

Angels help us to adore Him;  
Ye behold Him face to face;  
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,  
Dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise Him, praise Him,  
praise Him, praise Him,  
Praise with us the God of grace.

### **THE MARRIAGE**

The Declarations

The Vows

The Giving Of The Rings

The Proclamation

### **READING**

by Chloe Fabian

Blessing Of The Hands By Rev Daniel L Harris

These are the hands of your best friend, young and strong and full of love for you, that are holding yours on your wedding day, as you promise to love each other today, tomorrow, and forever.

These are the hands that will work alongside yours, as together you build your future.

These are the hands that will passionately love you and cherish you through the years, and with the slightest touch, will comfort you like no other.

These are the hands that will hold you when fear or grief fills your mind.

These are the hands that will countless times wipe the tears from your eyes; tears of sorrow, and tears of joy.

These are the hands that will tenderly hold your children.  
These are the hands that will help you to hold your family as one.  
These are the hands that will give you strength when you need it.  
And lastly, these are the hands that even when wrinkled and aged,  
will still be reaching for yours, still giving you the same unspoken  
tenderness with just a touch.

### **HYMN**

#### Lord of All Hopefulness

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares can destroy,  
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,  
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,  
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,  
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

## **READING**

by Peter Darwent  
ECCLESIASTES 4:9-12

Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their  
labour:

If either of them falls down, one can help the other up.

But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.

Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one  
keep warm alone?

Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves.

A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

## **READING**

by Julian Fabian  
SONG OF SONGS 2:10-13

My beloved spoke and said to me,

“Arise, my darling, my beautiful one, come with me.

See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone.

Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come,  
the cooing of doves is heard in our land.

The fig tree forms its early fruit; the blossoming vines spread their  
fragrance.

Arise, come, my darling; my beautiful one, come with me.”

## **THE ADDRESS**

## **THE PRAYERS AND THE BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever.

Amen.

### **HYMN**

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My comforter, my all in all  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live