



WE WARMLY WELCOME YOU TO  
THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY OF

*Sarah Elizabeth*  
&  
*John Christopher*

APRIL 27TH 2024

14:00

ST. PETERS CHURCH  
BERKHAMSTED

## The Welcome

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you  
**and also with you**

**Hymn: One more step along the world I  
go.**

One more step along the world I go  
One more step along the world I go  
From the old things to the new  
Keep me traveling along with you

And it's from the old I travel to the new  
Keep me traveling along with you

'Round the corners of the world I turn  
More and more about the world I learn  
And the new things that I see  
You'll be looking at along with me

And it's from the old I travel to the new  
Keep me traveling along with you

As I travel through the bad and good  
Keep me traveling the way I should  
Where I see no way to go  
You'll be telling me the way, I know

And it's from the old I travel to the new  
Keep me traveling along with you

Give me courage when the world is rough  
Keep me loving though the world is tough  
Leap and sing in all I do  
Keep me traveling along with you

And it's from the old I travel to the new  
Keep me traveling along with you

You are older than the world can be  
You are younger than the life in me  
Ever old and ever new  
Keep me traveling along with you

And it's from the old I travel to the new  
Keep me traveling along with you

## Preface

### The Declarations

**At the end of which the minister priest  
asks the congregation**

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

**We will.**

God our Father, from the beginning you  
have blessed creation with abundant life.  
Pour out your blessings upon Sarah and  
John, That they may be joined in mutual  
love and companionship, in holiness and  
commitment to each other. We ask this  
through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son,  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the  
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and  
forever.

**Amen**

### Readings

To love is not to possess  
Read by Jessica Willis

Colossians Chapter 13 Verses 12-17  
Read by George Parker

I Corinthians Chapter 13  
Read by Tom Sheffield

### Sermon

## **Hymn: Give me joy in my heart.**

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising  
Give me joy in my heart, I pray  
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising  
Keep me praising 'til the end of day

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna to the King of kings  
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna to the King

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting  
Give me peace in my heart, I pray  
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting  
Keep me resting 'til the end of day

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna to the King of kings  
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna to the King

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving  
Give me love in my heart, I pray  
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving  
Keep me serving 'til the end of day

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna to the King of kings  
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna to the King

Give me light in my heart, keep me hining  
Give me light in my heart, keep me shining  
Give me light in my heart, I pray  
Give me light in my heart, keep me shining  
Keep me shining 'til the end of day

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna to the King of kings  
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Sing hosanna to the King

## **The Marriage**

### **Registration of the Marriage**

#### **Hymn: Colours of Day.**

Colours of day dawn into the mind,  
The sun has come up, the night is behind,  
Go down in the city, into the street,  
And let's give the message to the people we  
meet.

So light up the fire and let the flame burn,  
Open the door, let Jesus return,  
Take seeds of His Spirit, let the fruit grow,  
Tell the people of Jesus, let His love show.  
Go through the park, on into the town,  
The sun still shines on, it never goes down,  
The Light of the world is risen again,  
The people of darkness are needing a friend.

So light up the fire and let the flame burn,  
Open the door, let Jesus return,  
Take seeds of His Spirit, let the fruit grow,  
Tell the people of Jesus, let His love show.

Open your eyes, look into the skies,  
The darkness has gone, the Son came to die,  
The evening draws on, the sun disappears,  
But Jesus is living, His Spirit is near.

So light up the fire and let the flame burn,  
Open the door, let Jesus return,  
Take seeds of His Spirit, let the fruit grow, Tell  
the people of Jesus, let His love show.

## **Prayers and The Lord's Prayer**

The prayers conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour  
has taught us

**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: Jerusalem.**

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.

## **The minister says**

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith  
and love, defend you on every side, and guide  
you in truth and peace;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen**