



Thank you for your interest in having Cornerstone Church perform your wedding. As a church we are committed to the sanctity of marriage as designed by God and declared in His Word (Gen 2:21-25; Matthew 19:4-6; 1 Corinthians 7:1-16; Ephesians 5:25-33; Hebrews 13:4). Therefore, we desire to uphold God's design for marriage by making sure every inquiring couple understands God's will as it pertains to marriage. Marriage is not something to be taken lightly. We stand enthusiastically behind all those seeking to form a godly union, whether members of Cornerstone Church or not.

A wedding is, first and foremost, worship of the God who calls man and woman together in marriage. Recognizing this will help you as you plan your ceremony and will give you a clear vision of what the service should be. We also stand for certain policies that apply to all wishing to be married by Cornerstone Church.

Please review these policies and procedures and please fill out the "Preliminary Marriage Questionnaire" and return to Cornerstone Church, P.O. Box 4943 Jackson, WY 83001, or you may email them to Matt@cornerstonejh.com. **Please allow 2-3 weeks for us to get back to you after you have turned in this packet.**

Thank you.

Cornerstone Leadership

Eligibility

Without exception, all those desiring to be married in Cornerstone Church must fill out the "Marriage Preparation Inventory" and speak with someone on the leadership team.

All who are ordained, licensed, commissioned or otherwise authorized by this church to solemnize marriages may do so, in the exercise of religious freedom, only where the participants are one man and one woman (Gen. 2:21-24; Matt. 19:4-6; Mark 10:6-9). Church facilities may be used for weddings only where both prospective spouses are members in good standing at Cornerstone Church; church facilities are not available to the general public for that purpose.

Pre-Marital Counseling

The couple is also required to complete a minimum of 4 pre-marital counseling sessions through someone within the Cornerstone Church leadership or with another Cornerstone Church approved and recognized organization or individual.



Approval

Only after completing the questionnaire and submitting it to Cornerstone Church, and the pre-marital counselor is approved, then Cornerstone leadership will either approve or deny the request.

Scheduling

After the above procedures have been accomplished to the satisfaction of Cornerstone leadership, then a date can be scheduled and set with the pastor performing the ceremony.

*Please note that Cornerstone Church does not own a building to be used to ceremonies or receptions.

Fees

For non-members there will be a fee of \$200. This fee does not include a building use fee for the reason stated above.

Ceremony

We believe that a wedding is a celebration of worship, of grace, and of love. We gather in our Lord's name and invoke his presence and blessing. This dictates certain standards of reverence and good taste, which shall apply to the whole ceremony including the music. Plans must be fully discussed with the pastor performing the ceremony. Cornerstone Church can provide a standard order of service if needed. However, each ceremony may be conducted in a way that fits each couple's personality and desire.

Message

While there may be some variety in how you would like the message to be conducted, the pastor performing the ceremony will always include a gospel presentation, God's purposes for marriage, and what God calls each couple to be and do.

Music

The Christian wedding is a service of worship. We ask that your music selections reflect that. While there is room for personal taste and variety of music styles, music must be cleared in advance with the pastor performing the ceremony.



Rehearsals

Rehearsals are usually held the evening prior to the day of the wedding. Please allow at least one hour for the rehearsal. All persons involved in the wedding should be present and on time. (It is recommended that you tell all involved to be there 15 minutes early so that the rehearsal can start and finish promptly). If able, ushers should be present to learn other responsibilities. Parents and/or grandparents should attend so they know escorting procedures and seating placement. Musicians should also plan on being present for the entire rehearsal. All arrangements for the wedding service must be made prior to the rehearsal; rehearsals are not the time for last-minute changes in the service.

Marriage license

The marriage license should be obtained prior to the rehearsal. No wedding may take place without a license. This is an important detail, so be sure to obtain the marriage license well in advance of your wedding date.