

Your Wedding Planner

The ceremony is the most important part of your wedding day and is often the highlight – after all, it is when you actually become married! The following suggestions are based on a traditional Christian service. Before you meet with your officiant (minister, priest, rabbi...) to discuss the ceremony, you might like to research the wedding customs of your faith. Check with your officiant as to how personalised the service can be. Consider including special music, readings and prayers that reflect your own tastes and love for each other.

venue

Name of church.....
 Church capacity.....
 Contact.....
 Address.....
 Phone..... Mobile.....
 Email.....
 Website.....
 Date of ceremony..... time.....
 Introductory session to the church.....
 Date..... time.....
 TOTAL PRICE.....
 Church fees.....
 Deposit..... date due.....
 Balance..... date due.....
 Marriage licence/certificate..... price.....
 Rehearsal date..... time.....
 Rehearsal dinner date..... time.....

officiant

Name.....
 Address.....
 Phone..... Mobile.....
 Email.....
 Website.....
 Fee..... date due.....

the service

Vows.....
 Reading.....
 Reader's name.....
 Reading.....
 Reader's name.....
 Psalms.....
 Hymns.....
 Music.....
 Before the ceremony.....
 Processional music.....
 During signing of register.....
 Recessional music.....
 After the ceremony.....
 Organist..... price.....

Choir..... price.....
 Musician..... price.....
 Singer..... price.....
 Other..... price.....
 Bell-ringer..... price.....
 Stereo/sound system..... price.....
 Order of service.....

timing

Set-up with flowers/decorations etc.....
 Organised by.....
 Arrival of usher/s.....
 Arrival of photographer/videographer.....
 Arrival of musician/s.....
 Arrival of groom.....
 Arrival of guests.....

permission

Photographs.....
 Video.....
 Sound recording.....
 Confetti.....
 Candles.....
 Other.....

top tips

- ♥ Some churches have regulations about photography and filming so it is important to check their policies before booking your photographer and videographer.
- ♥ Make sure that the power outlets are adequate.
- ♥ Some churches may limit the number of flower arrangements for the altar and sanctuary; other locations prohibit the use of candles.
- ♥ Make sure you obtain approval to include performances and your preferred music.
- ♥ One order of service per couple should suffice, however some people prefer to take one each. Provide the officiant and bridal party with a copy well before the ceremony.

