

WEDDINGS AT W83 Ministry Center

Thank you for considering W83 Ministry Center as your wedding venue, and congratulations on your upcoming wedding. Wedding ceremonies held at W83 follow the Redeemer Presbyterian Church Wedding Policy. This policy requires that individuals wishing to marry must complete an initial meeting with a Redeemer pastor, attend Redeemer's premarital seminar, go through premarital counseling sessions with a Redeemer pastor, and arrange for a Redeemer pastor to officiate your wedding. If you wish to have your wedding ceremony at W83, please complete the following steps.

STEP 1 - CONTACT A REDEEMER OFFICIANT

Please contact Redeemer Presbyterian Church as early as possible to request an officiant for your wedding date, allowing adequate time to complete the pre-marital counseling process. To contact Redeemer, please visit Redeemer's <u>Guidelines for Marriage webpage</u>, where you will be directed to complete Redeemer's Pre Wedding Questionnaire. Note that both individuals must fill out the Pre-Wedding Questionnaire. Once completed and submitted, the Questionnaire will go to the appropriate congregation, depending on the officiant requested. The congregation will reach out to you and work with you to determine officiant availability for your wedding ceremony.

Please allow *at least six months* between the time of initial contact and your wedding date. All requests will start with an initial meeting between you and the Redeemer pastor. During this meeting, please be prepared to discuss the following with the pastor:

Your Christian faith: When did you become a Christian? What does it mean to be a Christian? What is the role of the Christian faith in your life? Are you both actively involved as members of a local church?
The nature of your relationship: What is the history of your relationship? How do your friends and family feel about you as a couple? What do you perceive to the strengths and weaknesses of your relationship? Are you living

together? Have you maintained sexual purity? Are there past relationships that are unreconciled?

STEP 2 - CONTACT THE W83 EVENTS OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR DATE

Please contact the W83 Ministry Center Events Management office by filling out this <u>event request</u> <u>form</u>. The W83 Events Management office will work with you to determine space availability for your wedding ceremony, while you work with Redeemer Presbyterian Church to secure an officiant for your ceremony. Please note that the W83 Events Management office does not have a direct say in helping you secure a Redeemer officiant for your ceremony, so we ask that you please keep us in the loop as you work with the appropriate congregation.