

*Order of Service*

for the wedding of



ELYSIA ALLSOPP

*and*

LUKE BIRTLES

12pm | 20.04.2024

All Saints Church | Leighton Buzzard

The couple politely ask that you please turn off your phones and cameras during the ceremony and be fully present for this time. We have wonderful professionals on hand to capture these special moments. Photography is welcome after the ceremony has finished.

## **ENTRANCE OF THE BRIDE**

Highland Cathedral

### **HYMN - LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS**

*Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,  
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.*

*Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,  
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.*

*Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,  
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.*

*Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,  
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day*

### **WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER**

by Canon Grant Fellows

**All:**

*God of wonder and of joy: grace comes from you,  
and you alone are the source of life and love.*

*Without you, we cannot please you;  
without your love, our deeds are worth nothing.*

*Send your Holy Spirit, and pour into our hearts  
that most excellent gift of love,  
that we may worship you now with thankful hearts  
and serve you always with willing minds;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**Amen.**

## **THE PREFACE AND DECLARATIONS**

### **INCLUDING:**

Priest: Will you, the families and friends of Luke and Lissie, support and uphold them in their marriage now and in the years to come?

**All: We will**

### **READING - Romans 12: 9-18**

read by Stephen Birtles

## **THE ADDRESS**

## **THE VOWS AND GIVING OF THE RINGS**

### **THE NUPTIAL BLESSING**

#### **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 those 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 and pleasant land.*

## **THE PRAYERS - INCLUDING 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.***

## **THE SIGNING OF THE REGISTERS**

May it Be - performed by Tara Love  
In Dreams - performed by David Allsopp

## **THE FINAL BLESSING**

## **EXIT OF THE BRIDE AND GROOM**

Wedding March - Mendelssohn

Please join us outside the church for a confetti throw  
before heading to the reception.