



## Anatomy of a Wedding Ceremony

- Opening Music/Song(s)
  - Gathering Words
  - Words about Love and Commitment
  - Who presents.....?
  - Mutual Desire statement
  - If any here present.....or forever hold your peace (rarely used)
  - A Reading or Song by Family or Friends
  - Couple shares special words with each other
  - Marriage Vows (I Do **or** Repeat after me **or** write own)
  - Ring Ceremony (I Say **or** Repeat after me **or** write own)
  - Hand Blessing; Ribbons; Sand; Unity Candle; Salt etc. Ceremony (if applicable)
  - A Reading or Song by Family or Friends
  - Marriage Pronouncement
  - Marriage Kiss
  - A Reading or Song by Family or Friends
  - Hand Blessing; Ribbons; Sand; Unity Candle; Salt etc. Ceremony (if applicable)
  - My Blessing for the union
  - Introduction of new couple
- (Only a guideline)