

## **THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE**

Rhosymedre – No 2 of Three Preludes  
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## **THE WELCOME**

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## **PRAYER**

**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**

### DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways!  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper reverence, praise;  
in deeper reverence, praise.

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of thy peace;  
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm;  
O still, small voice of calm.

## **PREFACE**

### **THE DECLARATIONS**

### **THE COLLECT**

## **READINGS**

### *FIRST READING*

A reading from the Book of Ruth 1. 6 - 18, by Norah Lewis

### *SECOND READING*

'Blessings of the Hands', by Anna Sherrington

## **THE VOWS**

## **THE GIVING OF RINGS**

## **THE PROCLAMATION**

## **THE BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE**

## **SERMON**

## **HYMN**

### **BE THOU MY VISION**

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;  
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,  
be thou ever with me, and I with thee Lord;  
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;  
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
be thou my whole armor, be thou my true might;  
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:  
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

## **PRAYERS**

### **THE DISSMISSAL**

### **THE DEPARTURE OF THE BRIDE AND GROOM**

Wedding March