

Wedding Booklet 2018-19

NASSAU PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The marriage service is one of the most significant times in the lives of people.

*It is far-reaching in its implications and consequences, not only for the couple being married,
but also for the families from which they come and for the larger community of which they are a part.*

- From the Presbyterian Book of Order

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Contact Information

NASSAU PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Initial Steps

Contact the Church, Meet the Minister(s), Schedule Your Wedding

- Contact the church at least twelve weeks in advance of your anticipated wedding date.
- If you are not a member or regular attender of the church, you must attend worship and introduce yourself to one of the pastors. Upon introducing yourself, express your intent.
- After introducing yourself, contact the wedding coordinator who will send you the “Wedding Information Form” to fill out and submit.
- If you have not already done so, the wedding coordinator will connect you with a Minister to officiate the ceremony.

NOTE: if a minister or musician is desired from outside Nassau Presbyterian Church (NPC), the pastoral staff must review and approve your request. In order for a minister from outside NPC to officiate a wedding at NPC, a letter must be submitted from the minister to NPC which includes the date of the minister’s ordination and religious affiliation.

Pre-marital counseling with the minister is typically required (usually three to four sessions), and worship planning will be a joint effort.

After your initial contact with the minister who will officiate your ceremony, your wedding and rehearsal date will be placed on the church calendar.

Rehearsal

The time for the rehearsal is scheduled with the minister. All members of the wedding party must attend the rehearsal, including parents of both the bride and groom, if at all possible. The entire party is expected to be at the church on time.

- We require that you bring checks (see Fee Schedule) and your marriage license to the rehearsal.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Below are noteworthy points for the marriage license application process in New Jersey. Please see <https://nj.gov/health/vital/registration-vital/marriage-licenses/#3> for complete details including cost and required identification.

Where to Apply

- Apply for the marriage license in the New Jersey municipality where either party resides. The license is valid throughout New Jersey.
 - If neither applicant is a New Jersey resident, submit the application in the municipality where the marriage ceremony will be performed. In this case, the license is only valid in the issuing municipality.

Waiting Period

- There is a 72-hour waiting period before the license is issued. The waiting period begins when the application is filed with the Local Registrar.
 - The marriage license application is valid for six months from the date accepted.

Wedding

MINISTER

If you have not already done so, the wedding coordinator will connect you with a minister to officiate the ceremony.

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MUSICIAN(S)

Once the wedding date has been scheduled, the wedding coordinator or minister will provide you with the contact information for the church musician (organist and/or pianist). The musician will be able to assist you with your selections of music.

- Contact the organist/pianist to arrange music for the ceremony. (Please plan for a one-hour meeting.)
 - If you wish to have a guest organist or pianist, approval must be given by the Director of Music.

Additional instrumentalists and vocalists are welcome to participate in your ceremony. Please be advised that fees are associated with the additional work required of the organist or pianist.

When selecting music for the ceremony, please be mindful that the Presbyterian Church (USA) considers your wedding to be a service of worship. Therefore, your music should fit the joyous and sacred character of the day. In particular, texts of songs should fit this standard. Your musician will assist you in determining the best music for your ceremony from a wide variety of selections.

WEDDING COORDINATOR

You may contact the wedding coordinator at the church office. The coordinator will assist you in handling the details of your wedding. Please advise us in advance if any additional wedding coordinators have been contracted. NPC's wedding coordinator has sole authority during the rehearsal and ceremony.

DECORATIONS

Simple treatments are preferred.

Pew bows are permitted, but please advise your florist that they must be attached to plastic clips. We do not allow tape to be used anywhere in the sanctuary.

Two large standing candelabra are available. You will need 15- to 18-inch high candles. Smokeless and dripless candles are preferred. The church does not provide candles.

Throwing of rice or flowers on the outside steps is NOT permitted.

PICTURES

- Please communicate the following with your photographer:
 - The wedding ceremony at Nassau Presbyterian Church is a service of worship.
 - Flash photography is NOT to be taken during the service.
 - The photographer may take flash photography during the processional and recessional. The photographer may take non-flash photography from a stationary position behind the last seated guest or from the balcony.
 - Video may be recorded only from the balcony and only at a standing location.

