

HYMN

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.**

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.

**I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;
the holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high,
and they left me there on a cross to die.**

Chorus

**I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body, and they thought I'd gone,
but I am the dance and I still go on.**

Chorus

**They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die:
I'll live in you if you'll live in me ~
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.**

Chorus

THE DECLARATIONS

Will you, the families and friends of Richard and Stephanie support and uphold them in their marriage now and in the years to come?

All: We will.

1 Corinthians 13.4-8

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails.

ADDRESS

THE MARRIAGE VOWS

HYMN

GIVE ME JOY IN MY HEART

**Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
give me joy in my heart, I pray.
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
keep me praising till the end of day.**

**Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to the King!**

**Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
give me peace in my heart, I pray.
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
keep me resting till the break of day.**

Chorus

**Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
give me love in my heart, I pray.
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
keep me serving till the break of day.**

Chorus

**Give me light in my heart, keep me shining
Give me love in my heart, I pray,
Give me light in my heart, keep me shining
keep me shining till the break of day.**

Chorus

SIGNING OF THE MARRIAGE DOCUMENT

Air on the G String - Bach

PRAYERS

**Faithful God, holy and eternal, source of life and spring of love,
we thank and praise you for bringing Richard and Stephanie to
this day, and we pray for them.**

Lord of life and love

All: Hear our prayer.

**May their marriage be life-giving and life-long,
enriched by your presence and strengthened by your grace;
may they bring comfort and confidence to each other
in faithfulness and trust.**

Lord of life and love:

All: Hear our prayer.

**May the hospitality of their home
bring refreshment and joy to all around them;
may their love overflow to neighbours in need
and embrace those in distress.**

Lord of life and love:

All: Hear our prayer.

**May they discern in your word
order and purpose for their lives;
and may the power of your Holy Spirit
lead them in truth and defend them in adversity.**

Lord of life and love:

All: Hear our prayer.