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## THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE

The Arrival of the Queen of Sheba

*A piece from George Friedrich Handel's oratorio 'Soloman', Sinfonia for two oboes and strings; originally written in 1784 and performed for the first time on 17th March 1749.*

## THE WELCOME

The Reverend Tobie Osmond

&

The Reverent Canon Alan Gyle

## HYMN - **Thine be the Glory**

*Originally written by Swiss Protestant minister Edmond Budry in 1884, 'Thine Be the Glory' was translated into English nearly 40 years later in 1923 by Richard Birch Hoyle. It is set to the tune of the chorus "See, the Conqu'ring hero comes" from the third section of Handel's oratorio Judas Maccabaeus.*

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes where Thy body lay.

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.*

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb.  
Lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom;  
let His church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.

*Great is Thy faithfulness  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine with 10, 000 beside

### **THE DISMISSAL**

Recessional Music - Trumpet Voluntary in D - John Stanley  
*Stanley was blinded at the age of 2 following a childhood accident, despite this he went on to be the youngest ever graduate of Music at Oxford aged 17, became good friends with Handel and succeeded William Boyce as Master of the King's Musick when he was 67 and then lived to the age of 74!*

### **BRIDE & GROOM DEPARTURE**

*"We are all a little weird and life's a little weird, and when we find someone whose weirdness is compatible with ours, we join up with them and fall in mutual weirdness and call it love"* Author Unknown

**Maid of Honour**

Laura Smith

**Best Man**

Dave Barstow

**Bridesmaids**

Caitlin Dyde

Olivia Muir

**Ushers**

James Webb

Harrison Hunter

Nick Onyett

Will Jordan

**With huge Thanks to the amazing team at Taunton Minster:**

Miles Quick - Music Director & Organist

Stuart Paul - Trumpet

The Choir of Taunton Minster

The Bell Ringers of Taunton Minster

The Flower Ladies of Taunton Minster