

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.

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## **THE DECLARATIONS**

During which the priest says to the congregation:

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

The congregation respond:

*We will.*

## **FIRST READING**

Ecclesiastes Chapter 4, verses 9-12,

Read by Carol-Ann Thain

## THE ADDRESS

## THE VOWS

## THE GIVING OF THE RINGS

## THE BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE

## THE PRAYERS

The response to  
Lord of life and love is *Hear our prayer*

*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever.  
Amen.*

## **HYMN** - Lord of the Dance

I danced in the morning  
When the world was begun,  
And I danced in the moon  
And the stars and the sun,  
And I came down from heaven  
And I danced on the earth,  
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Chorus:

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,  
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.*

I danced for the scribe  
And the pharisee,  
But they would not dance  
And they wouldn't follow me.  
I danced for the fishermen,  
For James and John —  
They came with me  
And the Dance went on.

Chorus

I danced on the Sabbath  
And I cured the lame;  
The holy people  
Said it was a shame.  
They whipped and they stripped  
And they hung me on high,  
And they left me there  
On a Cross to die.

## Chorus

I danced on a Friday  
When the sky turned black  
It's hard to dance  
With the devil on your back.  
They buried my body  
And they thought I'd gone,  
But I am the Dance,  
And I still go on.

## Chorus

They cut me down  
And I leapt up high;  
I am the life  
That'll never, never die;  
I'll live in you  
If you'll live in me  
I am the Lord  
Of the Dance, said he.

## Chorus

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