

About First Church

First Congregational Church of Detroit was established on December 25, 1844. The first two church buildings were near the Detroit River. The church came to its present site in 1891.

The Sanctuary of this historic and spiritually significant church combines the power of the Romanesque and the warmth and rich color of the Byzantine style of the Victorian era, it is patterned after the churches found in Venice and Ravenna, Italy. Its carved woodwork, ceiling portraits, rose windows and sumptuous colors rival anything found in Europe.

Resident inside the red sandstone historic church building, at the corner of East Forest and Woodward Avenues is an inclusive multi-cultural congregation which believes the Christian life is one of discovery, a dynamic process of growth in faith.

We offer innovative worship service each Sunday at 11:00 am and we invite you to come and join us.

Whether you join us in worship or not, we want you to know that this church belongs to you, and we propose to demonstrate the love of God to you and all that have an opportunity to come into our church building.



Rev. Dr. Cindy A. Rice,
Pastor, Chairman & CEO

"You may not belong to this church, but this church belongs to you."

Where First Church is Located

We are conveniently located at the corner of East Forest and Woodward Avenues in the University Cultural Center. We are just three short blocks south of the Detroit Institute of the Arts and Detroit's Main Library. Wayne State University's campus is a mere 3 blocks to the north and 1 block to the west of us.

Directions to First Church

Several freeway exits give easy access to our church. From south or north bound John Lodge (US 10), take the Forest Avenue exit and drive 3 blocks east. Take the Warren Avenue exit from the Chrysler (I-75), west to Woodward Avenue, then south to Forest. From Fisher, (I-94), exit to the Lodge then take the Forest exit.

Parking

There is parking in the rear of the building and just north in the Hannan House parking lot. Additional parking is available in nearby lots by special arrangement.



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The Reception

The Dining Room \$1,200 & Up

Our lovely Victorian Dining room with hardwood flooring and walnut paneling, is used for receptions as well as for meetings, luncheons, parties and dinners. There are 21 round tables that seat up to 6 people, and 6 banquet tables that may be arranged for use as a head table, buffet table and/or a gift table. The piano, podium and sound system are included at no additional charge. The capacity of the Dining Room is 180-200 depending on the selected table arrangements.

Catering \$25 & Up—Per Plate

Elegant, delicious meals are available upon request. All catered meals include white linen table cloths, white napkins and standard floral designs at no additional cost. Color linens are available for an additional cost.

Note: Prices are subject to change



For Reservations: Call 313-831-4080

A deposit equal to 1/3 of the total fee and a \$300 refundable security deposit are required to reserve space for your wedding and assure your desired date.

We accept Checks, Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover Card.

The fee for the dining room is waived if we cater your event.

A Beautiful Wedding

In A Lovely

Victorian Setting



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The Wedding Ceremony

Christian Marriage is a solemn and public covenant in the presence of God. Thus, at First Congregational Church of Detroit, the ceremony is always conducted in an appropriately devotional and celebrative manner.

You may use the minister of your choice. However, the minister must be ordained as we do not permit civil ceremonies. If you desire the services of one of our ministers, you may schedule a meeting with the minister to make those arrangements.

Join us for a
Bridal SHOWER

Bridal Showers May Be Added To Any of Our Wedding Packages For An Additional Fee Of:

- \$500 For Packages 1 - 4
- \$300 For Packages 5 & 6

Choose one of the following packages for a wedding experience that's just right for you:

Package 1 — “Enchanted Memories” - \$2,400

This package is for the most enchanted wedding of all time. All floral designs are custom-designed and this package includes:

- Sanctuary
- 10 Pew Torches with silk floral design
- 2 Candelabras with silk floral design
- Aisle Runner
- Sound System
- 3-pc Unity Candle w/stand
- 2 Changing Rooms
- 1-1/2 hour Wedding & Wedding Rehearsal
- Wedding Liaison
- Parking Lot Attendant

Package 2 — “Wedding Bliss” - \$2,200

Includes:

- Sanctuary
- 10 Pew Torches
- 2 Candelabras
- Aisle Runner
- Sound System
- 3-pc Unity Candle w/stand
- 2 Changing Rooms
- 1-1/2 hour Wedding & Wedding Rehearsal
- Wedding Liaison
- Parking Lot Attendant



Package 3 — “Dreams Do Come True” - \$2,100

Includes:

- Sanctuary
- 10 Pew Torches
- 2 Candelabras
- Aisle Runner
- Sound System
- 2 Changing Rooms
- 1-1/2 hour Wedding & Wedding Rehearsal
- Wedding Liaison
- Parking Lot Attendant



Package 4 — “Forever Yours” - \$2,000

Includes:

- Sanctuary
- 10 Pew Torches
- Sound System
- 2 Changing Rooms
- 1-1/2 hour Wedding & Wedding Rehearsal
- Wedding Liaison
- Parking Lot Attendant

Package 5 — “Victorian Dream” - \$1,200

Includes:

- Victorian Lounge with Fireplace & Piano
- White Chair Covering w/Sashes
- 2 Changing Rooms
- 1 Hour Wedding Rehearsal
- 1-1/2 hour Wedding Ceremony
- Wedding Liaison
- Parking Lot Attendant
- You may have up to 6 in the Bridal Party with 50 guests



Package 6 — “Chapel Wedding” - \$1,300

Includes:

- Chapel
- 2 Changing Rooms
- 1 Hour Wedding Rehearsal
- 1-1/2 Hour Wedding Ceremony
- Wedding Liaison
- Parking Lot Attendant
- You may have up to 6 in the Bridal party with 80 guests

Sanctuary	\$1,700
Chapel	\$900
10 Pew Torches w/ Floral Silk Design	\$300
10 Pew Torches	\$250
Candelabras w/Floral Silk Design	\$100 ea.
Candelabras	\$80 ea.
Aisle Runner	\$65
3-pc Unity Candle w/stand	\$75
Changing Room	\$100 ea.
Add'l Rehearsal Time	\$300/hr
Unity Candle Stand	\$25
Use of Piano for Wedding	\$150
Use of Organ (By Church Organist)	\$200

The Sanctuary

Comfortably seats 700 on the cushioned, carved pews. The center aisle is approximately 85' in length, with ample space in front of the chancel for large wedding parties.

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