

Summer 2011

David Evangelical Lutheran Church

“Know Christ – Make Christ Known”



WEDDING
POLICY

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FORMS

WEDDING INFORMATION

For those planning on being married at David Lutheran Church: *(Fees on page 4)*

Non-members must complete page 15 to book the wedding.

Before meeting with the Pastor, please read over all information and complete forms and questions on pages 10-14.

*Also please feel welcome to attend our worship services on Sunday mornings at 8:00 am, 9:29 am and 10:30 am.
No prior religious experience necessary!*

1. **SCHEDULING YOUR WEDDING**

The date for your wedding should be reserved with the church office in order to avoid scheduling conflicts, **before** invitations are printed and public announcement of your wedding plans are made.

Non-member couples who are getting married at David Lutheran Church must place a non-refundable down payment of \$100.00 to secure the scheduled date. The date is not held until payment is received. If using the chapel (for small weddings only), the down payment will be \$50.00.

The Pastor of David Lutheran Church shall preside at the wedding service. Exceptions to this will be granted only upon approval from Pastor and/or the Church Council.

2. **PRE-MARITAL COUNSELING**

The Pastor will meet with you for the purpose of assisting you in the planning of your wedding. You will need to complete pages 10-14 prior to this meeting and bring the forms with you. This time with the Pastor should take place approximately 4 weeks before the wedding. The number of meetings will depend on the completion of the forms in this packet and availability for schedule. *(In other words, if you complete this form before your session, it will save you a meeting.)* It is your responsibility to schedule this meeting with the Pastor. The easiest way to arrange times is through email (pastorrandy@davidlutheran.org).

3. **WEDDING BULLETINS OR PROGRAMS**

Service bulletins, for listing the order of the wedding service and the names of the wedding participants, may be copied by our church secretary upon request, with the only cost to the couple being the purchase of the bulletins. The order of service can be provided to you for the bulletin. It will be the responsibility of the couple to have the program copy ready. If you choose to have the bulletin copied by the church office, the information and bulletin covers must be turned into the church office at least 4 days prior to the wedding. If turned in after that, there is no guarantee that it can be ready for the wedding.

4. **THE MUSIC**

Normally, the church organist of David Lutheran will play for church weddings. Exceptions require the approval of Church Council and/or Pastor. Music for your ceremony is to be planned in consultation with the church Director of Music, with an appointment to be scheduled by the couple with her **as soon as the wedding date is set**. If an outside organist is to be used, we need that person's name, phone number and consent of David Lutheran's Pastor and Director of Music. If another organist is approved, (s)he must review the organ procedures with our church organist before playing.

Vocal or instrumental music in addition to organ music, if desired, is permitted. This needs to be covered with the Director of Music. If there is any requirement of additional microphones this should be noted.

Like all other music at the wedding, nothing conflicting with the Christian concept of marriage is to be used. Acceptable music for church weddings shall be sacred in theme, worshipful in nature and subject to approval by the Director of Music. (Secular and/or popular music may be used at your wedding reception, if you so desire.)

5. **THE REHEARSAL**

The day for your wedding rehearsal -- normally the day before your scheduled wedding -- and the hour will be mutually determined by you and the Pastor. A rehearsal ordinarily takes from 45-60 minutes, generally depending on the size of the wedding party. Facilities at the church for dressing, etc., are shown at this time.

6. **THE WEDDING COORDINATOR**

Because we want your ceremony to be a joyous occasion, we require* our Wedding Coordinator to help you with details of the ceremony. The Wedding Coordinator will usually be present at the rehearsal and the ceremony. The Wedding Coordinator will help the couple in areas such as --

- ▶ Arrangement of flowers
- ▶ Dressing Areas
- ▶ Church policy
- ▶ Wedding Etiquette
- ▶ Unity candles
- ▶ Pictures and video camera placement

(*If a wedding is very small, the Wedding Coordinator services may be waived with permission of the Pastor.)

