

CHURCH OF THE PALMS

Wedding Booklet

Thank you for your interest in Church of the Palms as the site for your wedding!

After reviewing the contents of this booklet, if you have questions or would like to book the church for your wedding, please contact our pastor, The Rev. Todd A. Petty, at:

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Thank you and Best Wishes!

Common Questions

What is the cost of a wedding at Church of the Palms?

The basic charge for a wedding at Church of the Palms in 2026 is $1,450.00. This basic charge does not include honorariums for the minister and/or organist.

Basic Wedding Charge (2026)	$1,450.00
Minister Honorarium *If using the minister from Church of the Palms*	**$400.00**
Organist Honorarium *If using the organist from Church of the Palms*	**$300.00**
Partial Payment to Book the Wedding *Applied to the basic charge*	**$750.00**
Security Deposit *In addition to the basic charge; refundable*	**$350.00**
Each Additional Hour *Beyond the five hours included*	**$375.00**

If you use the minister and organist from Church of the Palms, in addition to the basic charge the Minister Honorarium is $400.00 and the Organist Honorarium is $300.00. Honorariums must be paid one week prior to the wedding ceremony. Honorariums are made out directly to the Minister and Organist.

A partial payment of $750.00 must be paid to book the wedding. The balance is due two weeks prior to the wedding. All but $250.00 of the initial partial payment is refundable if the wedding is canceled.

If you do not use the minister and/or organist from Church of the Palms, you are responsible to pay the minister and/or organist/musicians of your choice.

Security Deposit

A $350 security deposit is required in addition to the basic wedding charge. The security deposit will be returned to you if the Sanctuary is left in the same condition that you found it.

The Sanctuary

What instruments are available in the Sanctuary?

Church of the Palms is blessed with a 52 rank Schantz Pipe Organ built by The Schantz Organ Company, Orrville, Ohio in 1982.

▶ CLICK TO HEAR THE PIPE ORGAN AND TRUMPET EN CHAMADE

In addition to the Pipe Organ, the Sanctuary has a Baby Grand Piano.

Only Church of the Palms music staff are permitted to play the pipe organ.



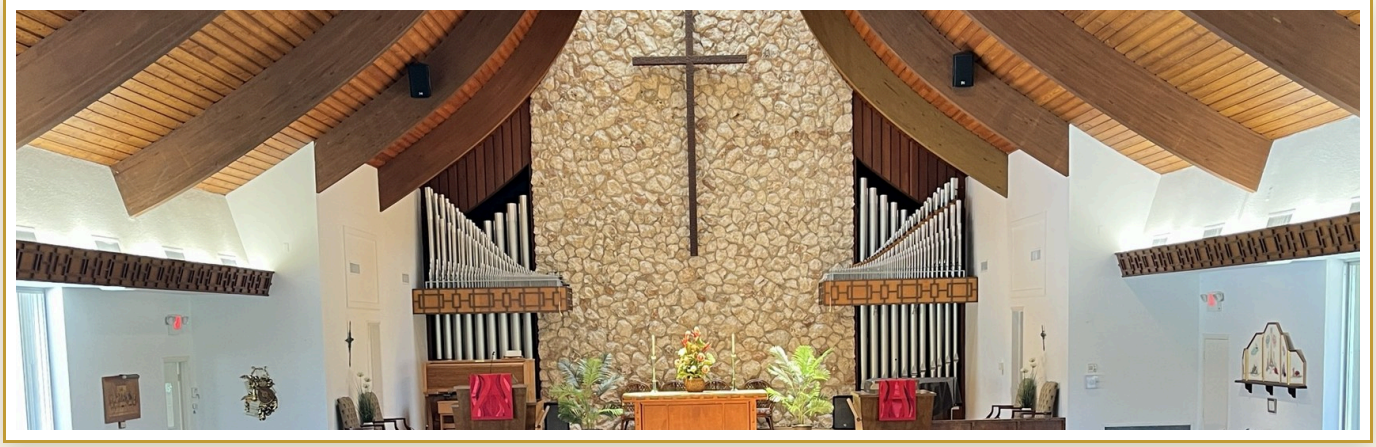
How many people does the Sanctuary hold?

The Sanctuary holds 280 people.

How much time is allotted for the rehearsal and wedding?

The basic wedding charge ($1,450.00) provides a total of five (5) hours for the rehearsal and wedding. Typically, two (2) hours are reserved for the rehearsal and three (3) hours are reserved for the wedding. Each additional hour is $375.00.

280	2 hrs	3 hrs
GUESTS SEATED	REHEARSAL	WEDDING



Other Items

- The clergy of Church of the Palms do not offer pre-marital counseling. However, pre-marital counseling is strongly encouraged and a referral can be made.
- If you use a pastor from Church of the Palms, he/she will meet with you in advance of the wedding ceremony for a get-acquainted session that will also include reviewing the service outline (i.e. liturgy).
- Garden Weddings are allowed. The Garden is a lovely setting for an outdoor wedding. The Garden may also be used for wedding party pictures before and/or after the wedding ceremony.
- Tape and/or wire may not be used to affix any decorations to the pews.
- Flower petals may be dropped inside the Sanctuary ONLY if using a runner.
- Bird seed, rice, flower petals, and balloons may not be thrown or released outside.
- No live candles may be used. No alcoholic beverages are allowed on the campus.



The Garden



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