

Church Requirements at ResLife

1. It is expected that the couple will have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.
2. Completion of the pre-marriage classes before the wedding date is required. If you have not taken these classes you may register at the top of the wedding page on the ResLife website.
3. Wedding/Vow renewal application & wedding questionnaires must be submitted at least 3 months prior to your requested date.
4. We require a RLC Pastor to officiate your wedding ceremony when held in our church.
5. **Friday evening weddings must begin no later than 7pm and conclude by 11pm.
Saturday weddings must begin no later than 4pm and all guests need to be out of the building by 8pm. Due to Sunday services, we cannot accommodate Sunday weddings.**
6. A wedding coordinator will be assigned to each in-house wedding/vow renewal & reception; no exceptions. (This does exclude the welcome center location option)
7. Absolutely no smoking or alcoholic beverages are allowed in the building or on church grounds.
8. No dancing is allowed in the church.
9. No bubbles are allowed inside the building. It is your responsibility to explain this to your wedding party.
10. No rice, birdseed, marshmallows or of the like are to be thrown.
11. Payment for all costs, excluding Food Service when applicable, will be due no later than 30 days before the wedding/vow renewal date. If it is not paid by the due date, the wedding/vow renewal will be canceled and the room(s) will be made available for other events. If the Pastor fee is not paid for an offsite wedding/vow renewal by the due date, the Pastor may refuse to do the wedding/vow renewal.
12. Our food service team is not able to prepare menu options for rehearsal or reception dinners. Food would have to come from a licensed caterer, bakery or kitchen of which you would have to organize, arrange and pay the associated bill on your own.
13. Our food service team is able to help by receiving the food, setting up, providing beverages, linens and other needs that you may have with your dinners. Your coordinator will work with you and our food team to discuss and plan those needs. We will then provide you with an estimate of those costs based on that discussion.

14. Payment for any food service costs will be due no later than 30 days after the final bill has been sent out. The final food service bill will be sent out no later than 14 days after the wedding/vow renewal takes place.
15. The marriage license is due to either the Pastor, the pastor's assistant or the wedding coordinator no later than rehearsal day. Be sure to have the correct spelling of both witnesses who are 18 or older. Weddings without a marriage license will not be performed.
16. Payments for services of any soloists or other musicians are not included in the church fee and are your responsibility.
17. After your room(s) and dates are approved, your ResLife Wedding Coordinator will reach out to initially introduce themselves. 3 months out from the Wedding/Vow renewal, the Coordinator will reach out to set up a consultation appointment to start finalizing all the details. This only applies to in-house weddings/vow renewals.
18. Candles are allowed on the stage only and are not permitted at the end of aisles.

For further questions, please contact ResLife at (616) 534-4923 and ask for the Wedding Office.