

Rev. Dr. Katie Phillips, Vine Church

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Choose Your Own Adventure *(Within Reason!)*

GATHERING

Music _____

Cue to Bridal Party? _____

ENTRANCE

Processional Music, Title/Musician

- _____
- _____
- _____

The Wedding Party

Groomsmen List Names:

Bridesmaids? List Names:

Entrance Order: (Please Add Names/Edit Titles)

Pastor/Groom/Best Man/Groomsmen: (Names on Previous Page)

Parents of the Groom: _____

Mother of the Bride: _____

Bridesmaids: (Names on Previous Page)

Maid/Matron of Honor: (Name on Previous Page)

Junior Bridesmaid: (Names on Previous Page)

Bride/Father of the Bride: _____

Bridal "March"/Other Bridal Entrance Song

Title/Musician: _____

GREETING

Response of the Family/Father of the Bride:

To Father of Bride & Parents:

☐ Who gives this woman
to be married to this man?

"Her mother and I do."

☐ Who offers their blessing on this
marriage today?
"Her mother and I do." (Or Insert Names)

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Name, will you have *Name* to be your husband,
to live together in holy marriage?

Will you love him, comfort him, honor and keep him,
in sickness and in health,
and forsaking all others, be faithful to him
as long as you both shall live?

Response of Families/Friends

Prayer

Special Reading/Song: _____

Scripture Reading (See Suggestions Below or Choose Your own):

Who is reading if not pastor: _____

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Homily

Vows

☐ In the name of God,
I, Name, take you,
Name, to be my wife,
to have and to hold
from this day forward,
for better, for worse,
for richer, for poorer,
in sickness and in health,
to love and to cherish,
until we are parted by death.
This is my solemn vow.

☐ I love you, and promise
to always be your truest
and best friend.

I vow to support and
respect you,

to be patient and
gracious toward you,

to work together jointly
with you as we strive to
achieve our shared goals.

I promise to accept you
fully and unconditionally
and to share my life with
you from now until forever

☐ I, _____, take you,
_____, to be my wife,

to join with you and to
share all that is to come,

to give and to receive,

to speak and to listen,

to inspire and to respond,

and in all our life together
to be loyal to you with my
whole being,

as long as we both shall
live.

Blessing & Exchange of Rings

□ I give you this ring

as a sign of my vow,

and with all that I am,

and all that I have,

I honor you.

□ *With this ring,*

I give you my heart...

From this day forward,

You shall not walk alone.

My heart will be your shelter,

And my arms will be your

home

□ With this ring, I marry you

and bind my life to yours.

It is a symbol of my eternal

love,

My everlasting friendship,

And the promise of all my

tomorrows.

Song/Special Reading?

Special Response/Tradition/Practice?

(Communion, Unity Candle, Circling, 7 Blessings, Knot Tying, First Bite, etc?)

Declaration & Blessing of Marriage

How do you want to be introduced at the end of the ceremony? _____

Recessional Music

Title/Musician

Scripture Reading Ideas:

Psalm 33:12, 18, 20-21, 22

The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD. Happy the nation whose God is the LORD, the people chosen as his very own. But the LORD'S eyes are upon the reverent, upon whose hope for his gracious help. The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD. Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and shield. For in God our hearts rejoice, in your holy name we trust. The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD. May your kindness, LORD, be upon us; we have put our hope in you. The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.

Psalm 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

I will bless the LORD at all times. I will bless the LORD at all times; praise shall be always in my mouth. My soul will glory in the LORD that the poor may hear and be glad. I will bless the LORD at all times. Magnify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together. I sought the LORD, who answered me, delivered me from all my fears. I will bless the LORD at all times. Look to God that you may be radiant with joy and your faces may not blush for shame. In my misfortune I called, the LORD heard and saved me from all distress. I will bless the LORD at all times. The angel of the LORD, who encamps with them, delivers all who fear God. Learn to savor how good the LORD is; happy are those who take refuge in him. I will bless the LORD at all times.

Psalm 103: 1-2, 8, 13, 17-18

The LORD is kind and merciful. Bless the LORD, my soul; all my being, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, my soul; do not forget all the gifts of God. The LORD is kind and merciful. Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger, abounding in kindness. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on the faithful. The LORD is kind and merciful. But the LORD'S kindness is forever, toward the faithful from age to age. He favors the children's children of those who keep his covenant, who take care to fulfill its precepts. The LORD is kind and merciful.

Psalm 148: 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12, 12-14

Let all praise the name of the LORD. Praise the LORD from the heavens; give praise in the heights. Praise him, all you angels; give him praise, all you hosts. Let all praise the name of the LORD. Praise him, sun and moon; give praise, all shining stars. Praise him, highest heavens, you waters above the heavens. Let all praise the name of the LORD. You mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; You animals wild and tame, you creatures that crawl and fly. Let all praise the name of the LORD. You kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all who govern on earth; Young men and women too, old and young alike. Let all praise the name of the LORD. Let them all praise the LORD'S name, for his name alone is exalted, majestic above earth and heaven. The LORD has lifted high the horn of his people; to the glory of all the faithful, of Israel, the people near to their God. Let them all praise the name of the LORD.