Couples Considering Engagement

Couples considering engagement are encouraged to read “Pre-engagement: 5 Questions to Ask Yourselves” by David Powlison & John Yenchko available from the church office. Also, the pastoral staff at Covenant Presbyterian Church considers it essential that they meet with couples *before* engagement.

# Preparing for Marriage

At Covenant Presbyterian Church, we believe that preparing for marriage is much more important than planning a wedding. In our day, very few couples effectively prepare for marriage although their wedding is very beautiful. God is the one who has designed marriage and therefore He alone has the right to define the marriage relationship, and He does so by calling it a “covenant.” In other words, marriage is a public, legal, permanent, and exclusive promise to become each other’s loving companion for life. Because God holds marriage in such high regard, the pastors at Covenant Presbyterian Church offer pre-marital counseling to help couples lay a strong foundation for marriage.

In order to be married by a pastor from Covenant Presbyterian Church, several things must be taken into consideration:

1. Couples should either be members in good standing at Covenant Presbyterian Church or in the process of pursuing church membership.\* Information on becoming a church member can be obtained by calling the church office.
2. The couple must complete our premarital counseling process (normally led by the Associate Pastor). This process is designed for either couples considering engagement or those who have recently become engaged. Please note: engaged couples *must* consult with a pastor *before* finalizing their official wedding date. Engaged couples ought to allow at least 4 months to complete the pre-marital counseling process. To begin meeting with one of the pastors from Covenant, please call the church office to set up an appointment.

# Guidelines on Facility Use

Couples outside of Covenant Presbyterian Church desiring to use the church facilities for the purpose of a wedding ceremony may contact the church office for a copy of Covenant’s “Wedding Policy.”