

Mail this form to Evergreen Community Church along with a non-refundable check of \$70 (made out to "Evergreen"): Attn: Pastor Jeff Groen, 2300 E. 88th Street, Bloomington, MN 55425

NAMES:

him _____
her _____

ADDRESSES:

him _____

her _____

PHONE NUMBERS:

him _____
her _____

EMAIL ADDRESSES:

him _____
her _____

EVERGREEN LOCATION ATTENDING:

DATING or ENGAGED
wedding date? _____

ARE YOU A CHRISTIAN?

him YES NO
her YES NO

WANT AN EVERGREEN PASTOR TO MARRY YOU? YES NO

PREVIOUSLY MARRIED?

him YES NO
her YES NO

CHILDREN? IF YES, HOW MANY?

him YES _____ NO
her YES _____ NO

WE WANT TO ATTEND THE SEMINAR IN:

FALL SPRING YEAR: _____

topics
include



spiritual oneness
communication,
love languages & romance
expectations & baggage
conflict resolution
money
sex & parenting
setting boundaries
with in-laws
gender roles
panel discussion with
successful couples
Optional: blended families

Each of the 10 classes runs for 1.5 hours, and expect an additional 1.5 hours of weekly homework. You will also receive a helpful book, a notebook with class notes and materials, and a brief but thorough "Wedding Manual" designed to be a helpful resource as you plan your wedding ceremony.



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*are you
fit to be
tied?*



fit to be tied
pre-marriage seminar

mission statement

Fit-to-be-Tied is the pre-marriage ministry of Evergreen Community Church. Our mission is to equip seriously-dating and engaged couples with a Biblical foundation for a lifetime of marital happiness and holiness.

Fit-to-be-Tied is also open to a limited number of newlywed

couples (five years or less) who feel they would like a "refresher" course in the principles of a successful marriage (Don't we all?) Please contact a pastor to be referred to this 10-week seminar.

Fit-to-be-Tied is offered two times per year (fall and spring) and is required if you want to be married by an Evergreen pastor. The cost for FTBT is \$70 and is non-refundable. Note: Minnesota reduces its

marriage license fee from \$110 to \$40 (a savings of \$70) for couples that complete seminars like Fit-to-be-Tied (MN Statute 517.08).

If you have questions, please email ftbt@evergreenc.com or contact the Fit-to-be-Tied coordinators, Nathan & Tara Odegard, at 952-240-1878, or the overseeing pastor, Jeff Groen, at 952-564-3780.

frequently asked questions

Do we have to take FTBT in order for an Evergreen pastor to perform our wedding ceremony?

Yes. Successful and God-honoring marriages do not happen by accident. We believe that great marriages have great beginnings, and we require that every couple complete FTBT before an Evergreen pastor will perform the wedding.

What is the purpose of a mentor couple?

You will meet with a mentor couple one or more times prior to getting married. The purpose is to ensure you have all your questions answered and to ensure you have the best opportunity for a successful marriage. Mentor couples don't have perfect marriages but they do have marriages built on godly principles.

Will an Evergreen pastor marry us if I've been married before or we're sexually active?

Both of these circumstances express some degree of brokenness, because divorce and sexual immorality are contrary to God's Word and his plan for wonderful and lifelong unions. In some cases, an Evergreen pastor cannot both honor God and officiate your marriage. But Jesus Christ came to bring grace and healing into our brokenness. There are also cases where an Evergreen pastor will still perform your ceremony. Please approach your location pastor (or contact Pastor Jeff Groen) with the specifics of your situation.

I want to make sure the pastor of my choice will marry us. Can I approach him right away to get on his calendar?

No. The pastors would ask that you complete the class before approaching them about performing your ceremony.

