



# Wedding Guidelines

## Welcome

Thank you for considering RADIUS Church as a potential location for your wedding. The first step to scheduling your wedding at RADIUS Church is to read through these wedding guidelines and complete the online Event Request Form ([radiuschurch.org/host-your-event](http://radiuschurch.org/host-your-event)). At that time, the Operations Coordinator at RADIUS can confirm available dates and answer any additional questions you may have.

All ceremonies held at RADIUS Church need to be consistent with the church's values and beliefs. RADIUS Church reserves the right to approve, alter or deny any aspect of the event based on these beliefs. These can be found online at [www.radiuschurch.org/our-beliefs](http://www.radiuschurch.org/our-beliefs) or in Appendix I.

### RADIUS Covenant Partners

A RADIUS Pastor can be available to perform your wedding ceremony. RADIUS requires that all couples who wish to be married by a RADIUS Pastor participate in a pre-marital consultation with a RADIUS Pastor as well as engage in our Marriage Mentor process (with an assigned RADIUS couple). Guest pastors are welcome to participate and officiate; however, all requests must be made during the application process.

### Non-RADIUS Church Partners

The facility is available to non-RADIUS Church Partners, but will be evaluated on an individual basis. RADIUS requires that all couples who wish to be married by a RADIUS Pastor participate in a pre-marital consultation with a RADIUS Pastor as well as engage in our Marriage Mentor process (with an assigned RADIUS couple). Guest pastors are welcome to participate and officiate; however, all requests must be made during the application process.

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## Scheduling Your Wedding

### Facilities

RADIUS Church is located at 300 West Main Street in Lexington, SC. The church offers a 550 seat auditorium, 10,000 square feet of hosting / reception space, two caterer's kitchens and multiple additional multipurpose areas. Additionally, individual rooms can be made available if requested. The facility is open to members as well as non-members. You may schedule your wedding up to 12 months in advance.

At the time of application, please specify if a rehearsal time is also needed and the specifics related to that individual activity (facilities to be used, et. al.). To be considerate, it is imperative that all wedding party members arrive on time and the rehearsal begins and ends as detailed in the application process. This is also a good time for your photographer and/or videographer to get a relaxed feel for the space prior to the ceremony.

Your Security / Damages Deposit fee is required at the time of application.

## **Event Coordinator**

Once your wedding date is confirmed on the church's calendar, we will assign to your wedding an Event Coordinator. The Event Coordinators will:

- (1) Guide you through the wedding process as it pertains specifically to RADIUS Church and your needs.
- (2) Provide answers and guidance concerning best use of the church facilities, procedures, rehearsals, decorations, custodial services and scheduling.
- (3) In the case of any discrepancy between the wedding party, vendors or any other member associated with the wedding, the Event Coordinator will make the final decision.

## **Wedding Director**

RADIUS requires that all wedding parties provide a Wedding Director of their choosing. It is the responsibility of the Wedding Director to work with the Event Coordinator & the wedding party to make your wedding a success. If you do not have a Wedding Director, a list of quality Wedding Directors can be provided to you. Fees are set by the individual Wedding Director and questions or concerns regarding fees, payment and services should be directed to the individual Wedding Director.

## **Ceremony**

Your wedding is one of life's most sacred experiences and your entire ceremony should reflect this. Only that which is appropriate for a worship service should be included in your wedding ceremony. All ceremonies held at RADIUS Church need to be consistent with the church's values and beliefs. RADIUS Church reserves the right to approve, alter or deny any aspect of the ceremony based on these beliefs.

RADIUS Church Pastors are available for your wedding ceremony. You also have the option to invite another pastor to officiate (with prior approval).

*Pastor's Honorarium - It is completely appropriate to offer the Pastor who performs the ceremony an honorarium. **Please make payment directly to the pastor.** The traditional honorarium is \$200.00.*

## **Music**

All music selected must be submitted in writing for review and is subject to final approval by RADIUS Church.

RADIUS Church does not provide pianists, vocalists, or instrumentalists for your wedding. These arrangements are the responsibility of the wedding party. *The worship team's drum set must remain on the stage during the ceremony but can be hidden with decorative screens if desired.*

## **Audio Technician**

Due to the complex nature of the facility audio systems, all weddings require one of the church's approved audio technicians to operate the equipment for the ceremony. The technician will be scheduled through RADIUS' Technical Director.

