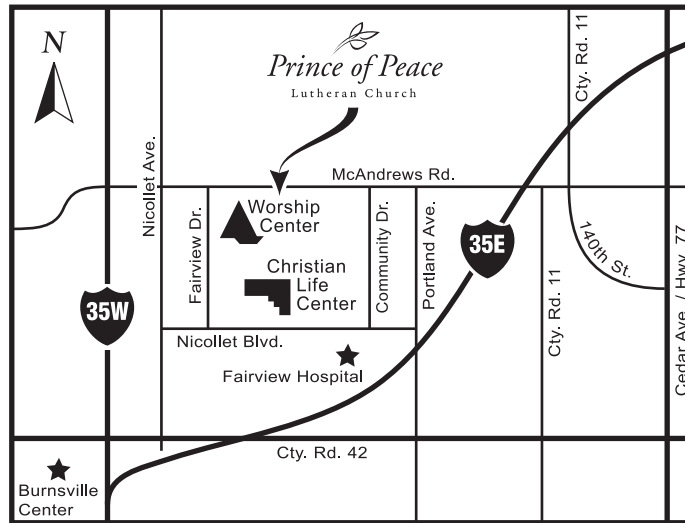
Titles of Music on the CD Sampler

<u>Selection</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Composer</u>
Organ Music <i>(All pieces can be performed on piano as well.)</i>		
Processionals: 1	“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”	Bach
2	“Canon in D”	Pachelbel
3	“Aria in F Major”	Handel
4	“Bridal Chorus”	Wagner
Trumpet Tunes: 5	“Trumpet Voluntary in D”	Purcell/Clarke
6	“Trumpet Tune in D”	Purcell/Clarke
7	“Andante”	Stanley
8	“Prelude to Te Deum”	Charpentier
9	“Rejoicing”	Handel
Recessionals: 10	“Allegro Maestoso”	Handel
11	“Wedding March”	Mendelssohn
12	“Prelude in Classic Style”	Young
13	“Coronation March”	Walton
 Instrumental Music		
Flute and Piano: 14	“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”	Bach
15	“Canon in D”	Pachelbel
16	“He Shall Feed His Flock”	Handel
17	“Adagio”	Vivaldi
Violin and Piano: 18	“Meditation from Thais”	Massenet
19	“Arioso”	Bach
20	“Celebrated Air”	Bach
21	“Music for the Royal Fireworks”	Handel
Trumpet: 22	“Trumpet Tune”	Purcell
23	“Prince of Denmark’s March”	Clarke
24	“Aria from Second Movement”	Peters
25	“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”	Bach
 Vocal Music		
26	Intro	
27	“Make My Life a Candle”	Hanson
28	“On This Day”	Murakami
29	“Wedding Song”	Stookey
30	“God, A Woman, and A Man”	Terry
31	“This is the Day”	Brown
32	“I Will Be Here”	Chapman
33	“Parent’s Prayer”	Davis
34	“And On This Day”	English
35	“Bridal Prayer”	Copeland
36	“He Has Chosen You for Me”	Terry
37	“Can Two Walk Together”	Leech
38	“The Gift of Love”	Hopson
39	“Wherever You Go”	Haas
40	“This is Where the Candle Glows”	Koch
41	“The Lord’s Prayer”	Malotte

Prince of Peace Maps

Worship Center (Sanctuary): 13801 Fairview Drive, Burnsville, MN 55337
Christian Life Center (Chapel): 13901 Fairview Drive, Burnsville, MN 55337

This page and the following page contain maps and directions to Prince of Peace. Please feel free to reproduce these as needed to direct guests to your wedding. Electronic files of these images are available on the church website at www.princeofpeaceonline.org/marriage.



Detail of the Prince of Peace campus area

Directions to Prince of Peace

From the North:

*On 35W...*Head south to County Road 42. Turn left onto County Road 42. Cross the freeway and proceed to the stoplight at Nicollet Avenue. Turn left onto Nicollet Avenue. Proceed to the second stoplight which is at Nicollet Boulevard. Turn right onto Nicollet Boulevard. Proceed to the first intersection which is Fairview Drive. Turn left onto Fairview Drive and enter the second or third parking lot to reach the Worship Center.

