

Officiants: Let us now invite the Lord and Lady, that they may honor us with their presence, and bless this rite.

(God and Goddess are invoked.)

Officiants: Each relationship comes with its own tests and rewards, may you bring your lives to fruit and flower, but you must be ready and willing to go through the difficult times in your lives as well. The challenge is to love each other through all circumstances and have beauty and grace.

(Officiants then tie a ribbon around the couple's wrists, Officiants then hand couple first a chalice, and then a bottle of wine, with tied hands, the couple pour the wine into the chalice. They then face each direction in turn in salutation, pour some on the ground, and then drink together.)

(Officiants then unties couple)

Officiants: Now let us hear in the presence of the Lord and Lady, _____ (Groom)'s and _____ (Bride's) vows to each other.

Groom: (Gives vows in own words)

Bride: (Gives vows in own words)

Officiants: Do you wish to exchange tokens of these vows?

G & B: We do.

Officiants: Blessed be these rings which are a symbol of the eternal circle of love and trust which binds this couple together.

Groom: As the circle of this ring is eternal so is my love for you.

Bride: As the circle of this ring is eternal so is my love for you.

Officiants: In the name of the Lord and Lady and of the elements air, fire, water, and earth, and the mystery that breathes wonder into all these things, we now pronounce you husband and wife, man and woman, _____ (Groom) and _____ (Bride) you may seal this bond with a kiss.

In olden days a symbol of affirmation and willingness to create a loving and warm life for each other was the practice of those newly wedded to jump over a broom, so now we present this ancient tradition to you, and wish many blessing to this couple as they jump.

(The couple jumps over the broom, hands held.)

(God and Goddess are dismissed, as are the quarters, circle is opened.)

For ideas on various invocations, recommended books are:

"Eight Sabbats For Witches", Janet & Stewart Farrar

"The Spiral Dance", Starhawk

"The Holy Book Of Women's Mysteries", Z. Budapest

"The Tree: Book Of Saxon Witchcraft", Raymond Buckland

"Magical Rites From The Crystal Well", Ed Fitch

"Witchcraft For Tomorrow", Doreen Valiente

BLESSED BE!