## **Photographers/Videographers**

Photographers and videographers are not provided by RADIUS Church. Vendors unfamiliar with the logistics of the church may want to attend the rehearsal to be better prepared for your wedding day. Photographers and videographers are asked to be as inconspicuous as possible so as not to distract from the worship service. All specific questions regarding this should be directed to your Event Coordinator prior to your wedding day. Any final decisions or changes the day of your wedding will be at the authority of the Event Coordinator.

## **Receptions**

There are three main spaces that may fit your needs for a reception space on the RADIUS Church campus. In the facility located at 300 W. Main, there are two: the Auditorium Lobby / Café space and the Large Playroom. The facility located at 314 W. Main (directly adjacent to the 300 W. Main facility) also houses a large meeting space and lobby area that would be ideal for larger receptions / rehearsal meals. Both facilities (300 W. Main and 314 W. Main) house caterer's kitchens with easy, discrete access for a caterer's staff.

## **Decorations**

The following are guidelines; please discuss all decorating questions with your Event Coordinator.

- No nails, tacks, tape, pins, staples, gum or anything that will mar woodwork or furniture may be used.
- All potted plants must be in drip trays.
- Only dripless candles may be used and should be carefully arranged when used with greenery to prevent the possibility of fire.
- Pillar candles must be put into saucers to catch any drips. Plastic sheeting should also be put under candle stands.
- Candle stands are not permitted in the aisle.
- All materials used in connection with the decorations must be removed from the building immediately after the ceremony. All set-up and clean-up is the responsibility of the wedding party and clean-up should be completed within 1 hour following the departure of the Wedding Party. Failure to arrange for removal may result in forfeiture of Security/Damages deposit.
- All service equipment must be furnished by the wedding party (e.g. kneeler, candelabra) and must be delivered and picked up during the time span given for your wedding / rehearsal.

- No furniture or equipment can be moved without prior permission and must be replaced prior to departure from the facilities.
- No sprinkles, glitter, confetti or other small decorative elements may be used inside the facilities without prior approval.
- No decorations may be hanged, mounted or suspended over the stage without prior consent from the Technical Director. No hanging decorations are permitted to touch or impede any multimedia projector(s) already in place.
- Any cost associated with the removal of candle wax from carpets or furnishings will be the responsibility of the wedding couple.

### **Additional Facilities Guidelines**

Please review the following restrictions. To avoid possible embarrassment, it is suggested that these be brought to the attention of all members of the wedding party. Any questions should be discussed with your Event Coordinator.

- No confetti, rice, sparklers, or non-biodegradable items may be used during the wedding couple's departure. Balloons, bubbles or birdseed are an acceptable alternative.
- All RADIUS Church facilities are tobacco-free.
- Breakage of and/or damage to any church equipment or property must be reimbursed at replacement value and will first be deducted from your deposit. Any remaining cost will be invoiced following the wedding.
- RADIUS Church is not responsible for lost or stolen property. Please do not bring valuables. RADIUS Church is not responsible for property left at the church before, during or after a wedding.
- Childcare Facilities can be made available. This is done on a case by case basis, and RADIUS Church does not provide childcare workers for wedding events.
- Excessive clean up will result in a forfeiture of your deposit.
- Brides / Bridesmaids Dresses are to be modest and tasteful.
- Please provide a detailed menu or receipt from your caterer outlining all food and beverages to be served.

### **Alcohol, Tobacco and Drugs**

RADIUS Church allows the service and consumption of alcohol by / to all event attendees over the legal drinking age (21 years of age). Acceptable forms of alcohol are limited to beer, wine and sparkling wine. The service and / or consumption of ALL forms of "hard liquor" (ie. vodka, tequila, scotch, whiskey, et. al) are prohibited on RADIUS Church premises.

While on RADIUS Church premises, we ask all event attendees to conduct themselves in accordance with biblical and church values and to maintain appropriate control of their persons while under the influence of alcohol.