7. DECORATING THE CHURCH

- a. Flowers for the wedding service (including flowers for the altar, the organ and/or the pews) are welcome to be used. The Wedding Coordinator can assist you in this area.
- b. The florist should be informed that nails or tacks into the woodwork of the church are not permitted. Florists are expected to supply the flower containers.
- c. Altar candles will be used for all weddings. Additional candles (such as pew candelabras) may be used so long as there is proper regard for safety, and with the consent of the Pastor. Candles used apart from the altar are to have a glass globe to prevent the flame from being blown out and the wax from spilling down onto the pew or people sitting nearby.
- d. The seven-branch candelabra in our chapel may be used if desired.
- e. Paraments on the altar will be the color of the season or white, upon the discretion of the Pastor.
- f. Items available at the church to help your florist in planning the decorations include:
 - two altar candles
 - two, seven-branch candelabras
 - flower stands of various heights
 - optional kneeling bench
- g. To view the church for decorating, you may want to remember that the church office weekday hours are 9:00 am – Noon and 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

8. RECEPTIONS

You are welcome to hold your reception in our church fellowship hall after the wedding ceremony. However, you will need to contact the church office to reserve the date and time for your reception. If you are interested in exploring the option of the church helping to serve and/or cater the wedding reception, please discuss this option with the Pastor.

- a. If the reception is in our fellowship hall, guests are asked not to go into other areas of the church.
- b. No rice or birdseed is to be thrown inside our building. No nails or tape are to be put on the walls.
- c. No alcoholic beverages are permitted at the reception or on the church premises.

9. CUSTODIAL SERVICES

The services of the custodian are needed to prepare the facility for the wedding service and to clean it afterwards. If a rehearsal is held, it is often necessary to do some cleaning after, in preparation for the wedding itself. The services are included in the expenses listed below.

10. PHOTOGRAPHERS

No pictures requiring flash-bulbs shall be taken during the service by either a professional or by other photographers. (Ushers/groomsmen shall advise guests of this policy when they notice guests bringing cameras into the service.) The Pastor and/or Wedding Coordinator can discuss the policy for picture-taking with the official photographer prior to the service.

11. THE MARRIAGE LICENSE and CERTIFICATE

Your wedding license and marriage certificate should be delivered to the Pastor no later than at the time of the rehearsal, so that adequate time may be given to complete the information requested by the state. NO marriage can be performed without a license in the Pastor's possession!

12. FEES/EXPENSES FOR YOUR WEDDING

Fees for the wedding services for members are payable at the time of the rehearsal.

Fees for non-members are due **PRIOR** to start of the rehearsal. These can be paid during the office hours.

(FOR WEDDING SERVICE IN THE SANCTUARY)

CHURCH MEMBER FEES:	SERVICE	NON-MEMBER FEES:
No fee	Use of the main sanctuary	\$200.00 (\$100 of which is paid as a down payment when booking)
\$150.00	Organist (includes rehearsal) If organist needs to work with any other vocalist/musicians, <u>please add \$20.00</u>	\$150.00
By donation	Pastor	\$150.00
\$100.00	Custodian	\$100.00
\$75.00	Wedding Coordinator	\$100.00
\$325.00 + the Pastor	TOTAL of FEES	\$700.00

(USE OF FELLOWSHIP HALL FOR RECEPTIONS)

CHURCH MEMBER FEES:	SERVICE	NON-MEMBER FEES:
No Fee	Fellowship Hall	\$150.00
\$70.00	Custodian: Set up, tear down and cleaning	\$85.00

USE OF CHAPEL (FOR SMALL WEDDINGS ONLY)

CHURCH MEMBER FEES:	SERVICE	NON-MEMBER FEES:
No fee	Use of Chapel	\$75.00
\$25.00	Custodian	\$25.00
All other fees for other services are the same as printed above.		

13. CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	- Pastor Randy O'Donnell (614-837-7041 ext. 5)
Secretary	- Terry Schacht (614-837-7041 ext 0)
Organists	- Laura Rocklin (614-837-7041 ext 6) - Leah Fearing (614-837-7041)
Wedding Coordinator	- Dorothy Nolan (614-837-1542)
Custodian	- Check with the office

14. ALCOHOL USE

Though the Lutheran Church does not believe it is wrong to drink alcohol, we do believe in responsible usage. The church wedding day and ceremony is not the appropriate place to use alcohol. Therefore we do not permit alcohol on the church premises. Save it for the reception (if held outside the church). Because of past issues, we ask you to show your understanding of this rule by completing the non-use of alcohol agreement on page 15 of this form.

