### PROCESSIONAL:

After the guests are seated, the wedding processional begins, for which the guests rise to their feet.

#### PRAYER:

The Pastor welcomes everyone present, says a short prayer, and asks the guests to be seated.

# INITIAL REMARKS:

The pastor makes initial remarks about the couple and the institution of marriage.

# GIVING AWAY OF THE BRIDE:

The pastor asks who gives the bride to be married to the groom, and the person filling this role, responds with the words, "I do".

# SCRIPTURE READING:

A scripture reading is made by the pastor or a designated member of the congregation.

# CONGREGATIONAL HYMN OR SOLO:

A solo or hymn is sung by the choir.

# CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:

A congregational hymn is recited.

# **WEDDING VOWS:**

The couple face each other and recite their wedding vows, after which they exchange their wedding rings.

#### PRONOUNCEMENT:

The pastor pronounced the couple husband and wife and presents the newlyweds to the congregation.

### PRAYER:

The pastor then requests the guests join him in prayer as the couple kneels and he blesses them.

## THE KISS:

The couple kiss to seal the marriage, and the recessional and general merriment follows.