## **Kingsview United Church Equal Marriage Policy**

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At Kingsview United Church, we see people as unique, loved creations of God. As God desires a relationship with us, we desire a relationship with God and others. We acknowledge that developing and maintaining relationships is challenging. We also see relationships as living commitments that require time and nurturing.

We affirm that marriage is a gift of God through which Christians make a covenant with another person and with God. This creation of God is greater than the two individuals. Kingsview United Church's marriage policy is inclusive of couples of all gender combinations and identities, divorced people, and couples of different faith perspectives. We believe God intends loving relationships to be faithful, responsible, just, healing, and sustaining of the couple and those around them.

Your marriage is an act of worship within a supportive Faith Community. We celebrate marriage as a covenant in which two individuals can live their love and their life-long commitment to each other.

You do not have to be a member of Kingsview United Church to be married here. We do ask, however, that you approach the ceremony with reverence. We offer the support of our Faith Community before, during and after your wedding day. We invite you to attend our worship services which are held on Sunday mornings. This will give you the opportunity to experience the worship life of our congregation, and to better understand your marriage as an act of Christian worship while belonging to a Faith Community. We welcome the opportunity to celebrate your covenant of marriage.