WELCOME TO THE MARRIAGE SERVICE OF



WEDNESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 2023
ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BREDHURST

ENTRANCE OF THE BRIDE

THE WELCOME

Reverend Canon Brian Senior

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you "and also with you."

PRAYER

God of wonder and joy,
grace comes from you,
and you alone are the source of life and love.
Without you, we cannot please you;
without your love, our deeds are worth nothing.
Send your Holy Spirit,
and pour into our hearts, that most excellent gift of love,
that we may worship you now, with thankful hearts,
and serve you always with willing minds;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

"Amen"

HYMN

Lord of all hopefullness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever child-like, 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 kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace, be there at our waking, 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.

PREFACE

Reverend Canon Brian Senior

THE DECLARATIONS

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

We will.

THE COLLECT

God our Father,
from the beginning,
you have blessed creation with abundant life.
Pour out your blessings upon Pierre and Charlotte,
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 forever.

Amen.

READING

1 Corinthians, 13 Read by Fanny Swanson

THE SERMON

Reverend Canon Brian Senior

THE VOWS AND GIVING OF RINGS

THE BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE

READING

Sonnet 116, by William Shakespeare Read by Hannah McLaughlin

PRAYERS

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 tresspasses,
as we forgive those that tresspass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
forever and ever.
Amen.

HYMN

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice; tender to me, the promise of his word; in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!

Make known his might, the deeds, his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name - the Lord, the Might One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

THE REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE
THE DISMISSAL