Welcome!

Thank you for your interest in Williston-Immanuel United Church. WIUC is an open and affirming congregation welcoming all couples. Here is some information that we hope you will find helpful as you plan your wedding.

Williston-Immanuel United Church follows Maine State Law as well as all Maine CDC COVID-19 guidance for indoor events. As of July 2021, we ask all unvaccinated people to wear masks inside the church.



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Pricing for non-members

Wedding in the Sanctuary (seating capacity: 450): \$2000.00 (includes Sexton fee of \$300 and rehearsal time.)

Add one of our Pastors: \$400.00.

Add one of our Organists or Pianists: \$300.00.

Add a soloist: \$100 per song.

We ask for a \$500.00 deposit to hold the date. Do not worry-- if the COVID-19 pandemic forces a reschedule, we will work with you to find a new date.

Day-of Coordination may be available for a fee of \$50/hr and must be arranged ahead of time. Contact Kate if interested.

Special offers

Couples using the Westin Portland Harborview Hotel for their reception may take 20% off the Sanctuary rental rate (this excludes the fees for staff).

Members of UCC or ABC churches may take off 20% of the Sanctuary rental rate (excludes fees for staff).

The wedding rehearsal

Sanctuary rentals include rehearsal time of up to 3 hours (usually the evening before the ceremony). The pianist or organist normally is scheduled for only the first half-hour of the rehearsal.



Pew and Window Decorations

Please use ribbon ties or plastic-covered wires and avoid using tape to attach decorations.

The center aisle is 70 feet, 8 inches long and 4 feet, 6 inches wide. There are 30 large pews and 38 small pews in the Sanctuary. Please contact us to discuss this seating configuration as it may be changing.

We have candles and candelabras that may be used for no extra charge. Each candelabra holds 7 candles.

FAQ

Q: How will the sanctuary be decorated at Christmas?

A: During Advent, we usually have a big evergreen wreath up front and several smaller wreaths along the sides—all with red bows. We also are likely to have red, white, and pink poinsettias.

Q: Is the church wheelchair accessible?

A: Yes! There are ramps via the Deering Place parking lot.

Q: Do you require couples to have pastoral counseling before the ceremony?

A: No. We do not require pastoral counseling.

Q: Can our dog be in the ceremony? He is a good boi.

A: Of course! The office would appreciate a standard pet tax (one cute photo of the pet in their wedding attire!) for our scrapbook.

Convenient Portland location

Beautiful stone exterior

Exquisite stained glass windows

Vaulted, exposed-beam ceiling

Versatile pipe organ and pianos

Off-street parking

Located directly across High Street from the Westin Harborview Hotel!



Please mail deposit checks to: Williston-Immanuel United Church 156 High Street Portland, ME 04101

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Weddings at Williston-Immanuel United Church

An Open and Affirming faith community in Portland, Maine



Sheba & Brock in the WIUC cloister on their wedding day in 2019.

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