In providing these guidelines, it is not the intent of the church to hinder your wedding plans, but rather to provide helpful counsel and guidance so that your ceremony will not only be memorable for you personally, but may serve to strengthen your marriage.

WEDDING TEXTS: Below are some examples of lessons commonly used at a wedding. By no means, is this all of them. You are welcome to choose any biblical reading for your ceremony. It is usual to have 2 to 3 lessons.

John 2:1-10... On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ²and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

⁴"Dear woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come."

⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

⁶Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.

⁷Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

⁸Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."

They did so, ⁹and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹⁰and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." (NIV)

Matthew 19:4-6... "Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator made them male and female," ⁵and said, "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh?" ⁶So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate." (NIV)

John 15:9-12... "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. ¹¹I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹²My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. (NIV)

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12... Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work: ¹⁰If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up! ¹¹Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? ¹²Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken. (NIV)

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8... There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven: ²a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, ³a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, ⁴a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, ⁵a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain, ⁶a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, ⁷a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, ⁸a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace. (NIV)

Song of Solomon 2:10-13... My lover spoke and said to me, "Arise, my darling, my beautiful one, and come with me. ¹¹See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone. ¹²Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our land. ¹³The fig tree forms its early fruit; the blossoming vines spread their fragrance. Arise, come, my darling; my beautiful one, come with me." (NIV)

Genesis 1:26-31... Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground." ²⁷So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

²⁸God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

²⁹Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. ³⁰And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds of the air and all the creatures that move on the ground - everything that has the breath of life in it - I give every green plant for food." And it was so.

³¹God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning - the sixth day. (NIV)

Romans 12:1-2... Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God - this is your spiritual act of worship. ²Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will. (NIV)

1 John 4:12... No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. (NIV)

1 Corinthians 13:1-13... If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ²If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. ¹¹When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me. ¹²Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

¹³And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love. (NIV)

Psalms 100:1-5... Psalm 100--A psalm for giving thanks. Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. ²Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. ³Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. ⁴Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. ⁵For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. (NIV)

Psalms 117:1-2... Praise the LORD, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples. ²For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD. (NIV)

Psalm 126:2-6...Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." ³The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. ⁴Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the Negev. ⁵Those who sow in tears will reap with songs of joy. ⁶He who goes out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with him. (NIV)

Psalm 128:1-6...Psalm 128--A song of ascents. Blessed are all who fear the LORD, who walk in his ways. ²You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours. ³Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your sons will be like olive shoots around your table. ⁴Thus is the man blessed who fears the LORD. ⁵May the LORD bless you from Zion all the days of your life; may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem, ⁶and may you live to see your children's children. Peace be upon Israel. (NIV)

Psalm 150:1-6...Psalm 150--Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens. ²Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness. ³Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre, ⁴praise him with tambourine and dancing, praise him with the strings and flute, ⁵praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals. ⁶Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD. (NIV)

TRADITIONAL VOWS:

I, _____ take thee _____, to be my wedded wife, 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, till death do us part.

I, _____ take thee _____, to be my 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 cherish, till death do us part.

MODERN VOWS:

(A) I take you, _____ to be my wife/husband 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.

Or

(B) 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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR A WEDDING

The following is an example order of a typical wedding service that can be used when preparing a bulletin for the marriage occasion:

The Order of Service

Processional
Welcome and Invocation
Prayer for the Lord's Presence
Readings from Scripture
Exchange of the Marriage Vows
Exchange of the Rings
Marriage Pronouncement
Blessing of the Couple
Lighting of the Unity Candle
Prayer for Couple
The Lord's Prayer
Benediction
Presentation of the Couple
Recessional

Other options that are often added include any special music you are having in the service, special readings or other occurrences. (These should all be cleared with the Pastor)

If you choose to list the name of the Pastor and organist here are their full names:

Pastor - Randy O'Donnell
Organist - Laura Rocklin or Leah Fearing

For other bulletin/program guidelines, see more information under #3 earlier in this document.

