Order of Service for the marriage of

ALEXANDRA STEEL & PAUL SMITH

Saturday September 23rd

2023

AT FOUR IN THE AFTERNOON

ST PETER'S CHURCH CHURCH STREET, OUNDLE

ENTRANCE

A Thousand Years by Christina Perri

THE WELCOME

HYMN - FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, pleasures pure and undefiled:

For each perfect gift of thine, to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers of earth, and buds of heaven:

For thy Church which evermore lifteth holy hands above, offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love:

THE MARRIAGE SERVICE

THE DECLARATIONS

THE VOWS

THE GIVING AND RECEIVING OF A RING

THE PROCLAMATION

THE BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE

READINGColossians 3 vv12-17

SERMON

HYMN - JERUSALEM

And did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountain 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 those 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.

PRAYERS

THE DISMISSAL

REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE

Fields of Gold by Eva Cassidy

At Last by Etta James

WEDDING PROCESSION

Wedding March Mendelssohn