

ORDER OF SERVICE



THE MARRIAGE OF
CLAIRE ELIZABETH
GREEN

&

JOSEPH LESLIE
THOMPSON

6TH MARCH 2024
AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING
ST JAMES THE GREAT CHURCH, ELMSTED
THE REVEREND RAVI HOLY

At the entrance of the Bride

Arrival of the Queen of Sheba

George F Handel

Welcome

Hymn

Morning has broken

Eleanor Farjeon

Morning has broken like the first morning,
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rains new fall, sunlit from Heaven,
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,
Born of the one light, Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!

Preface & Declarations

Reading

Sonnet 116, William Shakespeare

Tarn Phillips

Hymn

Tell out, my soul

Timothy Dudley-Smith

**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 mighty 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 MARRIAGE CEREMONY

During the signing of the Register

Water Music Suite No. 1 in F Major, V. Air

George F Handel

Readings

***"On your wedding day" &
"Love doesn't start with a shoe",
Donna Ashworth***

Adrienne Thompson

The Address & Prayers

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

I vow to thee, my country

Sir Cecil Spring Rice

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love;
The love that asks no questions, the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace.

The Blessing

At the exit of the Bride & Groom

Symphony for Organ No. 5, Toccata

Charles-Marie Widor