I will ever give to thee. I will ever give to thee.

#### THE PREFACE

#### THE DECLARATIONS

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

All: We will.

#### FIRST READING

A reading from Genesis, Chapter 32, Verses 24-30.

Read by Patrick Campbell

And Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and Jacob's thigh was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob". Then he said, "Your name shall no more be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Tell me, I pray, your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the name of the place Peni'el, saying, "For I have seen God face to face...."

#### THE COLLECT

#### SECOND READING

## And did those feet in ancient times, William Blake.

Read by Yuiko Asaba

And did those feet in ancient time,
Walk upon England's mountains green:
And was the holy Lamb of God,
On England's pleasant pastures seen!

And did the Countenance Divine, Shine forth upon our clouded hills? And was Jerusalem builded here, Among these dark Satanic Mills?

Bring me my Bow of burning gold:
Bring me my arrows of desire:
Bring me my Spear: O clouds unfold!
Bring me my Chariot of fire!

I will not cease from Mental Fight,

Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand:

Till we have built Jerusalem,

In England's green & pleasant Land.

#### HYMN

# Love Divine, All Loves Excelling.

Charles Wesley (words) / William Penfro Rowlands (melody - Blaenwen)

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down; fix in us your humble dwelling, all your faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, you are all compassion boundless love that makes us whole; visit us with your salvation, enter every trembling soul.

Breathe on us your loving Spirit; every troubled heart be blessed:
 let us all in you inherit,
let us find your promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning,
 Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
 set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all your grace receive; suddenly return, and never, nevermore your temples leave: you we would be always blessing, serve you as your hosts above, pray and praise you without ceasing, glory in your perfect love.

Finish then your new creation,
pure and sinless let us be;
let us see your great salvation,
perfect in eternity:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we lay our crowns before you,
lost in wonder, love and praise.

#### THE SERMON

#### THE VOWS

#### THE GIVING OF RINGS

#### THE PROCLAMATION

#### THE BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE

# THE REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE

During this time, Rica Asaba and Yuiko Asaba will play the following Argentine tango pieces.

> Por Una Cabeza - Carlos Gardel Volver - Carlos Gardel

#### **PRAYERS**

Prayers shall be led by Jonathan Venning. At the bidding "Lord of Love and Life," the congregation is invited to respond with the words

## All: "Hear our prayer"

#### 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

#### THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT (COMMUNION)

At this point in the service, Malcolm and Ruiko will receive communion together.

#### THIRD READING

A reading from Matthew, Chapter 22, Verses 36-40.

Read by Margaret Venning

"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "''You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself'. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets."

#### HYMN

#### I Vow to Thee My Country

Sir Cecil Arthur Rice (words) / Gustav Holst (melody - Thaxted [as used in Jupiter])

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 question, 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 DISMISSAL

The Revd Dr Jonathan Rowe

#### THE DEPARTURE OF THE BRIDE & GROOM

The Dam Busters, Eric Coates.

## Sonnet No. 116

# William Shakespeare

Let me not to the marriage of true minds
Admit impediments. Love is not love
Which alters when it alteration finds,
Or bends with the remover to remove.
O no, it is an ever fixed mark
That looks on tempest and is never shaken;
It is the star to every wand'ring barque,
Whose worth's unknown although his height be taken.
Love's not time's fool, though rosy lips and cheeks
Within his bending sickle's compass come;
Love's alters not with his brief hours and weeks,
But bears it out even to the edge of doom.
If this be error and upon me proved, I never writ, nor
no man ever loved.

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