ORDER OF SERVICE



Saturday 30th March 2024 Holy Trinity North Fambridge

Bridal March

Wagner

Welcome

1 John 4.16 Ruth 1:16b

Opening Prayer

Come to a Wedding

Bunessan (sang to the tune of Morning Has Broken)

Come to a wedding, come to a blessing, come on a day when happiness sings!

Come rain or sun, come winter or summer, celebrate love and all that it brings.

Thanks for the love, that holds us together, parent and child, and lover and friend; thanks to the God, whose love is our centre, source of compassion, knowing no end.

Love is the gift, and love is the giver, love is the gold that makes the day shine; love forgets self to care for the other, love changes life from water to wine.

Come to this wedding, asking a blessing, for all the years that living will prove; health of the body, health of the spirit, now to you both we offer our love.

The Declarations

Readings

Captain Corelli's Mandolin by Louis De Bernières (Read by Hayley Curran)

1 Corinthians 13

Address

We Pledge to One Another

Thaxted (sang to the tune of I Vow to Thee, My Country)

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.

The Marriage

Exchange of vows
The giving of rings
The proclamation
Blessing of the marriage
Registration of the marriage

The Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Final Blessing

Hornpipe Water Music Handel

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