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Dedication of Electa's Cup, Memorial Gift

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Frederick

W.M. Thank you. In the name of Bartholomew Chapter No. 22, I dedicate this gift for service.

Our cup of hospitality  
Is full to overflowing,  
The love and charity within our Chapter is growing;  
This cup we dedicate with blessings from above,  
In memory of our Sister Violet who exemplified His love.

Sister Electa, You will approach the East with the symbol of your station.  
(Take old cup, Give her new cup)  
Replace this retired emblem with this new cup for service. (She returns to her station and places new cup on her pedestal)  
The Star Points will now dedicate our gift. (They form a line on the west of the altar, and each in turn places left hand on the Bible and right hand uplifted as they give their lines)

Adah: In the name of the daughters of this Chapter, I dedicate this gift for service.

The lesson to love one another,  
From Electa, the teachings are clear.  
To be loyal to all our convictions,  
To be true without any fear.

Ruth: In the name of the widows of this Chapter, I dedicate this gift for service.

The cup is an emblem of serving;  
Red roses are fragrant with love,  
All teaching that true loving kindness  
Is in serving the Master above.

Esther: In the name of the wives of this Chapter, I dedicate this gift for service.

To Electa, the call of her Master  
Rang out over all she held dear.  
Her family, her friends and her loved ones  
Must fall if she stood without fear.

Martha: In the name of the sisters of this Chapter, I dedicate this gift for service.

Her faith and her love for her Savior  
Meant more than all else beside,  
For had He not said to follow?  
And He all the faithful would guide.

Electa: In the name of the mothers of this Chapter, I dedicate this gift for service.

Electa, so true to her purpose,  
Ever following Him from afar,  
Gave us the lesson of Mother,  
The love point of our central star.

W.M. Let us unite in prayer around the altar. (Officers form circle)

Chaplain: Our Father in Heaven, we thank Thee for this beautiful gift which we have just dedicated to the service of our Chapter. As we use it at our meetings, may it teach us to exemplify more fully the lessons which are taught to us by our beautiful Order, and which our Sister Violet truly exemplified throughout her life. May it help us to be more faithful to each other as we use it to promote the principles of Charity, Truth, and Loving-Kindness. These things we ask in the Master's name. Amen.

(The song "Blest Be the Tie" is sung, and the officers hum the second verse as they return to their stations.)