


WELCOME TO THE WEDDING OF



LAURA FRY
and
JACK STONE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, POYNINGS

THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE

THE WELCOME

Conducted by Revd Tim Harford, The Rector

HYMN - Lord of Hopefulness

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could 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.

INTRODUCTION TO THE MARRIAGE SERVICE

The introduction speaks of the church's understanding of marriage and God's will for it.

THE DECLARATIONS

The priest asks everyone present if they know any reason in law why the couple should not marry. The priest then asks the couple the same questions and about their commitment to each other.

Finally, the whole congregation is asked:
Will you, the family and friends of Laura and Jack support and uphold them in their marriage now and in the years to come?

All: We will.

PRAYER

READING

Ecclesiastes 4:9–12, read by Conor Walker Simms

THE ADDRESS

THE MARRIAGE

Laura and Jack will each give their consent to the other and make solemn vows and in token of this will each give and receive a ring.

THE PROCLAMATION

...they are husband and wife.
“Those whom God has joined together let no one put asunder”.

THE BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE

Laura and Jack kneel at the alter rail as the prayers of blessing are offered.

THE REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE

During which we listen to Blackbird – Eddie Howard

HYMN - JERUSALEM

And did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountains green?
And was the holy Lamb of God
On England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the Countenance Divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
Among these dark Satanic mills?
Bring me my bow of burning gold:
Bring me my arrows of desire:
Bring me my spear: O clouds unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire.
I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand
Till we have built Jerusalem
In England's green and pleasant land.

PRAYER

Prayers are offered for Laura and Jack, after which we pray together the words of 'The Lord's 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 AND DISMISSAL

Laura and Jack walk down the aisle as husband and wife.