

Sweet & Simple

This ceremony can be used as is or

Modified with a variety of ritual that you wish to include

Good evening, and welcome to the ceremony that will unite (Groom) and (Bride) in marriage.

We gather here today to celebrate their union, and to honor their commitment to not just gazing at one another, but to looking

outward together in the same direction.

Today (Groom) and (Bride) proclaim their love to the world, and we rejoice with and for them.

In marriage, we give ourselves freely and generously into the hands of the one we love, and in doing so, each of us receives the

love and trust of the other as our most precious gift. But even as that gift is shared by two people who are in love, it also

touches the friends and family members who in various ways support and contribute to the relationship.

All of you are (Groom's) and (Bride's) community, and each of you has played some part in bringing them to this moment. This is

why gathering as a community is such an important part of a wedding ceremony. Because John and Susan are now taking a new

form as a married couple, and in this form, they become part of their community in a new way.

(Groom) and (Bride), we are here to remember and rejoice with you and to recount with one another that it is love that guides us

on our path, and to celebrate as you begin this journey together. It is in this spirit that you have come here to today to exchange

these vows.

VOWS

Groom, repeat after me:

I, (Groom) take you (Bride) to be my wife

*I promise above all else to live in truth with you
and to communicate fully and fearlessly
I give you my hand and my heart
as a sanctuary of warmth and peace
and pledge my love, devotion, faith and honor
as I join my life to yours.*

Bride, repeat after me:

*I, (Bride) take you (Groom) to be my husband
I promise above all else to live in truth with you
and to communicate fully and fearlessly
I give you my hand and my heart
as a sanctuary of warmth and peace
and pledge my love, devotion, faith and honor
as I join my life to yours.*

RINGS

For thousands of year's lovers have exchanged rings as a token of their vows.

These simple gold bands are not of great value in themselves, but are made precious by our wearing of them.

Your rings say that even in your uniqueness you have chosen to be bound together.

*Let these rings also be a sign that love has substance as well as soul, a present as well as a past, and that,
despite its occasional*

sorrows, love is a circle of happiness, wonder, and delight.

(Groom), take (Bride's) ring and put it on her finger, and repeat after me:

Just as this circle is without end, my love for you is eternal

Just as it is made of indestructible substance

my commitment to you will never fail

*With this ring I take you to be my trusted confidante
and partner for life.*

(Bride) put the ring on (Groom's) finger and repeat after me:

Just as this circle is without end, my love for you is eternal

Just as it is made of indestructible substance

my commitment to you will never fail

With this ring I take you to be my trusted confidante and partner for life.

PRONOUNCEMENT

Inasmuch as you have consented together in this ceremony to live in wedlock and have sealed your vows in the presence of this

assembly and by the giving of these rings, it gives me great pleasure to pronounce that you are Husband and Wife.