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TO THE MARRIAGE OF

ELLEN CRAWSHAW

AND

JACK CROWE

THE TWENTY-THIRD OF AUGUST | 2023

CEREMONY - 1.45pm

THAXTED PARISH CHURCH | THAXTED, ESSEX

SERVICE CONDUCTED BY FATHER GERWYN CAPON

## **THE ENTRANCE OF THE BRIDE**

Bridal Chorus, Wagner

## **THE WELCOME**

### **HYMN**

We pledge to one another,  
before the Lord above,  
entire and whole and perfect,  
this union of our love —  
a love that will be patient,  
a love that will be wise,  
that will not twist with envy,  
nor lose itself in lies;  
a love that will not falter,  
a love to hold us fast,  
and bind us to each other  
as long as life shall last.

We pray that God will guide us  
through all the years to be,  
our lives be shaped by courage,  
hope and serenity.

Through joy and celebration,  
through loneliness and pain,  
may loyalty, compassion  
and tenderness remain,  
that those who share the blessing  
of love that cannot cease  
may walk the paths of gentleness  
into the place of peace.

## **THE DECLARATIONS AND OPENING PRAYER**

*FIRST READING*

A reading from Song of Solomon 2.10-13; 8.6,7,

*SECOND READING*

The Art of Marriage by Wilferd Arlan Peterson

**THE MARRIAGE**

**HYMN**

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,  
Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
Hold me with thy powerful hand:  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven  
Feed me till I want no more.  
Feed me till I want no more.

Open thou the crystal fountain  
Whence the healing stream shall flow;  
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through:  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer  
Be thou still my strength and shield.  
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side:  
Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to thee.  
I will ever give to thee.

## **THE PRAYERS**

Concluding with **The LORDS 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.  
Amen.

## **THE BLESSING**

### **THE SIGNING OF THE REGISTER**

Music during the signing of the register,  
Canon in D, Pachelbel

### **THE DEPARTURE OF THE BRIDE AND GROOM**

Hornpipe in D, Handel