

**HYMN**  
**COME TO A WEDDING**

Come to a wedding,  
come to a blessing,  
come on a day when happiness sings!  
Come rain or sun,  
come winter or summer,  
celebrate love and all that it brings.

Thanks for the love,  
that holds us together,  
parent and child, and lover and friend;  
thanks to the God,  
whose love is our centre,  
source of compassion, knowing no end.

Love is the gift,  
and love is the giver,  
love is the gold that  
makes the day shine;  
love forgets self to care for the other,  
love changes life from water to wine.

Come to this wedding,  
asking a blessing,  
for all the years that living will prove;  
health of the body,  
health of the spirit,  
now to you both we offer our love.

## THE PREFACE

## THE DECLARATIONS

*The Minister says to the congregation*

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

**All: We will.**

## THE COLLECT

*The minister invites the people to pray,*

God our Father, from the beginning  
you have blessed creation with abundant life.  
Pour out your blessings upon Keiren and Sam,  
that they may be joined in mutual love and companionship,  
in holiness and commitment to each other.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**All: Amen.**

# **THE MARRIAGE**

The Vows

The Proclamation

The Blessing of the Marriage

## **FIRST READING**

Union, by Robert Fulgham

read by Dawn Parias

## **SECOND READING**

1 Corinthians 13 (*ESVUK*)

read by Beverley Peters

# SERMON

## PRAYERS

*At the bidding*

Lord of life and love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude with the Lord's Prayer.*

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All: Our Father,  
who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
in 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.**