

Lynhaven's Marriage and Wedding Policy

There are few things as joyous as celebrating a wedding! Here is what you need to know about hosting your wedding at the Lynhaven. If you have any questions, please contact Emily at 985-788-2699.

God established marriage as a sacred covenant between one man and one woman to reflect Christ's relationship with His Church (Eph. 5:21-23). In keeping with biblical teaching, the Church requires the following for any couple seeking to celebrate a marriage at the Church; as a religious organization we adhere to the same policies.

- *Faith* - Both bride and groom must have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ (2 Cor. 6:14).
- *Celibacy* - The engaged couple must live separately before their wedding day. Sexual intimacy is to be celebrated exclusively within marriage (1 Thess. 4:3).
- *Man/ Woman Monogamy* - Marriage is a sacred union of one man and woman. [The Church] does not recognize, nor will it take part in, any ceremony that does not meet the basic criteria (Gen. 2:24; Matt. 19:4-5).
- *Premarital Counseling* - The engaged couple must participate in [an approved counseling program] prior to the wedding ceremony. Please schedule at least 3 months in advance to allow adequate time for premarital counseling.

If you are requesting use of the Lynhaven's facilities for a wedding, please list the names and contact information of the bride, groom, and officiant:

Bride:

Groom:

Please list the name, contact information, and religious affiliation of the person officiating the wedding:

Please describe the marriage preparation counseling or training undertaken by the bride and groom:

I (the User) affirm that:

1. I understand that the Lynhaven does not allow its facilities to be used in any way that materially conflicts with its faith.
2. To the best of my knowledge, the purpose for which I am requesting use of the Lynhaven's facilities will not contradict its Statement of Faith, and I commit to promptly disclose any potential conflict of which I am aware of or become aware of to Lynhaven's staff.
3. I understand that upon approval of my "Facilities Use Request", I will need to provide a security deposit in the amount of \$_____, a certificate of insurance for at least \$_____ of coverage, and any other fees required by the Lynhaven.
4. I understand that I will be responsible for any damages to the Lynhaven facilities resulting from this proposed use of facilities.
5. I understand that the Lynhaven believes disputes are to be worked out between parties pursuant to Matthew 18 and 1 Corinthians 6, without recourse to the courts. Accordingly, I agree to attempt resolution of any disputes through Christian mediation.

Name:

Date:

Bride:

Groom:

Date of Wedding:

Wedding Officiant:

Premarital Counseling Program:

Completed?

Is this a remarriage for either party?

Please explain: