



Congratulations!

The planning of a wedding and the celebration of marriage is an important time in our lives. We are honored that you would consider making promises and vows to one another in the midst of our community. Trinity Cathedral strives to be a faithful community: to God and one another. Every marriage begins and ends with a relationship: our relationship with God and with one another. It is our hope that your desire to celebrate your marriage here begins with a sense of support and community.

In this policy, you will find excerpts from the Book of Common Prayer regarding the celebration and blessing of marriages. Please keep these guidelines in mind as you are planning your wedding.

There are two important questions required by the Canons of the Episcopal Church:

1. Is either party a member of Trinity Cathedral or a member of an Episcopal Church?
2. Has either member of the couple been divorced?

The Canons of the Episcopal Church maintain that all weddings are public services. This Canon begins with the understanding that the marriage is surrounded by a community of faith and support. Members of the Cathedral are welcome to attend weddings in the Cathedral as a sign of support from your Christian community. If you are not already a member of Trinity Cathedral or an Episcopal church, we ask that before proceeding you consider attending worship and meeting with a member of the clergy.

The Canons of the Episcopal Church require special permission of the Bishop for marriages following a divorce. The clergy will make an application to the Bishop on your behalf.

Once these two questions are answered, the Cathedral can move forward with you as you plan your wedding.

Please read over our policies carefully. We hope it will answer any questions you may have about planning a wedding at the Cathedral. Our goal is to offer you a beautiful wedding, and support for a strong, lasting marriage.

God grant you many years together,
Peace be with you,

The Very Reverend Amy Dafler Meaux, Dean and Rector