

Blue Springs First Church of the Nazarene

Information for a Wedding Ceremony

1. We provide you with a Marriage Preparation Packet.

When you make an inquiry to the church office about your wedding, you are sent a packet that contains a Wedding Ceremony Agreement and Reception Agreement.

2. A four (4) month notification in advance of the desired wedding date is required.

This will allow you enough time to complete and return the application(s) along with the security deposit, attend premarital counseling sessions, and to meet with your ceremonial pastor.

3. The following are the arrangements we will make with you for the use of our facilities and their accompanying fees.

A Security Deposit of \$250.00 is to accompany the Wedding Ceremony Agreement and Reception Agreement at least four (4) months in advance of the wedding date to reserve the facility and serve as a damage deposit. The deposit will be refunded if the wedding is performed on the date scheduled and if there is no damage to the facility.

Wedding Fee: \$400.00. This includes use of the sanctuary, two dressing rooms, fellowship hall, wedding coordinator, sound technician and custodian. One rehearsal is included in the Wedding Fee. Additional dressing rooms are \$25.00 each.

Reception Fee: \$400.00 This includes use of the gymnasium and kitchen up to five (5) hours of use. Additional use of gymnasium and kitchen are \$50.00 per hour, as available.

The Wedding and Reception are two separate contracts. Fees must be paid sixty (60) days in advance of the ceremony. Notice of cancellation must be received fourteen (14) days prior to the wedding date to receive a full refund of Wedding and Reception fees, less the \$250.00 security deposit.

After the wedding date is scheduled, all details related to planning your ceremony and rehearsal should be directed to our wedding coordinator.

Our sound technician will handle technical details related to music, microphones, or video presentations that you are planning for your wedding. The wedding coordinator will be the contact person.

Smoking is not permitted anywhere in the church. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted on our church grounds. Dancing is permitted at the reception only if it falls under the guidelines outlined in the *Manual* of the Church of the Nazarene as follows. "We hold specifically that the following practices should be avoided: all forms of dancing that detract from spiritual growth and break down proper moral inhibitions and reserve." (Manual/2005-2009 Church of the Nazarene, section 34.4)

4. We encourage you to select one of our pastoral staff as the Ceremonial Pastor of your wedding.

If you choose to use clergy other than our staff, that person will need approval by our Senior Pastor. Having outside clergy does not waive the premarital counseling requirements.