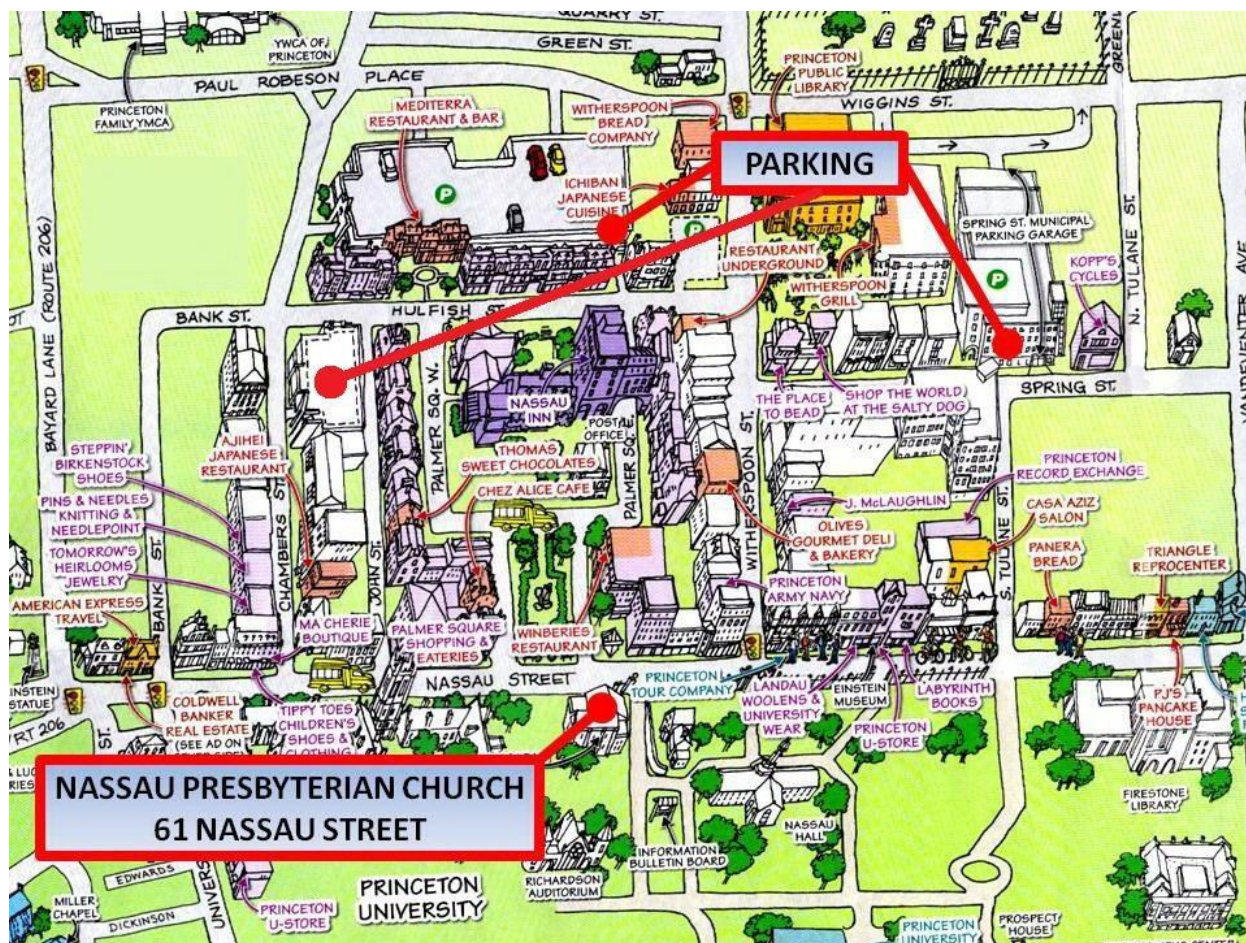
If you have any questions, please contact NPC's wedding coordinator.

