

Thank you for your interest in being married by one of Hope's ordained pastors.

We believe that a marriage is designed by God to be a spiritual union representing a visible expression of the relationship He has with the Church, which is the Bride of Christ. Our desire is to help you prepare for a lifetime relationship that will bring glory to the Lord as you begin your new life together as husband and wife. Our pastors and staff care about your future and are available to give you guidance and counsel to help you prepare for this lifelong commitment.

Hope provides a pre-marital class to help you prepare for a healthy union. This class is a pre-requisite to be married by a Hope Pastor.

Since our Pastors want God's best for your marriage, and because they are accountable before the Lord for officiating marital unions; they, in good conscience, request that you strive to follow Biblical guidelines in your dating relationship and marriage. In doing so they request that you maintain sexual abstinence until your wedding date.

(Please note, Hope Church is not available for wedding receptions due to staffing requirements. Also, our building policies do not allow alcoholic beverages in any part of the building.)

Included in this packet is a registration form on pages 2, 3 and 4. Included on pages 5, 6 and 7 outlines procedures and fees for securing Hope's Facilities and a Hope Pastor. Please read through each page carefully and follow directions to begin the process for marriage.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to inquire. We look forward to helping you prepare for the amazing gift of marriage.

Thank you,

Julie Kupecky
jkupecky@hope-cc.org

WEDDING REGISTRATION

Please print and complete pages 2, 3 and 4. Return by scanning and emailing to jkupecky@hope-cc.org. or drop off in an envelope labeled, "Wedding Registration", at Hope's Information Counter on any Sunday.

Upon receiving your completed registration, you'll be contacted to confirm availability of a Hope Pastor for your wedding date, and availability of space on Hope's Campus if requested.

(Please print neatly)

Bride's Full Name: _____

Age: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Groom's Full Name: _____

Age: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Wedding Details:

Wedding Date: _____

Time: _____ Number of guest expecting? _____

Location: _____ Hope Campus
_____ Off Campus Address _____

Rehearsal Date: _____

Rehearsal Location: _____

Requested Pastor:

- _____ Senior Pastor, Roman Kupecky
- _____ Executive Pastor, George Searfoss
- _____ No Preference

ABOUT THE BRIDE

1. Are you a regular attendee of Hope Community Church? Yes No If yes, how long? _____

2. Are you regularly attending another church? Yes No

If yes, please list church & location: _____

3. Current marital status: Single Divorced Widowed

If you've been married before, please note dates of marriage: From _____ to _____

4. Do you have children from a previous marriage or relationship? Yes No

If yes, please list children's ages:

5. Have you placed your faith in Jesus Christ as your personal Savior? Yes No

If no, would you like to know how to have a relationship with Jesus Christ? Yes No

If yes, please share briefly how and when you received Christ as your Savior?

ABOUT THE GROOM

1. Are you a regular attendee of Hope Community Church? Yes No If yes, how long? _____

2. Are you regularly attending another church? Yes No

If yes, please list church & location: _____

3. Current marital status: Single Divorced Widowed

If you've been married before, please note dates of marriage: From _____ to _____

4. Do you have children from a previous marriage or relationship? Yes No

If yes, please list children's ages:

5. Have you placed your faith in Jesus Christ as your personal Savior? Yes No

If no, would you like to know how to have a relationship with Jesus Christ? Yes No

If yes, please share briefly how and when you received Christ as your Savior?

WEDDING PREPARATION

Step 1 Complete Wedding Registration and Return (pages 2, 3 and 4).

Step 2. Register for Pre-Marital Class

This class is designed to help you grow in communication with each other and understand principles designed by God for a long lasting, healthy marriage. It's a pre-requisite to be married by one of Hope's Pastors.

To register for the next session, please email Info@Hope-cc.org and you will be contacted.

(Please note: Our staff must operate in good conscience and reserve the right to deny or postpone any ceremony. Denial or postponement of one pastor will preclude the use of Hope's facilities or requesting another pastor at Hope.)

Step 3. Contact Pastor for Wedding Planning

After successful completion of the premarital class, please contact your officiating pastor to schedule the first planning meeting. Your pastor will assist you with programming, and retaining personnel to help with music, lighting and audio.

Contact: Senior Pastor, Roman Kupecky: rkupecky@hope-cc.org or Executive Pastor, or George Searfoss:

gsearfoss@hope-cc.org

Step 4. Obtain Marriage License

It is the responsibility of the Bride and Groom to provide the pastor with the marriage license during the rehearsal or before the ceremony.

Step 5. Secure Additional Services

The wedding couple is responsible to arrange for any of the additional services listed below and will pay them directly.

Instrumentalists and Vocalist - The bride or groom are responsible for determining appropriate music for soloists and providing copies of sheet music for accompanist or background CDs for soloists. If you need suggestions for music or musicians, there are many wedding albums online to choose from, or contact Hope's Worship Director, Nancy Searfoss, for a listing at nsearfoss@hope-cc.org.

Music - The music selection is to be submitted to the pastor no later than one month prior to the ceremony. Because the wedding ceremony is a worship service and celebration before the Lord, your music selections should be appropriate and worshipful.

Videotaping and Photography - Videotaping your wedding is a beautiful opportunity to capture this memory. The videographer may have freedom to record with discretionary movement. Your Pastor will communicate helpful guidelines.

Floral Decorations - All decorating plans, including flower arrangements, canopies, aisle markers, bows, or other items are to be discussed and approved by the pastor for positioning prior to placing your order. Please schedule florists to deliver arrangements two hours prior to the service. Decor items should be removed from the building directly after the ceremony and photographs have been taken unless other arrangements have been made. Florists are responsible for picking up their equipment an hour after the ceremony. Hope is not responsible for storing the rental equipment.

Please supply the pastor with a list of contact names for the above services as well as times for deliveries prior to the wedding by the last planning meeting.

WEDDING FEES

Pastor Fee

The pastor fee provides 2-3 planning meetings, preparation of the personalized wedding message, rehearsal time, and wedding day activities and ceremony. This fee is to be paid directly to your officiating pastor at your final planning prior to the wedding weekend. Please provide a check in his name or cash.

The On Campus Pastor Fee is \$300.

The Off Campus Pastor Fee for travel within 30 minutes is \$350. Additional compensation will be required for off campus ceremonies that require travel time of more than 30 minutes. This amount will be determined by your pastor.

Support Staff

Additional Hope Technicians that are needed for audio or media will be retained through your officiating pastor. Those technicians will be paid \$25 an hour.

Building Fee

An hourly rate of \$50 will be incurred for building use during the wedding rehearsal and wedding day activities. This final cost will be determined by your officiating pastor and a check should be written to Hope Community Church during your last visit with your officiating pastor.