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OUR SACRED VOWS  
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Preparation-

All officers are in their stations. Small Bibles are in the hands of the Chaplain, Conductress, Associate Conductress and five star points. Each Star Point has a ribbon seal pinned on her dress with a small pin so that it may easily be removed at the proper time. Ribbons are of Star Point colors.

Music-

"Evening Prayer" sheet music or a version of this song may be found in many hymnals. "Open My Eyes That I May See" may also be found in hymnals. Incidental sacred music to be used for floor movements.

One singer.

Program.

Worthy Matron speaks:

We have all taken the Obligation of our Order. At the Altar, holding the sacred book we pledged ourselves to many things, namely; (here name a few of our promises) These promises were not made for one night or for one year but for as long as life should last. Time and again during our initiation ceremonies we have heard others repeat these vows but after the first time, how often have we felt them truly to be ours? It behooves us to think of these things and to be reminded over and over of the high ideals set before us in our Order. So tonight, that we may all have a part in this sacred reminder we have designated as Obligation Night. Again we will share with one another the pledges we made kneeling before the Altar. But before renewing these vows let us unite in prayer.

The Chaplain carrying a small white Bible approaches the Altar, holds the Bible in the same manner as candidates do, she kneels and bows her head. The lights are lowered and a spot light may be turned on the Altar if you have one.

When the Chaplain has reached this position the singer sings for the prayer the song, "An Evening Prayer" sometimes called, "If I have Wounded any Soul Today".

At the close of the song the Chaplain says, "So may it ever be". She rises and resumes her station.

The Matron calls up the Chapter. She says:

Led by our Worthy Patron, we will in unison <sup>renew</sup> our obligation.

The Patron goes to the Altar. At the same time the Conductress and Associate Conductress leave their stations and approach the Altar together. They kneel before it each holding her small Bible in proper position for receiving the Obligation. The Patron gives the Obligation and all repeat it together after him. At the close the Patron says to the Conductress and Associate Conductress-"Arise my sisters". They remain standing before the Altar holding their Bibles.

The Patron moves back to a place before the labyrinth and remains there. The Matron seats the Chapter. When they are seated the Patron says: What so ever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them: for this is the law and the prophets.

The singer then sings, "Open My Eyes That I may See".