



Use of the Church For Weddings

The use of the Riverside Baptist Church (RBC) building and facilities for wedding and/or renewal of vow ceremonies is a privilege granted by the congregation. Therefore, the following guidelines are established for the purpose of determining to whom the church will be available for these services. The church shall be available to those who are related to the church in some way. This would mean that the groom and/or bride, or their parents, or some close relative, are members of RBC. It would be expected that the prospective couple (one man and one woman) are in attendance at RBC and are in good standing. It is expected that the couple go through a pre-marital counseling course with RBC minister. It is also expected that they are faithful in giving. Therefore, there are no donations expected for use of the sanctuary* and reception.* However, reasonable considerations shall be made for compensating the human resources involved (*minister, pianist, soloist, et al*).

In the case where request is made to use the church by those who are not related to RBC, such request shall be passed on to the Pastor and the Board of Deacons. The prospective couple (one man and one woman) will have to go through a pre-marital counseling course with RBC minister. Outside ministers (with their own pre-marital counseling as well) are generally not permitted, unless otherwise approved by the Pastor and the Board of Deacons. Since the church building and its facilities are dedicated to God and His service, we do not rent our facilities. However, since there are costs involved in time, facilities bills, and human resources whenever the doors are opened, the following figures are set as guidelines (as of Sept. 17, 2024):

For Sanctuary Use:

*Sanctuary Use	\$400.00 (100 people and below) \$500.00 (101 people and up)
Minister's Honorarium	\$200.00 (not including pre-marital)
Music Minister/Soloist	\$100.00
Ushers	\$50.00 (per usher)
Organist	\$100.00
Pianist	\$100.00
Sound Technician	\$100.00
Wedding Coordinator	\$200.00
Custodian (Sanctuary cleaning)	\$100.00

For Reception Use:

*Downstairs Fellowship Hall (max capacity 200)	\$300.00 (max use 3 hours)
*Discipleship Center (max capacity 25)	\$100.00 (max use 2 hours)
Custodian (Reception cleaning)	\$100.00 (\$50 for Discipleship Ctr)