

THE INTRODUCTORY PRAYER:

The officiant faces the couple and the guests and says a prayer over them as well as a few words concerning the couple and the rules of Holy Matrimony.

THE INTERROGATION:

The officiant asks the guests, as well as the bride and groom, if any can show just cause why the couple may not be lawfully wed.

THE OFFICIANT SAYS TO THE BRIDE:

(Bride's name), will you have this man to be your husband; to live together with him in the covenant of marriage? Will you love him, comfort him, honor and keep him, in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all others, be faithful unto him as long as you both shall live?

THE BRIDE ANSWERS:

I will.

THE OFFICIANT SAYS TO THE GROOM:

(Groom's name), will you have this woman to be your wife; to live together with her in the covenant of marriage? Will you love her, comfort her, honor and keep her, in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all others, be faithful unto her as long as you both shall live?

THE GROOM ANSWERS:

I will.

THE OFFICIANT ADDRESSES THE GUESTS, SAYING:

Will all of you witnessing these promises do all in your power to uphold these two persons in their marriage?

THE GUESTS RESPONDS:

We will.

THE PRESENTATION:

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

(A hymn, song, or reading may follow.)

THE VOWS:

The couple exchange their vows and the exchange of rings follow. After this the officiant blesses the rings.

CONCLUDING PRAYERS:

The guests are asked to stand to their feet and the couple kneel as the officiant carries out the concluding prayer. After this, he presents the couple as man and wife to the congregation and they exchange their first kiss as a married couple.

THE RECESSIONAL FOLLOWS.