

Directions: If a very large book can be constructed with a cover that opens and shuts like a door, it will be effective for this service.

If the book is not possible, then the small white bibles that are carried by each officer to be installed will suffice.

A bible bearer, the reader, carrying a large white bible, may enter preceded by two or more candle bearers and followed by the same number. They may go to place in chapter room you desire, preferably in the East.

Then the officers come through the book as the cover is opened by a member dressed in biblical costume. Each one advances carrying his or her bible, and takes his or her place, forming a semi-circle.

The reader of the following may be costumed in biblical costume also.

Reader reads:

The teachings of our Eastern Star comes from the Holy book
Whose pages tell of virtue unto all who truly look

The Worthy Matron finds a guide that leads her to the East
She learns the last shall be the first, the greatest shall be least

The Worthy Patron learns that Square and Compass is the guide
That leads him to his Matron and helps him to preside

Associate Matron to the West brings pledges most sincere
To help maintain the Order's laws throughout the coming year

Associate Patron is the mate that helps her all he can
For he has read that God created a woman and a man

The Secretary whose duties so truly varied are
Records all deeds of kindness within the Eastern Star

The Treasurer who carried all our treasure in her pack
Is careful that in Charity our chapter does not lack

Conductress and Associate Conductress hurries to
Escort Initiates through paths of pleasant rosy hue

The Word of God is paramount as Chaplain leads our prayer
And to the Loving Father she commits our every care

With Promptness and with courtesy, the Marshal leads our way
And if we follow closely, then we will not go astray

With music and with gladness, as the Holy Book has told
The Organist inspired our chapter with music new and old

And Adah not afraid to die for what she thought was right
Is made immortal in the Books and in our hearts tonight

The deeds of Ruth, the Gleaner, who an aged woman fed
Dispelled all want brought honor, love, and wealth to her instead

From out the pages of the Book, Queen Esther taught that fear
Must be overcome when danger threatens loved ones far and near

We read that Martha's simple faith could even conquer death
She saw her brother Lazarus restored with living breath

Electa, clasping firm the cross, declared her faith in God
And now she bids us one and all to tread the path she trod

'My Peace Be Unto You' we've read it many a time
And now our Warden tries to see that peace is yours and mine

'To Watch and 'Guard' are both commands oft written in God's word
And these two things our Sentinel has very often heard

(All officers now are in place; they all open books as the
reader continues)

Now each one clasps a bible that will serve as chart and guide
They pledge to follow and to serve each other side by side
And so throughout the coming year, with lessons learned anew
They'll fill our Chapter room with love and joy and wisdom true.

FLOWER PRESENTATION TO NEWLY INSTALLED WORTHY PATRON

Within the pages of the Book
Wherever you may chance to look
With bright rejoicing you will see
That God is with you constantly
His Love and Care and Mighty Grace
All burdens from you will erase

Within the Book you'll also see
How, with Love's guidance, all were free
To find their way, both straight and long
'Til to the end, they come, full strong
We know his Strength will guide you, too
In all you think and strive to do

Please take these flowers, sweet and pure
And fill your heart with rich allure
May their full fragrance tell you true
How proud and pleased we are with you
We hope this night for you will be
Remembered with sweet poignancy
(Presents flowers and gift)

1. (Gift Presentation to W.P.)
So, too, we wish to say to you
That you will find us constant, true
And we are glad as you can see
That our new Patron you will be
Accept the love this flower brings
Its heart is full of goodly things
(Presents bud)

2. (New Short Poem to be used after Installation
of Star Points for presentation of flowers
to Newly Installed Star Points)
In the sanctum of our hearts
A wondrous star has shone
Oh, we have seen no other Star
So lovely as our own

3. For it has five bright colored rays
Blue, yellow, red, green, white
And each one has a place to shine
Within our hall tonight

4. The Blue Ray of Fidelity
The Yellow Ray so bright
The spotless Ray of Purity
And shining here tonight

5. While the Green Ray of Martha's faith
The deep Red Ray of Love
Unite to keep our purpose pure
And keep our thoughts above

6. So to the Five who'll represent
Those Rays this year throughout
We give a blossom of the hue
That each shall teach about.

The End