*On 35E...*Head south to County Road 42. Turn right onto County Road 42. Proceed to the first stoplight which is Nicollet Avenue. Turn right onto Nicollet Avenue. Proceed to the second stoplight which is at Nicollet Boulevard. Turn right onto Nicollet Boulevard. Proceed to the first intersection which is Fairview Drive. Turn left onto Fairview Drive and enter the second or third parking lot to reach the Worship Center.

From the South:

*On Interstate 35...*Head north on Interstate 35. When it splits into 35W and 35E, stay to the right and take 35E. Take the first exit which is County Road 42. Turn left onto County Road 42. Proceed to the second stoplight which is Nicollet Avenue. Turn right onto Nicollet Avenue. Proceed to the second stoplight which is at Nicollet Boulevard. Turn right onto Nicollet Boulevard. Proceed to the first intersection which is Fairview Drive. Turn left onto Fairview Drive and enter the second or third parking lot to reach the Worship Center.

From the East:

*On County Road 42...*Head west on County Road 42. Proceed to Nicollet Avenue. Turn right onto Nicollet Avenue. Proceed to the second stoplight which is at Nicollet Boulevard. Turn right onto Nicollet Boulevard. Proceed to the first intersection which is Fairview Drive. Turn left onto Fairview Drive and enter the second or third parking lot to reach the Worship Center.

From the West:

*On County Road 42...*Head east on County Road 42. Proceed to Nicollet Avenue. Turn left onto Nicollet Avenue. Proceed to the second stoplight which is at Nicollet Boulevard. Turn right onto Nicollet Boulevard. Proceed to the first intersection which is Fairview Drive. Turn left onto Fairview Drive and enter the second or third parking lot to reach the Worship Center.

Sanctuary Wedding Fee Schedule

(A) Basic Fee

Sanctuary (includes pastor, wedding consultant,
technical audio, and custodial services) \$ 550.00

(B) Special Services Available

Wedding Bulletins (includes typing and printing)
Cost per 100 bulletins \$ 25.00

(C) Professional Services (Each person is paid separately.)

Church Organist Private Agreement Between Parties
Soloists and Instrumentalists Private Agreement Between Parties

Charges (Separate checks should be written for each category.)

Prince of Peace (A + B)= \$ _____

All fees subject to change.

- All fees must be delivered to the church office **at least 10 days prior** to your wedding.
- The marriage license should be delivered to the church office at the same time as payments.

Chapel Wedding Fee Schedule

(A) Basic Fee

Chapel (includes pastor, wedding consultant, and custodial services) \$ 425.00

(B) Special Services Available

Wedding Bulletins (includes typing and printing)
Cost per 100 bulletins \$ 25.00

(C) Professional Services (Each person is paid separately)

Church Organist	Private Agreement Between Parties
Soloists and Instrumentalists	Private Agreement Between Parties

Charges (Separate checks should be written for each category)

Prince of Peace (A + B)= \$ _____

All fees subject to change.

- All fees must be delivered to the church office **at least 10 days prior** to your wedding.
- The marriage license should be delivered to the church office at the same time as payments.

Off-Site Wedding Fee Schedule

(A) Basic Fee

(includes pastor and wedding consultant) \$ 450.00

(B) Special Services Available

Wedding Bulletins (includes typing and printing)
Cost per 100 bulletins \$ 25.00

(C) Professional Services (Each person is paid separately)

Church Organist	Private Agreement Between Parties
Soloists and Instrumentalists	Private Agreement Between Parties

Charges (Separate checks should be written for each category)

Prince of Peace (A + B)= \$ _____

All fees subject to change.

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Prince of Peace *Off-Site Wedding Information*

These are some guidelines the Prince of Peace pastors would like you to know regarding their participation in your off-site wedding.

