

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**