If you would like to order these bulletins over the internet, one online site is:
<http://www.augsburgfortress.org>

CHURCH CHECKLIST FOR WEDDING PREPARATION

To do right away:

- Book the wedding and rehearsal dates with the church and the Pastor.
- Contact the church organist to secure wedding and rehearsal dates.
- NON-MEMBERS** – Must provide non-refundable down payment to secure the date. (Date is not saved until the payment is received.)

To do as wedding draws closer (six weeks to a month):

- Contact the Wedding Coordinator and set up a meeting to go over the ceremony.
- Contact the Pastor about setting up a meeting (or meetings if form is not completed).
- Complete pages 10-14 of this form before meeting with the Pastor.
- Get a marriage license from the county of the bride's residence.

To do in the final days before the wedding:

- If wanting the church to copy the bulletin/program for the wedding, bring the layout and bulletins, copy-ready to the church at least 4 days prior to the wedding.
- Bring the marriage license to the wedding rehearsal.
- NON-MEMBERS:** Fees are due in the office **PRIOR** to the wedding rehearsal. These fees can be brought into the office during office hours or even given to the Pastor during the meeting ahead of the wedding. Though cash is preferred, if writing checks, please make them directly out to the following individuals (see amounts in the fee chart)
 - For the church payable to: David Lutheran Church
 - For the Pastor payable to: Randy O'Donnell
 - For the organist payable to: Laura Rocklin or Leah Fearing
 - For the Wedding Coordinator payable to: Dorothy Nolan
 - For the custodian - check with the office for the name.

NAME:
DATE:

MARRIAGE INFORMATION

DATE OF MARRIAGE: _____ TIME: _____ PLACE: _____

DATE OF REHEARSAL: _____ TIME: _____

BRIDE'S FULL NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ ALT#: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

MOTHER'S NAME: (If not living mark deceased) _____

FATHER'S NAME: (If not living mark deceased) _____

ADDRESS (if different from above, city & state): _____

MOTHER'S RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: _____

FATHER'S RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: _____

BRIDE'S CHURCH MEMBERSHIP OR RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND: _____

PREVIOUSLY MARRIED: **YES/NO** IF YES, HOW MANY TIMES? _____

DO YOU HAVE ANY CHILDREN: **YES/NO** IF YES, THEIR NAMES & AGES:

GROOM'S FULL NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ ALT#: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

MOTHER'S NAME: (If not living mark deceased) _____

FATHER'S NAME: (If not living mark deceased) _____

MOTHER'S RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: _____

FATHER'S RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: _____

GROOM'S CHURCH MEMBERSHIP OR RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND: _____

PREVIOUSLY MARRIED: **YES/NO** IF YES, HOW MANY TIMES? _____

DO YOU HAVE ANY CHILDREN: **YES/NO** IF YES, THEIR NAMES AND AGES:

THE WEDDING PARTY

Please complete the following. Please note that when giving names on this page only first names are necessary. When listing the bridesmaids and groomsmen please list them in the order and in the pairings you are thinking for the ceremony. If that is not known for sure, list them how you think it will be – it can always be changed later.

MAID OF HONOR: _____ BEST MAN: _____

MATRON OF HONOR: _____

BRIDESMAIDS: _____ GROOMSMEN: _____

FLOWER GIRL(s) AND AGE(s): _____ RING BEARER(s) AND AGE(s): _____

USHERS NAMES (If they are different from the groomsmen): _____

ARE YOU HAVING A GUEST BOOK ATTENDANT? _____ IF SO, WHO: _____

ORGANIST (name): _____

OTHER MUSIC AND MUSICIANS: _____

IF FLORIST (name): _____ PHONE: _____

IF PHOTOGRAPHER (name): _____

IF VIDEO (name): _____

DO YOU PLAN TO TAKE ANY OF THE PICTURES AHEAD OF THE CEREMONY? _____

THE WEDDING PARTY’S ENTRANCE AND RECEIVING LINE:

Any special notes about how you want the wedding party escorted? Do you have plans to seat any grandparents? Anybody in particular seating the parents? Anybody other than the father escorting the bride? Who do you want to stand in the receiving line following the wedding? You make notes here and these can be discussed with the pastor or wedding coordinator:

OTHER QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE CEREMONY

You may not yet know all the answers to the following questions, and may wish to talk to the Pastor about them. However, answer the following questions as you can.

