

Have your Wedding with Open Door MCC!

Metropolitan Community Churches have been marrying LGBTQ couples for more than 40 years. Now, thankfully, our weddings have the blessing of the State of Maryland!

Open Door MCC has on-staff clergy, a fully-equipped sanctuary that comfortably seats up to 128 of your guests, and reception venues in the narthex and on nine acres of beautiful land. The church building is fully wheelchair-accessible.

Open Door MCC requests that all couples who plan to get married at ODMCC have two appointments with the pastor at least one, but not more than six months prior to their wedding. During these appointments, the Pastor and the couple will get acquainted, will set a date for the wedding based on the couple's wishes, the Pastor's availability and, if necessary, the sanctuary availability, and will tailor the ceremony to each couple's wishes for their special day.

In the event of extenuating circumstances, such as a life-threatening illness, the Pastor may choose to forego the two appointments before performing a wedding.

There are certain days, based on our liturgical and church calendars, that are not available for weddings. Homecoming Sunday, the Sunday of the annual Congregational Meeting, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Thanksgiving Day, Thanksgiving Weekend, Holy Week, Easter Sunday, and Pride Sunday are not available for weddings.

Open Door MCC requests a minimum donation of \$500.00 for weddings. We ask for 50% of the donation at the time of the second pastoral meeting and for the balance of the donation the week prior to the wedding. Donations for use of the kitchenette or the grounds, or for other services, such as musicians and caterers, are separate and can be discussed with the Pastor.

Open Door MCC accepts all major credit cards, cash or checks.

Weddings performed by Open Door MCC clergy are legally recognized by the State of Maryland. You can begin the application process for a Marriage License online but you must appear in person at the Office of the City Clerk to complete the process. Information on the process, requirements, and fees is available at: [Montgomery County, MD. Marriage License Department](#)

You will need to bring your Marriage License to your wedding. Once your ceremony is complete and the application is signed by you and the Pastor, the Pastor will submit the license to the Office of the City Clerk who will send you your legal Certificate of Marriage. Everyone signing the document must present identification.

If you would like to Get Married at Open Door MCC, please email us at rev-3-8@opendoormcc.com. Please include your first three options for dates and how many attendants and guests are included. If you would like information on our reception venue or other services, please include that request in your query. Someone will reply within 48 hours.

Thank you for choosing ODMCC as your partner for this joyous occasion. May God continue to bless you.