

*Becoming One*

DATE

NAME

&

NAME

**Prior to Service:**

**Seating of family ?**

**Bridal Party Entry?**

**Any Music being played?**

**Please be seated...**

**Call to Worship**

God is love, and those who abide in love,  
abide in God, and God abides in them.

**Statement on the Gift of Marriage**

We are gathered in the presence of God  
to give thanks for the gift of marriage,  
to witness the joining together of **NAME** and **NAME**,  
to surround them with our prayers,  
and to ask God's blessing upon them,  
so that they may be strengthened for their life together  
and nurtured in their love for God.

God created us in his image  
and gave us marriage  
so two people may help and comfort each other,  
living faithfully together in plenty and in want,  
in joy and in sorrow,  
in sickness and in health,  
throughout all their days.

God gave us marriage  
for the well-being of human society,  
for the ordering of family life,  
for the birth and nurture of children.

We rejoice that marriage is given by God,  
blessed by our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and sustained by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore, let marriage be held in honor by all of us.

## Please join me in Prayer

### Declarations of Intent

**NAME**, understanding that God has created, ordered, and blessed the covenant of marriage,

Do you affirm your desire and intention to enter this covenant?

Do you?

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### Giving away of the Bride

Who gives this woman to be married to this man? (we do)

### Affirmation of the Congregation

Will you, the family and friends here today,  
in witnessing these vows promise to support, encourage and pray for  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in their marriage?

If so, please say "We will"

**Scripture**

**Meditation**



## Vows

**NAME** and **NAME** since it is your intention to marry bind yourselves to each other as husband and wife with these promises:

(**NAME**, give bouquet to \_\_\_\_\_ )

## Exchange of Rings

**NAME** and **NAME** bring rings as signs of their promise.

*Who has the rings?*

**The ring is a sign of the unending love that God has for both **NAME** and **NAME** and the unending love they have for each other. The ring is also made of precious metal which represents the precious gift God gives to us in the covenant of marriage.**

Please join me in prayer Let us pray:

By your blessing, O God, may these rings be to **NAME** and **NAME** symbols of unending love and faithfulness, reminding them of the covenant they have made this day, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Ceremony/Special music?**

## **PRAYER- Lord's Prayer?**

### **Let us Pray**

Eternal God,

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

### **Announcement of Marriage**

By the authority committed unto me as a minister of the Church, I declare that **NAME** and **NAME** are now husband and wife, according to the ordinance of God, and the law of this state, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Those whom God has joined together  
Let no one separate.



## **Blessing**

As God's own,  
Clothe yourselves with compassion,  
Kindness, and patience,  
Forgiving each other  
As the Lord has forgiven you,  
And crown all these things with love,  
Which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

And now may the Holy Spirit sustain us in our faith  
through our redeemer Jesus Christ who gives us hope  
And until we meet again may the Love of God our Creator  
abide with us all. Amen.

**NAME, You may kiss your bride**

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**It gives me great joy to present to you**

**NAMES TO PRESENT**

*Clap.... Walk when music begins to play.*

**Music to walk out to: \_\_\_\_\_**