FEEDBACK

“I am sitting here in tears. I love my ceremony. There is nothing I would change.”
“Thank you for your wonderful work. Very inspiring and clear – lovely.”
“These are beautiful vows. The first one hit just the right note for me.”
“I’m going to read the ceremony several times…there is so much in it that resonates with me.”

CONTACT

Please get in touch with me if you would like to talk about your wedding ceremony and vows. Full details about me, the organisation that ordained me, and the professional code of conduct that I follow can be found on my website (or I can send you information by post if you prefer).

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WEDDING CEREMONY

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Registered member of the OneSpirit Interfaith Ministers’ Association.
Your wedding ceremony is central to your special day. It’s during your ceremony that you formally celebrate your coming together and make your vows to each other. Your ceremony marks a stepping forward from single life into a closely bound partnership. It’s where you may receive a blessing for a happy future together.

The things that make up a ceremony – such as music, readings, prayers, rituals (like exchanging rings) and how you mark your joining together – therefore have a very important part to play and must be right for you.

Similarly, the words you exchange as your vows should be ones that you feel are absolutely meant to be, and be carefully thought through and sincerely meant.

As an interfaith minister, I can help you prepare a ceremony that will have deep meaning for you.

If you decide to engage me, I’ll arrange a time to talk with you as a couple, ideally face-to-face if we’re able, to find out what’s important for you and to understand what thoughts you may have about the type of ceremony you might like (formal/informal, traditional/unconventional, private/a big affair, indoors/outdoors, who might play a part in giving any readings, etc.).

Of course, I can suggest ideas and also take time to think and pray about what you tell me. You may also like to read through some sample ceremonies written for others, possibly giving a few fresh ideas to ponder – there are no rules about this, neither is there a need to have a ceremony that is particularly religious or traditional in feel!

I’ll then draft a ceremony (and, if you wish, suggested vows that you might like to consider), which we can then talk through together and then adapt as you feel necessary.

We’ll also take time to make sure that you and anyone else who might be involved in the ceremony knows what they’ll be doing on the day (although I’ll take care of this too and give prompts in the ceremony itself, so you won’t have to worry about forgetting what you need to say or do!).

We’ll iron out anything that doesn’t feel right, and I’ll take care of organising anything needed to support the ceremony (such as items you may wish for an altar). I’ll also do my best to be on hand by phone if you want to chat to me about anything that’s on your mind before your big day.

My aim is to make sure that your ceremony will be the most perfect it can be for you, and that your future steps as a couple will be truly blessed.

I hope that I will have the privilege of speaking with you soon.