1. DO YOU PLAN ON HAVING A UNITY CANDLE? _____ (If yes, the couple provides. You will need 3 candles and some type of holder.)
2. DO YOU PLAN ON HAVING A RUNNER FOR THE AISLE? _____ (If yes, you provide)
3. DO YOU PLAN ON HAVING PROGRAMS/BULLETINS? _____ (If so, the couple is responsible for getting bulletins and having the contents typed up. The Order of Service is on page 8 if you choose to include it. The church has catalogs of bulletin cover choices as well as some Christian bookstores, and also the internet.)
4. Outside the church it is permissible to throw birdseed at the couple as they exit the church. Some couples like to release helium balloons or blow bubbles. Others choose not to do anything. If you are planning any of these please note that here:

5. Approximately how many people do you expect to attend the wedding? _____
The wedding rehearsal? _____

6. **THE LESSONS:** As part of the ceremony lessons from the Bible are read. Do you prefer to pick the lessons or do you want the Pastor to do it? _____ If you are picking the lessons please list two or three that you want. Attached is a list of some examples.
The lessons: _____

7. **THE VOWS:** Which wedding vows do you want to use for the ceremony? They are listed on the bottom of the lessons page. _____ Traditional _____ Modern (A) or (B) _____ Write our own. If you would like to write your own, the Pastor would need a copy of them.

8. It is not unusual that sometimes at weddings there are awkward moments because of some past history such as divorce, remarriage or other difficult issues that have resulted in certain family members being alienated from one another. Please note these below. This is only for the Pastor to know so that the Pastor can help avoid any potential difficulties. Concerns that it would be helpful for the Pastor to know about: _____

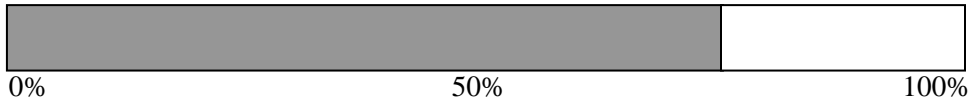
PRE-MARITAL MEETINGS:

Prior to your wedding, the couple will meet with the Pastor to discuss the wedding ceremony and marriage. This is not something to fear. It hopefully will be informative and conducive for your relationship. In preparation for the meeting, the couple is asked to take a separate sheet of paper and complete the following 15 questions. Where evident, the couple will each have an answer. Feel free to discuss the answers ahead of meeting with a Pastor. Remember this is not a test; this is not something that you pass or fail. Please bring your sheet with you when meeting with the Pastor. As part of your time, the Pastor will also be having you take a brief personality inventory.

1. How did you meet?
2. When did you know that this might be the person I want to marry?
3. Do you want to have kids?
 - a. If so, how long after you are married until you start a family?
 - b. How many kids do you want?
 - c. How do you plan to discipline your children? (Spanking, grounding, etc.)
4. If either person has been married before, does the partner know why the previous relationship did not work out?
5. Who will be responsible for keeping track of the checkbook, savings, credit card and bills? Do you plan on having a budget? How will that work?
6. Who makes the decision on purchasing a large ticket item? How much is something before it is considered a large ticket item (how much money)?
7. Who will do what duties around the house?
8. Do you plan to attend a church? If so, what do you guess your attendance pattern will be? If you have children, do you plan on having your children baptized and raised in the church?
9. What does each of you see as the strongest part of your relationship?
10. What does each of you see as the weakest part of your relationship?
11. Is each of you willing to relocate from this community if necessary?
12. If you have extended family, have you discussed how you plan to handle holidays?
13. How does each of you define the word vacation? Does it mean stay at home or going somewhere?
Being alone with each other/ with any kids/ or other friends?
14. How much “down time” or personal “quiet time” do you need?
15. What is the hardest part about answering these questions?