While RADIUS Church allows alcoholic beverages to be served and / or consumed, we reserve the right to “shut down the bar” (stop the service) of alcohol at any point should the on-site Event Coordinator become aware of inappropriate behavior (or any behavior that is inconsistent with proper social conduct.) Drunkenness is prohibited.

All RADIUS Church facilities are drug-free and tobacco-free.

**RADIUS Church Fee Schedule**

**Security/Damages Deposit:**

**\$500.00**

**The security deposit is due at the time you book your wedding date.** This deposit secures your date on the church facility calendar and will be returned to you within 30 days following your wedding. Failure to comply with any of the policies stated, including breakage and excessive clean-up could result in forfeiture of your deposit. Charges for damage and cleanup are not assessed on a sliding scale; the deposit is either retained or refunded in whole. The \$500 deposit is refundable if no damage occurs, cleanup by the wedding party is satisfactory and the rehearsal and ceremony take place in compliance with the above-stated policies.

**Payment:**

Please make all checks out to "RADIUS Church" with the appropriate fee / invoice / scheduled date information in the Memo line of the check. Checks can be dropped off or mailed to 300 West Main Street, Lexington SC 29072

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the undersigned, having read and understood the Wedding Guidelines document (to include Appendix I) provided to me by an employee or authorized representative of RADIUS Church, do hereby agree to abide by all policies, procedures and guidelines outlined in said document. I understand that any failure on my part to abide by these guidelines could result in the loss of any deposits (or other potentially refundable monies). Further, I agree and understand that: in the event of my failure (or the failure of any member, associate, attender or representative of my event) to abide by any policy, procedure or guideline outlined in said document that is deemed harmful, hazardous, malicious or in any other way out of line with conduct acceptable on RADIUS Church property, RADIUS Church reserves the right to immediately, physically remove me (or said member, associate, attender or representative of my event) from the RADIUS Church premises. I will, to the best of my ability, abide by the spirit of policies, procedures and guidelines outlined and will conduct myself in a manner consistent with positive social interactions when on RADIUS Church property.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Purchaser Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_ (RADIUS Representative)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

## Appendix I

# Partner Covenant

RADIUS Partners share a common salvation and belief. We commit to living real life with real faith as a family with a common purpose.

### **A Common Salvation**

RADIUS Partners have received Jesus as Savior and Lord and have been baptized in His name.

### **A Common Belief**

RADIUS Partners join the historic Church in affirming the truths of the Apostles Creed:

*We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.*

In addition to the Apostles Creed, RADIUS Partners join with historical Christianity in affirming the following:

1. God created men and women in His perfect image as two distinct genders, and together these gender distinctions fully express God's image. Our rebellion against God has tarnished this image, leaving us enslaved to our sin and deserving His eternal wrath.
2. Jesus' death and resurrection absorbed God's wrath over our sin and purchased new life for all who believe in Him. This new life is accessed by faith and brings forgiveness, reconciliation with God, and eternal adoption into God's family as sons and daughters.
3. The Bible is the story of God's relationship with mankind, revealing a perfect and loving Creator working to restore a rebellious and sinful creation. The 39 books of the Old Testament and 27 books of the New Testament are inspired in their original form and therefore completely true and authoritative.
4. Marriage is a lifelong covenant relationship between a man and a woman that is designed to reflect the relationship between Christ and His church.

### **A Common Family**

RADIUS Partners have been rescued from our selfish rebellion and placed in His family. God in his mercy calls us children, co-heirs with Christ, and priests. He is our Heavenly Father, and we are His family, forever held and redeemed by His love for us. As a church family, we value preserving our unity in Christ, authenticity in our relationships, generosity to our church and the work of God in our world, and risking everything so that others may come to know and follow Jesus.

### **A Common Purpose**

RADIUS Partners seek to live real life with real faith. We seek to live out our adoption into God's family by joining Jesus in His work of calling all men and women to faith in Him. We call these Jesus-followers priests, for they go to God on behalf of people and go to people on behalf of God. We are focused on making priests in our personal radiuses (the places where we live, work, and play) and around the world.

### **Partner Commitment**

I affirm that I have received Jesus as my Savior and Lord, and I am in agreement with RADIUS' beliefs. Through God's enabling power, I will strive to live out the values of my church family as we work together to make priests. I joyfully commit to the RADIUS Church family, and place myself under her care and authority.