

## PRIVATE BAPTISMS

You are responsible for arranging for a minister for your ceremony. Baptisms are encouraged to be part of our regular Sunday services, but you must clear this with Dorothy or Marjorie and the scheduled minister. If you wish, the ceremony can be arranged for any other mutually convenient time.



Please remember to bring your own water.

We have a small silver Revere bowl to be used for the ceremony. If you wish another bowl, you will need to provide it.

You are responsible for providing candles and wax guards if you want them for ceremonies outside of our regular services.

If your ceremony is not part of the regular Sunday service and you wish to have music, you must make your own arrangements.

## PRIVATE MEMORIAL SERVICES

The above general rules apply. Please coordinate your plans with Dorothy or Marjorie.

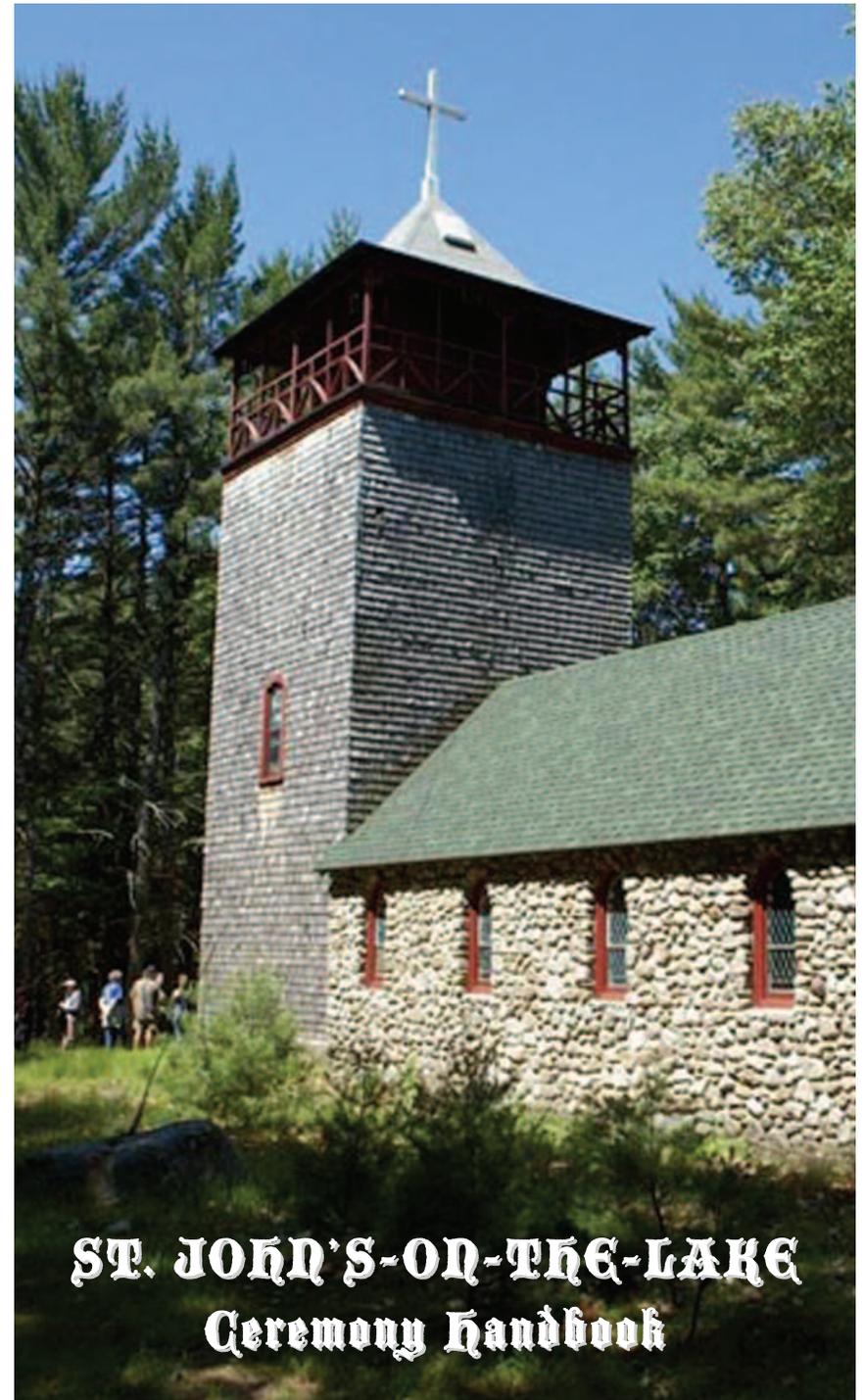
A donation of \$150 to St. John's-on-the-Lake Chapel is requested for marriages, baptisms and memorial services. Your check will reserve the date you have chosen. This is separate from any honoraria to the minister and organist, who are also your responsibility.

The chapel is located on the highest elevation of Bear Island. Trails are marked from Church Dock Landing in Deep Cove on West Bear Island.