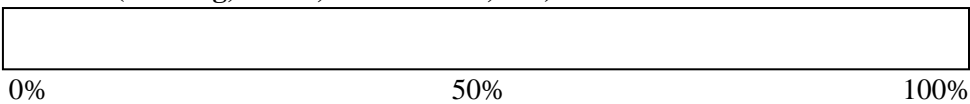
Often in a marriage there is no doubt that one another has to follow the direction of an employer in terms of their working hours. However in a household, there are many tasks that are done to keep things functioning. These tasks however are not clearly spelled out and each couple must work out how these things will get done. Below is a list of some of those home activities and chores. Though life situations often impact and change these, fill in the following on how you would imagine it to be in your marriage relationship. Have one partner be the dark part and the other the light part. (Again there are not right or wrong answers here.)

Example: MAKING THE BED:

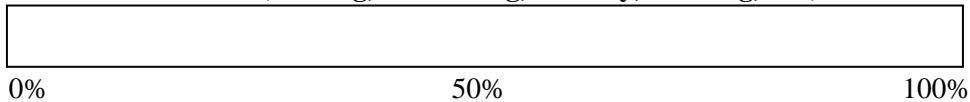


If person A is the dark fill and person B is the light fill, the above bar says that person A will make the bed about 80% of the time and person B about 20%.

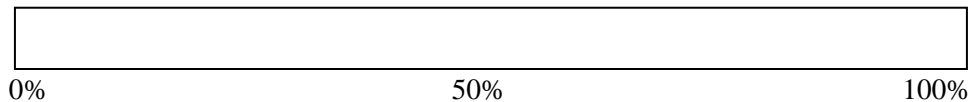
LAWN WORK (Mowing, leaves, flowers beds, etc.)



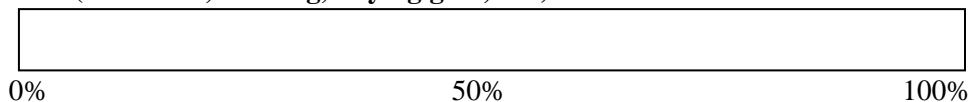
HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS (Dusting, vacuuming, laundry, cleaning, etc.)



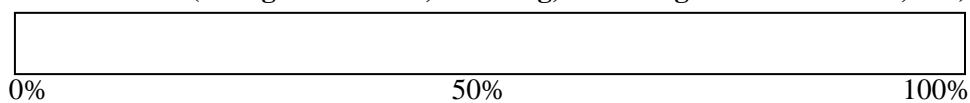
MEAL PREPARATION AND CLEAN-UP



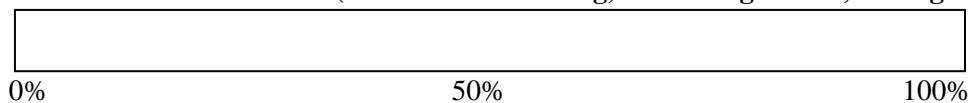
SHOPPING (Groceries, clothing, buying gifts, etc.)



FINANCIAL WORK (Going to the bank, investing, balancing bank statements, etc.)



CHILDREARING ACTIVITIES (Decisions on clothing, overseeing chores, taxiing children, etc.)



AUTOMOBILE (Overseeing or doing repairs, filling up the gas tanks, etc.)



WEDDING USAGE AGREEMENT FOR NON-MEMBERS OF
DAVID LUTHERAN CHURCH

Please read the following, and if in agreement, please sign below. Please turn this form in when making a deposit to secure the wedding date.

1. We understand that to secure a date for our church wedding we must place a \$100.00 non-refundable deposit. If we cancel the wedding, we will not receive this money back. It is possible to apply the deposit to a future wedding date if the wedding is simply postponed. However, a refund check will not be issued.
2. We understand that complete fee payments to all individuals and the church must be paid prior to the wedding rehearsal.
3. We understand that alcohol is not permitted on the church premises. If alcohol is brought on the church premises by anyone in the wedding party or a guest, our wedding license could be held until we pay an additional \$100.00 fee for breaking this rule.
4. We agree to tell others in our wedding party that alcohol is not permitted on our church premises.

