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Preliminary Music

Suggested Preliminary Songs:

Song Name	Artist
Another day with you	FFH
I will be here	Steven Curtis Chapman
For you	Michael W. Smith
The day before you	Matthew West
You've got me	Steven Curtis Chapman
More than I wanted	Cece Winans
Unfailing love	Jimmy Needham
The Marriage Prayer	John Waller

The following video presentations have been provided for you as part of your preliminary preparation for worship:

1. Video - Golden Quotes
2. Video - Salvation Army Quotes
3. Video - Marriage Definition
4. Video - Marriage

Welcome & Prayer

Call to Worship

The following Video presentation has been provided for you as a Call to Worship. It features selected verses from 1 Corinthians 13.

You may add to this presentation by having someone/ a married couple read along with the presentation as a dramatic reading. (Script attached). Time should be set aside in advance for the selected participants to practice as timing will be an important element of this presentation.

Video - 1 Corinthians 13

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Song

Suggested songs from The Salvation Army Songbook:

Song Name	Song Book Number	Tune Book Number
When His love reached me	342	849
Now I belong to Jesus	349	751
O happy day	365	37
Count your blessings	396	202
Trust and Obey	397	586
Jesus is my light	400	701
This is why	404	404
Love divine, all love excelling	438	438
O God of love	947	477

Announcements

Offering

A suggested song to play as the offertory:

"Love will be our Home" by Sandi Patty
The Ultimate Collection: Vol 1

You may download this song from iTunes for \$0.99. The duration of this song is 4.44 minutes.

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Praise & Worship

Some suggested songs for this time:

Song Name	Artist
Unfailing love	Chris Tomlin
Amazing Grace	Chris Tomlin
Indescribable	Chris Tomlin
I could sing of Your love forever	Delirious?
Lord, You have my heart	Delirious?
The power of Your love	Don Moen
Jesus, lover of my soul	Hillsong
I give You my heart	Darlene Zschech
Love You so much	Darlene Zschech
Be Thou my vision	Unknown
When love is found	Brian Wren & Hal Hopson
How deep the Father's love for us	Stuart Townend
All I once held dear	Graham Kendrick
The heart of worship	Matt Redman
Blessed be Your name	Matt Redman
Never once	Matt Redman

Bible Reading

Select a couple from your congregation to read the following:

Genesis 2:20b-24 & Mark 10:6-9

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Songster/ Band Presentation

Suggested list below:

Name	Context	Artist
What shall I ask for you	Musical: Hosea (Music provided)	Gowans & Larson
Love Cannot Fail	THQ Music Department	Cornet / Vocal Solo

Song

See the suggested song list

Video Presentation

The following presentation has been provided for your use:

Video Presentation: Linked Together

Message

Attached you will find a suggested message outline for your reference.

Special Music

Request someone in your congregation to participate by singing/ dancing to an appropriate song. It is recommended that this participant/s not be married in order to allow this time to be a reflection and recommitment time for those who are married.

Suggested Solo/ Duet:

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Song Name	Artist
I will be here	Steven Curtis Chapman
When love is found	Brian Wren & Hal Hopson
When God made you	Newsong featuring Natalie Grant
I found love	BeBe Winans
God bless the broken road	Selah
You are the love of my life	Darlene Zschech & Ron Kenoly

Suggested for Dance:

Song Name	Artist
Love never fails	Brandon Heath
Lead me	Sanctus Real
Love you forever	Ryan Huston
Once in a lifetime	Smokie Norfolk
Love is not a fight	Warren Barfield
I promise	Jaci Velasquez
When I fall in love	Nat King Cole
Because you loved me	Celine Dion
Vestida de Blanco Por	Luis Santiago
Delante Del Altar Por	Joseph Cruz

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Signing of the Marriage Renewal Certificate

The Marriage Renewal Certificate is attached for your reference. This should be printed in color on 8.5x11 card stock. This renewal certificate along with pens should be provided at the mercy seat so that couples may gather there to read, pray over and sign the card.

The certificate fits in a standard 11x14 frame with a 8x10 matt. If possible a frame should be provided to couples following the covenant time. This will encourage them to place this signed covenant in a prominent place in their homes.

Prayer for Married Couples

Below is a suggested prayer to be used for this time. You might encourage the couples to gather at the front for prayer or invite them to stand as the congregation prays for them.

Dear Lord Jesus,

Thank you for this beautiful day on which these couples have renewed their marriage covenant to you and to each other.

We pray that your blessing will always rest upon their home; that joy, peace and contentment would dwell within them as they live together in unity, and that all who enter their home may experience the strength of your love.

Father, help them to follow and serve you with an ever growing commitment because of their union. Guide them into greater love and sacrifice as they care for each other's needs, knowing you will care for them. May they always be as keenly aware of your presence as they sense it today on this renewal Sunday. And may their devotion in marriage be a radiant reflection of your love for us.

In the name of Jesus, our Savior, we pray.
Amen.

Song

See the suggested song list

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Benediction

Suggested benedictions:

"The amazing grace of the Master, Jesus Christ, the extravagant love of God, the intimate friendship of the Holy Spirit, be with all of you."
2 Corinthians 13:14 (The Message)

"Blest be the tie that binds" (verses 1 - 3)

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne,
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts, and our cares.

We share our mutual woes,
Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.