



Anchorage Presbyterian Church Wedding Policy on Egalitarian Theology

Purpose:

Anchorage Presbyterian Church affirms a theology of mutual love, respect, and partnership in marriage, rooted in the biblical understanding that all people are created equally in the image of God (Genesis 1:27) and called to relationships marked by mutual submission and shared leadership (Ephesians 5:21). As a congregation in the Presbyterian Church (USA), we uphold an egalitarian understanding of marriage in which both partners contribute equally to decision-making, leadership, and spiritual growth.

Policy:

To maintain the integrity of our theological commitments, Anchorage Presbyterian Church does not host weddings in which the officiant preaches or promotes a theology that requires women to submit to the unilateral authority or leadership of men within marriage. Weddings held in our sanctuary and officiated by our pastor or guest clergy must reflect the values of mutual love, respect, and partnership, in alignment with our Presbyterian tradition.

Right of Refusal – The church retains the right to decline requests for weddings that do not align with this policy or with our theology.

This policy ensures that all weddings at Anchorage Presbyterian Church reflect our values of equality, love, and shared leadership in Christian marriage.