- When a pastor has been assigned to your wedding, you will be notified of the name of the pastor. Please call the pastor directly to arrange a meeting.
- The Prince of Peace fee for off-site weddings is \$450.00. The check should be made payable to Prince of Peace. This cost includes the fee for the pastor and the Prince of Peace wedding coordinator. A \$100.00 non-refundable deposit is required to secure the date. The balance is due 10 days before the wedding.
- All off-site weddings will be assigned a wedding coordinator who will conduct the wedding rehearsal the evening before or, in some cases, one hour before the wedding. If you are having pictures taken before your wedding, please allow for the rehearsal. Normally, the pastors do not attend rehearsals.
- The wedding license should be brought to the Prince of Peace office at least 10 days before the wedding. The license will be completed by our wedding scheduler and the pastor or wedding coordinator will bring it on the day of the wedding for signatures. When you drop off the license, please include the green Marriage Information sheet, which includes the names (full legal names with middle names or initials) of the two witnesses, usually the best man and maid/matron of honor.
- It is the expectation that the members of the wedding party conduct themselves as though the wedding was taking place in the sanctuary at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. The pastors expect there will be no drinking by the wedding party before the wedding. We reserve the right to cancel and/or delay the wedding if any members of the wedding party are obviously inebriated.

Marriage License

The following information refers to application for a marriage license in Dakota County.

You may fill out an online form (www.co.dakota.mn.us/DoingBusiness/Permits/Personal/MarriageLicense.html) to help speed up the application process. After completing the online form, you will be given a confirmation number which you will need to bring to one of the three Dakota County service centers in order to complete the application process.

If you choose not to complete the online form, you may print a paper application, fill it out and bring to one of the three service centers listed below:

- Administration Center: 1590 Highway 55, Hastings, MN 55033 651-438-4313
- Western Service Center: 14955 Galaxie Avenue, Apple Valley, MN 55124 952-891-7570
- Northern Service Center: 1 Mendota Road West, West St. Paul, MN 55118 651-554-6600

To apply for a marriage license in Dakota County, both parties must be present to sign the application. A Marriage License Application must be completed with the signature witnessed by a County Registrar. A Minnesota resident may apply for a marriage license in any county in Minnesota, regardless of residence or where the ceremony takes place, as long as you are married within Minnesota.

The fee is \$110.00, or with 12 hours of premarital education, the reduced fee is \$40.00. A completed and signed Statement of Premarital Education Form must accompany your Marriage License Application for the reduced fee. The names on the Premarital Education Form must be identical to the legal names of the parties as they appear on the Marriage License Application and include the notarized signature of the instructor. Credit and debit cards are not accepted.

There is a five day waiting period between the time the application is signed and the license is issued. After a license is issued, it is valid for six months and may be used anywhere within the State of Minnesota.

The following information is necessary when applying for a Marriage License:

- Legal, full names of both parties
- Current addresses
- Dates of birth
- State or foreign country where each person was born
- Counties where each person lives
- Social security numbers
- Full name the parties will have after marriage
- Information on previous marriages, including how marriages terminated, date, city, county, and state of termination
- If one or both parties have a felony conviction on or after August 1, 2000
- \$110.00 *without premarital education
- \$40.00 *with completed and signed Statement of Premarital Education Form (required at the time of marriage application)
- Mailing address after marriage (where certificate will be sent)
- Payment for license (cash or check only) is payable at the time of application

Wedding FAQ's

Q Are we allowed to use wax candles in the sanctuary?

A Yes, but only on the unity candle/memory candle stands.

Q Is it possible to have the piano moved for our service?

A The piano can be moved by our staff.

Q Can we move and/or decorate the plants in the front of the Sanctuary?

A It is our policy that the plants not be moved or decorated.

Q Can we use the projection screens during the wedding?

A No, we do not allow use of any video screens for projection in conjunction with weddings.

Q I have a good friend who sings with a CD. Can this be done?

A We do not allow prerecorded music in any worship event at Prince of Peace.

Q I would like someone to play music other than the organ or piano. Can we use the keyboard, drums and guitar amps?

A With the help of our tech people, you are welcome to use the electronic keyboards, guitar amps, bass amps, and other instruments as needed in the location you find them.

Q I'm planning to order an aisle runner from my florist. How long should it be?

A You will need an aisle runner that is 75 feet in length.

Q How soon will I know which pastor will officiate at my wedding and who my coordinator will be? How will I be notified?

A Prince of Peace pastors are able to schedule themselves about three to four months in advance. The coordinators meet quarterly to arrange wedding assignments. As soon as a pastor and/or coordinator has been scheduled, you will receive a postcard (or email when possible) with the name of the pastor and/or coordinator and their phone number(s).