

# Wedding Policy and Authorization

Beech Grove Christian Church  
1207 Beech Grove Road  
Roseland, Va. 22967

We congratulate you on your intention to enter into marriage and your interest in having a church wedding here at Beech Grove Christian Church. It is our prayer at Beech Grove Christian Church that your wedding will be first and foremost a God-centered event. We also pray that your marriage in the days and years following will be Christ-centered, based on Biblical truths, and lived for the glory of God.

## POLICY:

At Beech Grove Christian Church (BGCC) we embrace the Biblical authority that a marriage in the eyes of God is only between a man and a woman. BGCC does not approve, condone, participate in or in any way recognize any marriage that is not between one man and one woman. Same sex marriages, civil unions, contracted relationships, etc. will not be performed at BGCC.

We strongly encourage pre-marital Christian counseling before your ceremony. Although not necessary to use our facility, pre-marital Christian counseling will help build a strong foundation for your marriage. Please call our pastor (540-241-2317) if you wish to seek more information on this issue.

BGCC allows the use of its facility for Christian weddings only. Those outside a true Christian faith or of no faith affiliation will not be permitted the use of our facility.

Wedding ceremonies should be worshipful celebrations and expressions of your Christian faith. All ceremonies should follow a traditional Christian format, consistent with worship practices at BGCC.

You must be a member of BGCC or a family member of a member of BGCC to have your wedding ceremony at our church. We also expect you meet all the qualifications listed in this policy.

You must arrange the services of a pastor to conduct your wedding ceremony. Please have the officiating pastor chosen contact the pastor of BGCC at least one week prior to the wedding date.

The seating capacity of BGCC is approximately 150. We do have a small balcony at the rear of the church for additional seating.

- You must arrange for your own music. The church has a piano, an organ, and a sound system which may be used.
- You may move the communion table and chairs beside it. Please put them back after the wedding.
- You may use our candelabras with your candles but please **DO NOT LIGHT THEM**. Because of their proximity to the wall they could pose a fire hazard.
- Do not move the pulpit or the 3 pulpit chairs from within the pulpit area.
- The church must be vacated by 8:00 pm on the wedding day.
- If you use the fellowship hall for refreshments after rehearsal, you are asked to leave it clean and free of food on the tables. Our cleaning services do not come until after the wedding.
- Please do not use bird seed or rice within the sanctuary.
- Please keep our church facilities clean.
- Do not lock any doors to the church.
- Alcoholic beverages and smoking are **NOT** permitted on the premises at any time.

## AUTHORIZATION FORM:

Beech Grove Christian Church charges \$150.00 for use of the facilities which includes the wedding rehearsal, wedding ceremony, and reception. Use of the outdoor pavilion is also allowed. Honorary gifts (for the pastor, musicians, etc.) are not included in this figure. We ask that this non-refundable fee of \$150 be paid one month prior to your wedding date. Please make this check payable to Beech Grove Christian Church with a notation of the wedding party. Cash will also be accepted.

Wedding Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you need our facility for the rehearsal? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Do you need our facility for the reception? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

### GROOM INFORMATION

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

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Present Church Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

### BRIDE INFORMATION

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

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Present Church Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

If you need more information concerning the use of this facility or questions concerning our wedding policy, please call Pastor Mike Auen at 540-241-2317 or email at [pastormike@beechgrovecc.org](mailto:pastormike@beechgrovecc.org). Once your wedding at BGCC has been approved, please complete and forward this form to [info@beechgrovecc.org](mailto:info@beechgrovecc.org) or send it to our street address at 1207 Beech Grove Road, Roseland, VA. 22967.