

WELCOME REMARKS

Who gives this bride to be wed?

We are gathered here in the sight of God and these witnesses to unite _____ and _____ in the covenant of holy matrimony.

_____ and _____, give careful thought to the vows you are about to make. They are an exclusive life-long commitment to one another. Your love for each other should never be diminished by difficult circumstances, and it is to endure until death parts you.

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Upon the confession in front of these witnesses, I declare today that this is a Christian wedding. In the book of Genesis it says, "It is not good for man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him." Today the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit bear witness as the two of you become one.

As followers of Jesus Christ, you believe that God created marriage. Your marriage will be strengthened by your obedience to your Heavenly Father and his Word. As you allow God to be a part of your marriage, he will cause your home to be a place of joy, and a testimony to the world.

Father God, for the joy of this occasion we thank you. For the significance of this wedding day we thank you. For this important moment in an ever-growing relationship we thank you. For your presence here and now and for your presence at all times, we thank you; in Christ's Holy name, Amen.

Let me charge you both to remember, that your future happiness is to be found in mutual consideration, patience, kindness, confidence, and affection.

(To the groom) It is your duty to love _____ as yourself, and to provide tender leadership and protection.

(To the bride) It is your duty to treat _____ with honor and respect, and to be his helpmate.

Together it is your duty to find your greatest joy in the company of one another; to respect your individual interests, to walk in truth, and to remain undivided.

REPEAT THESE VOWS

I take you _____ / _____ to be my (husband/wife), I will love you now and into the future, as you become all that God intends you to be. I will love you when we are together and when we are apart; when our lives are at peace, and when they are in turmoil; when I am proud of you, and when I am disappointed in you; in times of rest, and times of labor. I will honor your goals and dreams and help you to fulfill them. From the depth of my being, I will seek to be open and honest with you. I speak these words believing that God himself is in the midst of them.

EXCHANGING OF RINGS

(Ask) Who has the rings?
Please look at one another.

(To the groom) Place the ring on her finger and repeat these words, "I give you this ring as a sign of my love, with all that I am, and all that I have; I honor you in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

(To the bride) Place the ring on her finger and repeat these words, "I give you this ring as a sign of my love, with all that I am, and all that I have; I honor you in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

UNITY CANDLE (OPTIONAL)

(A unity candle is traditionally used to symbolize the **merging of two families or personalities into a new one formed in matrimony**. Includes: 1 large, and 4 thin pillar candles

Parents of the bride and groom are invited to participate. Each couple takes a candle and use it to light a candle for the bride and groom. The parents blow out their candles. The bride and groom each pick up their candles and use them to light the large unity candle together.)

PRONOUNCEMENT OF HUSBAND AND WIFE

Wedding Date:

Officiated by:

CCF Church:

CCF MINISTRIES
105 Princeton Boulevard, Lowell, MA 01851

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WEDDING VOW READER

Bride Name

Groom Name