

The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one:

Refrain

The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset, and the morning
That brightens up the sky

Refrain

He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God almighty,
Who has made all things well:

Refrain

THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY

The Vows

The Giving of the Rings

The Proclamation of the Marriage

The Blessing of the Marriage

FIRST READING

A love poem between two lovers
Song of Solomon 2.10-13; 8.6,7,
Read by Sarah Montgomerie

SECOND READING

Touched by an Angel by Maya Angelou
Read by Simon Shakespeare

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.

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.

I danced for the scribe
And the pharisee,
But they would not dance
And they wouldn't follow me.
I danced for the fishermen,
For James and John
They came with me
And the Dance went on.

Chorus

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

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 PRAYERS FOR THE MARRIAGE