Wedding Ceremony

Walk in with groom and best man.

PROCESSIONAL

Father and bride come in — "[INSERT SONG OR POEM HERE]"

"Who gives this woman to be married to this man?" – "[INSERT RESPONSE HERE]" –

"[INSERT SONG OR POEM HERE]"

Groom goes down and brings bride up.

"We warmly welcome each of you to this beautiful & joyful occasion. The marriage of: "[INSERT NAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE HERE]"

Holy Scripture record the words of God at the time of creation... He said...""It is not good for the man to be alone'. I will make a helper suitable for him...Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib He had taken out of the man, and He brought her to the man. The man said, "This is now bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh"...for this reason will a man leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh." GEN 2:18, 22-24

It is very evident from this reading that it is God who joined in Marriage the first man and woman, and for that reason may we invite His presence here today in prayer.

Heavenly Father... We invite your presence here today. We ask you to share in our joy in the marriage of; "[INSERT NAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE HERE]". We ask your many blessings upon this ceremony, their lives, and upon their marriage. Help us, their family and friends support and strengthen this marriage with our love and support for these two who are about to become one.

""[INSERT GROOM NAME HERE]", before God and these witnesses do you take;
"[INSERT BRIDE NAME HERE]" to be your wedded wife?"

Will you love her, comfort her, honor and keep her in sickness and in health; and forsaking all others keep yourself only unto her, so long as you both shall live?

RESPONSE: I will

"[INSERT BRIDE NAME HERE]", before God and these witnesses do you take; "[INSERT GROOM NAME HERE]" to be your wedded husband?"

Will you love him, comfort him, honor and keep him, in sickness and in health, and forsaking all others keep yourself only unto him, so long as you both hall live?

RESPONSE: I will

Have them turn and face each other holding hands.
"[INSERT GROOM NAME HERE]", if you would repeat after me...

"I <u>"[INSERT GROOM NAME HERE]"</u> take you <u>"[INSERT BRIDE NAME HERE]"</u>, to be my wedded wife, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better or for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness, and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do us part, according to God's Holy Law; and thereto I pledge you my love."

"[INSERT BRIDE NAME HERE]", if you would repeat after me...

"I "[INSERT BRIDE NAME HERE]", take you "[INSERT GROOM NAME HERE]", to be my wedded husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better or for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness, and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do us part, according to God's Holy Law; and thereto I pledge you my love."

"May we now have the rings?"

"These rings have no beginning and no end. They set forth the eternal nature of genuine Love. They will represent the kind of Love and Trust that;

"[INSERT NAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE HERE]", promise to each other today. They will forever be a reminder of the commitment and promise they make to one another today.

"[INSERT GROOM NAME HERE]", will you take the ring and place it upon
"[INSERT BRIDE NAME HERE]" finger and as you do, repeat to her these words:

"I give you this ring, as a token of my love, and commitment, to live with you in marriage, from this day forward.

"[INSERT BRIDE NAME HERE]", will you take the ring and place it upon "[INSERT GROOM NAME HERE]" finger and as you do, repeat to him these words:

"I give you this ring, as a token of my love, and commitment, to live with you in marriage, from this day forward.

Minister steps aside for the lighting of the unity candle –

""[INSERT SONG OR POEM HERE]" "

"In as much as "[INSERT NAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE HERE]" have exchanged vows and rings, before God and these gathered witnesses, by the virtue of the authority invested to me as an ordained minister of God's Church, I now pronounce them husband and wife."

"What God hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

"You may kiss the bride!"

"Ladies and gentlemen, I count it my honor to introduce to you:

Mr. and Mrs. "[GROOM'S FIRST AND LAST NAME HERE]" "