HAVE A WONDERFUL AND SAFE TIME!

June 2012



**ST. JOHN'S-ON-THE-LAKE**  
**Ceremony Handbook**

Welcome to St. John's-on-the-Lake.

The following reminders are provided to make your event a pleasant experience.

Please schedule and coordinate all details or questions with

Dorothy Falk

Home: (978) 887-8495

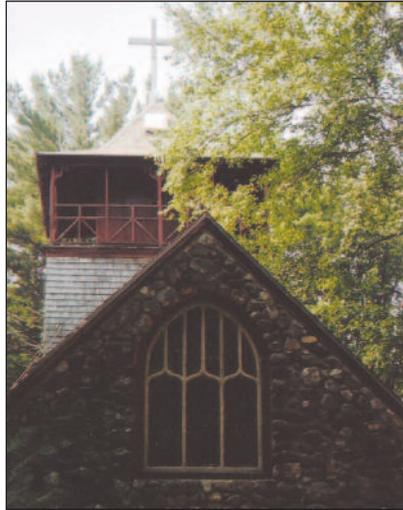
Lake: (603) 279-6313

or

Marjorie Burdette

Home: (603) 880-8125

Lake: (603) 279-5007



Please remember the chapel does not have its own resident minister. You are ultimately responsible for obtaining one for your ceremony.

Please send a copy of your marriage or baptism certificate to the church for our records.

Our address is: 278 Bear Island, Meredith, NH 03253.

## GENERAL

Please remember in planning your ceremony that our chapel does not have water, vases, electricity or toilet facilities.

We do have a foot pumped reed organ.

You are responsible for providing 24-28 candles and wax guards for the wall and altar sconces.

A light source for the minister and musicians would be beneficial.

We have three church owned docks in Deep Cove (Church Cove) on south Bear Island which can accommodate six small boats, 20 feet in length, maximum. Any larger boats should make arrangements to dock elsewhere.

The tower is closed to guests due to safety concerns. There is no longer a view from the tower due to the growth of the surrounding forest.

Remind guests to wear appropriate footwear for the walk to the chapel.

When you schedule your event, you may wish to consider alternate rain dates or locations.

Please assign someone to make sure the Chapel, trails and dock area are restored to their natural condition, and to replace anything you may have moved.

## WEDDINGS

An application to use the chapel for a wedding is enclosed. You are responsible for obtaining your own minister for the ceremony. Dorothy or Marjorie can help with suggestions.

You must obtain your own marriage license locally prior to the wedding, and you will need to provide a copy to your minister. Please note that if your minister of choice has no pastoral charge in New Hampshire, he or she will need a special license which takes up to two weeks to obtain from the state. The law imposes a penalty on unauthorized persons performing marriages.



An application to perform a marriage ceremony in New Hampshire is also enclosed. The State of New Hampshire charges \$25 for the application. The special license must be obtained from the New Hampshire Office of the Secretary of State. Information and a copy of the application can be found at [www.sos.nh.gov/marriage.htm](http://www.sos.nh.gov/marriage.htm).

In keeping with the natural surroundings, we suggest you use bird seed or flower petals for tossing after the ceremony. Please do not use rice or confetti or any other non-degradable or inappropriate substance.

In addition, do not use nails or other fasteners in the chapel. **NO FIRES, FIREWORKS OR SPARKLERS, inside the church or out, PLEASE!!**

If the bride is going to dress at the chapel, we suggest she use the landing above the entryway to change. She will need a mirror and a sheet for the floor of the landing to protect her dress.

You are responsible for arranging for your music and/or musicians.



# ST. JOHN'S-ON-THE-LAKE

Lake Winnepesaukee, New Hampshire

## MARRIAGE APPLICATION

*"Set me as a seal on thy heart."  
Song of Solomon*

Bride: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Groom: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate number of guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone no.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Minister name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedomination: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone no.: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and agree to abide by the conditions set forth  
in the Ceremony Handbook.

SIGNATURES: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose your deposit check and mail to:  
St. John's-on-the-Lake, 278 Bear Island, Meredith, NH 03253.

Applicant, as a condition of use of the St. John's-on-the-Lake Chapel ("St. John's") and outside area (the "Facilities") agrees to indemnify and hold harmless St. John's, its officers, directors or employees from any claim or liability whatsoever associated with the Applicant's use, and his or her invitees and guests' use of said facilities. In addition, Applicant shall be responsible for any damage, loss or theft of property of St. John's as a result of the actions of the Applicant, or his or her invitees or guests while using such facilities.



# ST. JOHN'S-ON-THE-LAKE

Lake Winnepesaukee, New Hampshire

## PRIVATE BAPTISM/ MEMORIAL SERVICE APPLICATION

Baptism

Memorial

Name of child/honoree \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone no.: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and time of service: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate number of guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Minister name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedomination: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone no.: \_\_\_\_\_

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