



WELCOME

“For this reason a man will leave his father and his mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.” Genesis 2:24

Greetings!

I am so delighted that you have chosen to share your love for each other by seeking to share your lives with each other in holy matrimony. I am most humbled and honored that you have requested my participation in presiding over your entry into this holiest of unions. Marriage is sacred and should be approached with earnest prayer and spiritual preparation. It is to this end I aim to serve you.

I consider it my responsibility to help you explore and understand the Divine guidelines and expectations for marriage prior to finalizing your commitment to each other. In the process, you will come to realize the commitment you are making to God first, as well as to each other.

In addition to basic Biblical information and instruction, my time with you be spent in conversation concerning the practical elements of your relationship. It will include a sharing of experiences and advice from a broad range of secondary sources such as myself, authors as well as other experiences. I will not speak to you as an expert, but as a student-practitioner who has made enough mistakes and endured enough challenges in my own marriage to help you be better positioned for yours!

I look forward to helping you get a head start on a journey of a lifetime toward a harmonious, healthy, holy and happy marriage.

In His Service,
Renard D. Allen Jr.
Pastor



The Wedding

Greetings! We are so happy you are seeking to get married and have requested the special services of Pastor Allen. Pastor Allen is increasing demand to perform weddings because of his willingness to invest time with you which allows him to use his unique abilities to personalize the experience and make it most meaningful and memorable for you.

A few things to consider as you plan for your special day:

Pastor Allen requires six (6) in-depth counseling sessions prior to marrying any couple. You will receive a summary of your sessions to serve as a reference sheet. To schedule your counseling sessions, please contact Rena Newsome at 937 279 9322 or via email provided below. If you have completed marital counseling already, we request a proof of completion certificate from a Christian based counseling group.

You will receive additional information if you choose to have your ceremony or reception at St. Luke. Additional fees may be applicable dependent on your individual needs. Please contact our Wedding Coordinator with additional question via email at weddings.stlukembc@gmail.com. See fees below:

Counseling Fees:

Active Members	Complementary
Non-Member	\$150.00
Out-of-town	\$200.00

Ceremony Fees:

Active Members	Love Offering
Non-Members	\$150.00
Out-of-town	\$400.00

