

Make me a channel of your peace  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned  
It is in giving to all men that we receive  
And in dying that we are born to eternal life

Refrain

## INTRODUCTION TO THE MARRIAGE

### READING

1 Corinthians 13

Read by Joanne McEvoy

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or  
boastful  
or arrogant or rude.

It does not insist on it's own way; it is not irritable  
or resentful;

It does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the  
truth.

It bears all things, believes all things, endures all  
things.

## HYMN - WE PLEDGE TO ONE ANOTHER

We pledge to one another,  
before the Lord above,  
entire and whole and perfect,  
this union of our love —  
a love that will be patient,  
a love that will be wise,  
that will not twist with envy,  
nor lose itself in lies;  
a love that will not falter,  
a love to hold us fast,  
and bind us to each other  
as long as life shall last.

We pray that God will guide us  
through all the years to be,  
our lives be shaped by courage,  
hope and serenity.  
Through joy and celebration,  
through loneliness and pain,  
may loyalty, compassion  
and tenderness remain,  
that those who share the blessing  
of love that cannot cease  
may walk the paths of gentleness  
into the place of peace.

## READING

Everything I Know About Love by Dolly Alderton  
Read by Zoe Feldwick

I know that love can be loud and jubilant...it can be dancing in the swampy mud at a festival and shouting 'YOU ARE AMAZING' over the band. Its introducing them to your colleagues and basking in pride as they make people laugh and make you look lovable just by being loved by them.

It's laughing until you wheeze. Its waking up in a country neither of you have been before.

Its a big, beautiful, ebullient force of nature.

I also know that love is a pretty quiet thing.

Its lying on the sofa drinking coffee, taking about where you are going to go that morning to drink more coffee. Its hanging up their laundry they have moronically left in the washing machine.

Its the texts 'hope your day goes well', 'thinking of you today', 'picked up loo roll'.

I know that love happens under the splendour of the moon and the stars and fireworks and sunsets, but it also happens when you are sitting in A&E, in the queue for a passport or in a traffic jam.

Love is a quiet, reassuring, relaxing, pottering pedantic, harmonious hum of a thing; something you can easily forget is there, even though its hands are outstretched beneath you in case you fall.

## READING

These I Can Promise By Mark Twain  
Read by Emma Dugdale

I cannot promise you a life of sunshine;  
I cannot promise riches, wealth or gold;  
I cannot promise an easy pathway  
That leads away from change or growing old.  
But I can promise all my hearts devotion  
A smile to chase away your tears of sorrow;  
A love that's ever true and ever growing;  
A hand to hold in yours through each tomorrow.

## THE ADDRESS

## THE MARRIAGE

## PRAYERS