

**Because we are committed to leading couples to a God-honoring marriage,** we want to share the following guidelines. Our purpose is not to condemn or reject anyone, but to comply with God's principles for marriage.

- Couples being married at Savannah Christian or by one of our pastors must have surrendered their life to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and must be committed to establishing a Christian home.
- Couples must remain celibate and not live together prior to the wedding ceremony. The pastor will not perform the ceremony if the couple is living at the same address. I Corinthians 6:18-20, Ephesians 5:3-7
- Divorced persons may be considered for marriage at SCC if they meet one of these Biblical criteria:
  - Former spouse is deceased (Romans 7:2, I Corinthians 7:39)
  - Divorce occurred prior to conversion (II Corinthians 5:17)
  - Divorce occurred because of sexual unfaithfulness by spouse (Matthew 19:3-9)
  - Desertion by an unbelieving spouse (I Corinthians 7:15)
- No remarriage after divorce or death of a spouse will be performed until at least one year has passed from the time the divorce is finalized or the death of the spouse.
- No pastor on the SCC staff will marry a couple if another pastor of the church has refused to perform the ceremony due to Biblical reasons.
- We do not marry couples if either person is under the influence of alcohol or drugs (other than those prescribed by a doctor) before or during a rehearsal and or wedding.
- If a pastor other than one on the church staff is used, it must be approved by the Senior or Executive Pastor. Contact the Marriage Ministry Assistant at 629-4776.



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*Wedding Guide*

**It is the goal of Savannah Christian Church to lead couples to a God-honoring marriage.** It is our desire that your marriage be the happiest relationship possible and that it be all God intended it to be. We provide a full pre-marital program and would love to help you at this special time in your life.

## Pre-Marital PREPARATION

1. Contact Marriage Ministry at 629-4776 or email nmccray@savannahchristian.com to request application.
2. Fill out Pre-Marital Application\* and mail back to Marriage Ministry assistant along with your \$36 fee. We must receive this application four months in advance of your wedding. When received, the application process will begin.
3. The Marriage Ministry assistant will notify you of pastor's availability.
4. Set up your initial consultation with pastor as soon as possible.
5. The pastor's assistant will provide an SCC Wedding Handbook at your initial consultation.
6. Take PREPARE Inventory.\*\*
7. Pair up with Mentor couple.\*\*\*

(Use the handbook for a complete list of SCC polices and guidelines.)

**\* Pre-Marital Application:** This application supplies your potential pastor with crucial information.

**\*\*PREPARE Inventory:** This on-line inventory will distinguish your strengths and growth areas as a couple.

**\*\*\*Mentor couple:** For 3 months, meet with an experienced Christian couple. Based on your PREPARE Inventory, strengthen your communication skills and ways to handle the inevitable challenges married people face.

## Wedding PASTOR LIST

**Jim Bolen**  
Community Care & Seniors Pastor

**Steve Angel**  
Associate Pastor for Community Care

**Steve Archer**  
Future Generations Pastor

**Dave Stewart**  
Global Outreach Pastor

**Kenneth Philbeck**  
East Campus Pastor

**Doug Hartley**  
Sr. High Pastor

**Randall Tonini**  
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**Dave Allgire**  
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**Bill McGee**  
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**Lyle Wood**  
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**Mike Frazier**  
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**Phil Fincher**  
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Associate Worship Pastor

**Jeff Sanders**  
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## Marriage MINISTRY