PARKING

Parking at the church is limited. The curbside space on Nassau Street in front of the sanctuary can be reserved for the wedding parties. In this event, the church will contact the police department for permission to use this space.

- Please notify the wedding coordinator regarding any needs of the wedding parties.

Parking for guests will be on the street or in the indicated parking garages below.



BULLETIN

Bulletins are available upon request. (See “Wedding Information Form.”)

The cost of the bulletin featured below is \$0.05 each. They will be printed in black and white on cream, medium weight, 4.25 x 11-inch paper. If you have indicated that you would like bulletins, the wedding coordinator will contact you for the pertinent information.

Late notification will be subject to refusal or additional costs.

Front

WEDDING CEREMONY OF

Lauren G. Mayer
Kristian H. Feher

Saturday, July 1, 2017
12:00 P. M.
Nassau Presbyterian Church
Princeton, New Jersey

Prelude

Processional

"Trumpet Voluntary in D" by Clarke

Opening Sentences

Statement on the Gift of Marriage

Prayer

Declaration of Intent

Affirmation of the Congregation

MINISTER: Will all of you witnessing these vows
do everything in your power to uphold
Lauren and Kristian and will you give
them your blessing in their marriage?

ALL: We will.

Scripture Readings

Philippians 4:4-9
Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Homily

Exchange of Vows

Blessing and Exchange of Rings

Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Announcement of Marriage

Charge and Benediction

Recessional

"Hornpipe" by Handel

Back

Minister
The Reverend Doctor David A. Davis

Organist
Noel Werner

Reader
Nancy Varga

Ushers
Kevin Noonan and Ryan Goldsmith

Parents of the Groom
Alexander and Ursula Feher

Brother of the Groom and Best Man
Patrick Feher

Uncle of the Groom
Friedrich Gothe

Parents of the Bride
Stephen and Gloria Mayer

Sister of the Bride
Christa Mayer

Honorary Family Member of the Bride
Min Han

Man of Honor
Daniel Forest

WITH GRATITUDE

We thank each and every one of you
for your continued love and support
and for celebrating with us today.

We wish to honor Kristian's grandmother, Emilie Feher,
who was unable to make the trip from Germany
to be here for this special occasion.

And on this joyous day
we remember with happiness and love
those who have gone before us,
especially Lauren's uncle, John Gomes.
We remember our beloved grandparents,
aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.
They are forever in our hearts.

Immediately following the ceremony and receiving line,
please gather in front of the church for a group photo.

The luncheon reception starts at 1:00 P. M.

MEDITERRA RESTAURANT
Palmer Square
29 Hulfish Street

Reception

If desired, a reception may be held at NPC. If you plan a reception at the church, arrangements must be made well in advance.

- Contact the Business Administrator to schedule additional use of the building.

The wedding coordinator will also assist you at the time of the reception.

POLICY ON ALCOHOL

No alcohol is permitted on premise for insurance reasons. If alcohol consumption occurs on premise, you are subject to a fine.

Fees

BUILDING RENTAL FEES

For non-members there is a fee for the use of the sanctuary or chapel; additionally, a deposit of \$200 is required before the wedding is scheduled on the church calendar. This should be submitted along with the “Wedding Information Form.”

If the rental time exceeds four hours, there will be additional charges on behalf of the custodian and/or wedding coordinator. If the wedding party is late to the rehearsal or wedding, additional fees may be charged.

PERSONNEL FEES

All weddings have fees for the custodian and wedding coordinator. There is also an honorarium for the musician and minister. All fees and honorariums must be paid to the wedding coordinator by the end of the rehearsal. The wedding coordinator will send you a list of names of people to whom you will need to write checks.

FEE SCHEDULE

	Members	Non-Members
Sanctuary Rental	None	\$1,000
Chapel Rental	None	\$500
Reservation Deposit	---	\$200 (toward total fee)
Minister Honorarium	\$500	\$750
Organist Honorarium	\$300	\$325
Wedding Coordinator	\$350*	\$350 *
Custodian	\$300*	\$300 *

* Custodian and wedding coordinator fees are subject to change depending on length of rental and the presence of non-staff clergy (additional \$50).