



WE WARMLY WELCOME YOU TO  
THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY OF

*Ellen Jayne Gerrard*

&

*Jonathan Thomas Mathews*

FRIDAY 14TH APRIL 2023

ST PETER'S CHURCH

SCORTON

## **THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE**

### **THE WELCOME**

The Revd Peter Ballard

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

God is love, and those who live in love live in God and

God lives in them. 1 John 4.16

Opening Prayer

### **HYMN ONE: LORD OF THE DANCE**

I danced in the morning  
When the world was begun,  
And I danced in the moon  
And the stars and the sun,  
And I came down from heaven  
And I danced on the earth,  
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

#### **Chorus:**

Dance, then, wherever you may be,  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,  
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.

## THE MARRIAGE

### THE BLESSING

The Prayers & Lord's Prayer

Lord of life and love:

**All:** hear our prayer.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.

The minister says a prayer of blessing for the whole congregation:

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,  
defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and  
peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the  
Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with  
you always. **Amen.**

*THE REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE*

*THE DEPARTURE OF THE BRIDE AND GROOM*

**Maid of Honour**

Kathryn McIntyre

**Best Man**

David Mathews

**Bridesmaids**

Larua Proffitt

Alice Hutchinson

Rachel Mills

**Groosmen**

Thomas Longstaff

Matthew Lambett

Harry Finch

**Junior Bridesmaids**

Lily James

Lara Mistry

**Flower Girls**

Evelyn Mathews

Vidhya Mistry

Laila Abraham

**Witnesses**

Laura Proffitt

Leanne Philip-Abraham