

*Calvary Lutheran Church  
Wedding Policy and Guidelines*





Thank you for choosing Calvary Lutheran Church  
We want to make this time as memorable as possible.

***Lutherans understand marriage to be an institution ordained by God and instituted by human beings. That is, God has given us the state of marriage as both order and blessing. However, we choose our marital partners and are responsible for the covenant of marriage we make. Christian weddings are not a sacramental act in the Lutheran tradition. Rather, persons desiring to enter this ordained covenant seek the blessing assistance of God in their marriage. CLC is an inclusive congregation- any couple who can obtain a valid California Marriage License and who agrees to abide by our church's policies may, at the discretion of the pastor, be married at Calvary.***

Guidelines:

- Weddings in our sanctuary are presided at by the pastor of Calvary Lutheran Church. Ecumenical leadership and other clergy are welcomed to participate based on conversation with the pastor of Calvary. Exceptions may be made in emergency situations at Pastor Moore's discretion.
- The Altar Linens and various furnishings do not change color for weddings.
- Weddings are not scheduled during the time of Lent (Ash Wednesday thru Easter) exceptions can be made at the discretion of Pastor Moore
- Deposit of \$100.00 to be paid to reserve Wedding Date (Non Refundable)
- Security Deposit of \$100.00 for members and \$150.00 for non-members (Refundable)
- All Fees are to be paid in full 2 weeks prior to Wedding Ceremony
- Congregation Members and Non Members must complete at least three one-hour sessions of marriage pre-marital counseling with Pastor Kirsten Moore.
- No Smoking in any facility
- No Alcoholic Beverages on the property at any time

- No Food or Drink in The Narthex or Sanctuary
- Dripless Candles only at the Altar
- Organist and Power Point Tech are available, if using Calvary's equipment.
- You are welcome to bring outside Musicians as long as they provide their own instruments. Music selections must appropriate for Christian worship and approved by Pastor Moore.
- A Wedding Coordinator from Calvary is required for all Non - Member weddings and recommended for Members
- No rice, you may use grass seed or bubbles and only outside.
- A Wedding Party Member must be present for any Flower arrivals, Photographers, Hair and Makeup Artist, etc.
- We ask that all persons involved use discretion and respect to the people around; lewd and crude behavior will not be tolerated. *Calvary reserves the right to cancel a wedding at any time and retain the deposit if the space and or individuals are being disrespected.*
- All personal belongings must be picked up before you leave the Church. CLC assumes no responsibility for your items.



Fees:	Members*	Non – Members
❖ Sanctuary	\$350.00	\$450.00
❖ Courtyard	\$200.00	\$300.00
❖ Social Hall	\$100.00	\$200.00
❖ Pastor	\$200.00	\$250.00
❖ Prepare/Enrich	\$35	\$35
❖ Bulletins	TBA	TBA
❖ Secretary (printing)	\$50.00	\$100.00
❖ Technical Support	\$50.00	\$100.00
❖ Organist	\$100.00	\$150.00
❖ Wedding Coordinator	\$100.00	\$150.00
❖ Custodial Fees	\$25.00	\$50.00
❖ Security Deposit	\$100.00	\$150.00

❖ Kitchen Space, Chairs and Tables are available upon request.

❖ Security Deposit will be returned if there is no damage or misuse of facility or property

\* member rates are in place when at least one of the wedding couple, has been an actively communing and contributing member of Calvary Lutheran Church during the past 12 months



Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Bridal Party:

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❖ Services Needed

- Pastor (required)
- Bulletins/Wedding Programs
- Secretary (if using our Bulletins/Wedding Programs)
- Organist
- Technical Support
- Wedding Coordinator (required for Non-Members)
- Custodian (required for Non –Members)



By my signature, I hereby agree that we (wedding party and guest) will adhere to the guidelines of Calvary Lutheran Church. If for any reason the guidelines are not upheld, CLC reserves the right to terminate any contract at their discretion.

Pastor:  
Kirsten Moore

Date:

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Bride:

Date:

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Groom:

Date:

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**Suggested Readings! Below are some suggested readings for use during the wedding ceremony. You may choose as many readings as you like (although more than four is discouraged). If you would like to use non-biblical readings during the ceremony, please discuss them with the pastor.**

**Genesis 1:26-31**

**Genesis 2:18-24**

**Psalm 33:18-22**

**Psalm 100**

**Psalm 128:1-4**

**Psalm 150**

**Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**

**Song of Solomon 2:10-13**

**Song of Solomon 8:6-7**

**Isaiah 63:7-9**

**Matthew 5:13-16**

**Mark 12:28-31**

**John 2:1-11**

**John 15:9-17**

**Romans 12:1-2**

**1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13**

**Philippians 4:4-7**

**Philippians 4:8-9**

**Colossians 3:12-17**

**1 John 4:7-12**