



ORDER OF SERVICE

YOU ARE WARMLY WELCOMED  
TO THE WEDDING CEREMONY OF

ALASDAIR JOHN DICK

*and*

LAURA STEWART

30 DECEMBER 2023  
THE CHAPEL, ASHRIDGE HOUSE

## **THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE**

The Bridal March – Richard Wagner

## **THE WELCOME**

The Revd. John Russell

God is love, and those who live in love live in God  
and God lives in them.

1 John 4.16

### **All:**

God of wonder and of 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 the Dance**

I danced in the morning  
when the world was begun.  
And I dance 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

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

## **PREFACE**

The congregation sit

## **THE DECLARATIONS**

The congregation stand

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

**WE WILL**

## **THE COLLECT**

The theme prayer for the service

## **FIRST READING**

**1 CORINTHIANS 13** read by Ami McClean

## **SERMON**

## **THE VOWS AND GIVING OF THE RINGS**

## **THE PROCLAMATION**

The priest addresses the congregation

## **THE NUPTIAL BLESSING**

### **SECOND READING**

**I'LL BE THERE FOR YOU** read by Jennifer Paternoster

### **THE PRAYERS**

the prayers conclude with 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.**

**HYMN**  
**O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL**

O come, all ye faithful,  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold him,  
Born the King of angels;

O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O Come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

God of God,  
Light of Light,  
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb:  
Very God,  
Begotten, not created;

Sing, choirs of angels,  
Sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;  
Glory to God  
In the highest;

**BLESSING**

Wedding March - Felix Mendel

**MAID OF HONOUR**

Melanie Stewart

**BEST MEN**

David Buttle

Nicholas De'Bouillane

**GROOMSMAN**

William Wood

**BRIDESPEOPLE**

Samantha Jennings

Arabella Gilby

Katharine Mundy

Bethan Conroy

Stephen White

Hannah Cadby-Taylor

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