



Wedding Music Policy and Guide

Peace Lutheran Church
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As you begin your wedding planning, we look forward to assisting with the music for your special day. We typically use the organ or piano, with soloists being optional. If you have friends or family members who plan to participate, please provide Dr. Dixon with their contact information.

All music and musicians must be pre-approved regardless of who is playing or singing. We allow classical and contemporary music as well as Contemporary Christian songs. We do not allow secular love songs. "Popular" music is best used at your reception.

The organist and soloists fees are separate from the church's fee. The organist fee is \$175.00. This is paid directly to Dr. Joan DeVee Dixon, Director of Music Ministry or Paul Otte, Director of Music Emeritus prior to the rehearsal. Once your wedding date is set on the church's calendar, we will make sure that one of us is available to play for your date.

One more very important thing: Once the organist begins playing, there is no way for us to communicate with Pastor or the Wedding Planner. We will finish playing at the time of your ceremony and the church's bell will ring. It is imperative that the mothers are seated and that you are ready to go. We will begin exactly on time.

Again, we look forward to working with you!

Here are some of the most common musical suggestions. The organist will play many possible selections for you when we meet to plan your music.

Prelude or Processional / Unity Candle

Trumpet Voluntaries (there are many different ones)

Jeremiah Clarke (Prince of Denmark's March); John Stanley; Henry Purcell

Pachelbel: Canon in D

J.S. Bach: Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Handel: Water Music (some movements are slow, some are fast)

Vivaldi: The Four Seasons (some movements are slow, some are fast)

Arioso by Paul Manz

How Beautiful by Twila Paris

18th Variation by Sergie Rachmaninoff

The Gift of Love (When Love is Found)...English melody

Recessional / Postlude

Toccata from Symphony No. 5 by Charles Marie Widor
Hornpipe from Water Music by Georg Frederic Handel
Now Thank We All Our God, J.S. Bach, arr. Virgil Fox
Prelude in Classical Style by Gordon Young
Postlude on Old 100th (Doxology) by Fred Bock

Hymns, Songs, Solos

Our hymnal has three wedding hymns:

Hymn 858 (Maroon): O Father, All Creating

Hymn 859 (Maroon): Lord, When You Came a Welcome Guest

Hymn 860 (Maroon): Gracious Savior, Grant Your Blessing

The Gift of Love / When Love Is Found (found in various hymnals)

The Lord's Prayer...Albert Hay Malotte

If you have a soloist, please meet with us for more suggestions.

The following musical selections are **not** permitted at Peace.

It is recommended that "popular" selections be used at the wedding reception.

Secular music, opera solos, and show tunes

Popular love songs

Country love songs

Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin by Richard Wagner

Wedding March from A Midsummer Night's Dream by Felix Mendelssohn

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