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CHRIST CHURCH DERBY

## **Bridal Entrance**

*The Prince of Denmark's March (Composer - Jeremiah Clarke, Trumpet -  
Ludwig Güttler)*

## **Welcome and Introduction**

*Joel Kendall*

## **Song - A Mighty Fortress**

*Words and Music - Martin Luther*

1. A mighty fortress is our God,  
A bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He amid the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe  
Doth seek to work us woe -  
His craft and power are great,  
And, armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not His equal.
2. Did we in our own strength confide,  
Our striving would be losing,  
Were not the right Man on our side,  
The Man of God's own choosing.  
Dost ask who that may be?  
Christ Jesus, it is He -  
Lord Sabaoth His Name,  
From age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.
3. And though this world, with devils  
filled,  
Should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed  
His truth to triumph through us.  
The prince of darkness grim,  
We tremble not for him -  
His rage we can endure,  
For lo, his doom is sure:  
One little word shall fell him.
4. That Word above all earthly  
powers,  
No thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
Through Him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go,  
This mortal life also -  
The body they may kill,  
God's truth abideth still:  
His kingdom is forever.

## **Music Choices**

### ***Bridal Entrance***

While Caity was growing up her Dad was involved, through the Dresden Trust, in the rebuilding of the Frauenkirche. This piece was the unofficial anthem of the project and was played majestically by Ludwig Güttler at the opening service. It evokes many of Caity's most special childhood memories, of family holidays in Dresden.

### ***A Mighty Fortress***

Known as the battle hymn of the Reformation, this hymn reminds us that God is our mighty protector and that we need never fear since He is with us. We want to live our married life in His strength and not our own.

### ***Guide Me O Thou Great Redeemer***

The Bible teaches that Christians are pilgrims on their way to heaven. Tom and Caity know and trust that God will guide them by His Spirit through His Word, all the days of this short, uncertain earthly life and pilgrimage.

### ***Christ Our Hope in Life and Death***

Tom and Caity love the precious truths in this song. We're under no illusions that married life will always be easy. This song reminds us that Christ is the only true comfort and reassurance we can know, and promises to sustain us and give us everything we need.

### ***Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me***

The truths in this song have helped Tom and Caity through many tough times. In particular, this song reminds us that we are forgiven and our sin has been defeated, not through our own efforts but solely through Jesus' death on the Cross.

### ***Love Divine***

On a day which is all about love, this hymn celebrates the greatest love of all: Christ's perfect, boundless love for His Bride, the Church. It looks forward to the day when all Christians will worship Him in Glory, "lost in wonder, love and praise".

### ***Exit Music***

One of Tom and Caity's favourite songs. They saw it performed live for Caity's birthday last year.

**Psalm 100**

- 1 Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!  
2 Serve the Lord with gladness!  
Come into his presence with singing!  
3 Know that the Lord, he is God!  
It is he who made us, and we are his;[a]  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.  
4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!  
5 For the Lord is good;  
his steadfast love endures for ever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

