

## Christian Same Sex Commitment Ceremony

Welcome friends and loved ones. We are gathered here today to witness the joining of lives of two wonderful people, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. They have created a loving committed relationship that inspires them, nurtures them, supports them, and affirms them. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, let nothing and no one stand in your heart's way. You and you alone know the desire of your love, and the leanings of your soul, so follow it, and trust in it. Allow your trust to always bloom, and allow your strength to grow as it will. Remember as it is said in Corinthians: "Love covers all things, it has faith for all things, it hopes in all things and it endureth in all things." You will find days where your love and strength are tested. Your patience will fray, and your strength will waver. "You once spoke as a child, but now you speak as an adult." You know who you are and what you want in your life. Remember to look to one another and know, that now as always, "there remains faith, hope, love," these three wondrous gifts; "but the greatest of these is love."

\_\_\_\_\_, is it your wish to be joined as a life partner with this person today? To share in all things, comfort in all things and to be by your partner's side, come what may?  
(First partner answers I do)

\_\_\_\_\_, is it your wish to be joined as a life partner with this person today? To share in all things, comfort in all things and to be by your partner's side come what may?  
(Second partner answers I do)

What token do you offer to your beloved as a symbol of your commitment today?  
(Rings are presented)  
(Officiant hands ring to first partner)

\_\_\_\_\_, please repeat after me:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, take you \_\_\_\_\_ to be my partner. I publicly declare both my intent and commitment to you today as your lover, your mate and your best friend. I promise to love you in good times as in bad, in sickness as in health, for richer or for poorer until we are so parted by death. With this ring, I pledge my self and my love to you.

\_\_\_\_\_, please repeat after me:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, take you \_\_\_\_\_ to be my partner. I publicly declare both my intent and commitment to you today as your lover, your mate and your best friend. I promise to love you in good times as in bad, in sickness as in health, for richer or for poorer until we are so parted by death. With this ring, I pledge my self and my love to you.

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Because \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ have declared themselves to be life mates here today in front of both their friends and family, it is now my honor and privilege to announce that they are "Partners for Life". You may exchange a kiss!

It is my honor and privilege to introduce for the first time,  
\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_.