Signature of the Bride: _____

Signature of the Groom: _____

Date: _____

For office use only:

Date Received: _____

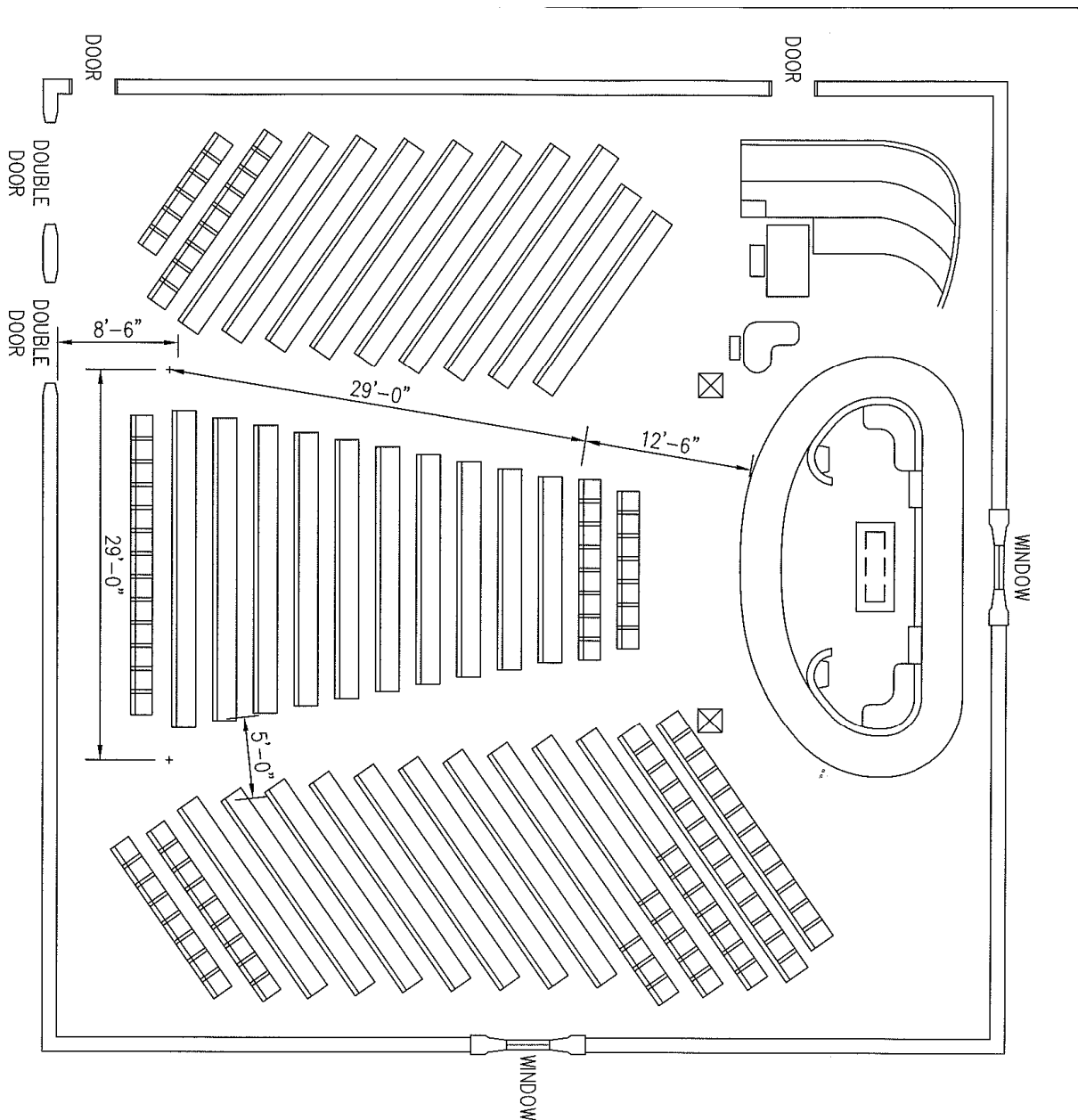
Received by (your initials): _____

Paid by:

Check – Check # _____

Cash

Approximate Church Layout:



PEWS 300
 CHOIR 25
 CHAIRS 100
 (AS SHOWN)

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 SEATING**