

Condensbeath Trinity Church

Love is kind and patient,
never jealous, boastful, proud, or rude.
Love isn't selfish or quick tempered.
It doesn't keep a record of wrongs
Love rejoices in the truth, but not in evil.
Love is always supportive, loyal,
hopeful, and trusting.
Love never fails!

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 (CEV)



Wedding Information

Marriage is a lifelong commitment and should not be entered into lightly. This leaflet has been produced to offer help and guidance on matters related to marriage for those requesting their ceremony to be held within either of our church locations in Cowdenbeath or Crosgates.

In Christian marriage, vows are taken, and promises are made which include God, therefore, everyone involved needs to be aware of what this undertaking means.

Do We Need To Be Church Members?

We do not insist that couples should be members of the Church and welcome everyone, but we hope that those who come to us will want more than simply having “a nice location to be married in”.

Can Divorced People Be Remarried?

Sadly, marriage breakdown has become more common in our society but being divorced does not automatically exclude anyone from remarrying in the church. Indeed, the Church of Scotland believes that everyone should be given the facility to start afresh. However, it is left to the individual minister’s discretion and where appropriate our minister will be privileged to assist.

What Do I Need To get Married?

A church wedding is the ceremonial heart of a marriage. The legal requirement is the signing of the Marriage Schedule. The Schedule is issued by the Registrar on notice and presentation of the appropriate documents: Birth certificates Death certificate(s) of a deceased spouse Copy(ies) of Decree of Divorce. It is now the legal requirement to give 28 full days’ notice of the intent to marriage to the Registrar. All couples are urged to be in touch with the Registrar at least **TWO MONTHS** prior to the date of the intended marriage.

NO MARRIAGE CAN TAKE PLACE WITHOUT A MARRIAGE SCHEDULE

Order of Service / Vows

Our temporary minister while we are vacant is Rev Arthur Christie and he is open minded and flexible, so you can discuss with him how you sense you would like things to be done and who will be involved. He will strive to make your day unique and special for you. However whilst there is room for flexibility this will always be within the framework that it is a Christian service taking place within a sanctuary.

Taking of Photographs and Videos

The taking of photographs by guests is not allowed during the worship service, but opportunities will be given from the signing of the register. The taking of videos is allowed from specified areas within the church, again the minister will be happy to advise.

Flowers

If you wish flowers in the church, a suitable time for their insertion must be agreed with the Church Caretaker. This is normally done the night before or on the morning of the wedding.

How much does it cost to married in the church?

The use of the church	£250.00
The Organist	£ 60.00

It would be appreciated if these fees to be placed in separate marked envelopes and given to the minister on or before the wedding day.

On THE Day

The Bridegroom and Best Man must be at the church 30 minutes *before* the wedding begins. It is the responsibility of the Best Man to bring the *Marriage Schedule* and the rings with him.

The Bride should *arrive on time*, or as near as possible!

WHAT DO I DO NOW? The church doesn’t have a permanent minister right now. Please contact Margaret Steven on 01383 515468