

Welcome to the wedding of

ALISON GONNING &
RONALD SCRIMGEOUR

A service held on

SATURDAY 7TH OF SEPTEMBER, 2024

at 2 o'clock in the afternoon

St Leonard's Parish Church,

Lexden, Colchester, Essex.

Service conducted by

The Reverend Maggie Whiteman

THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE

Canon in D, Pachelbel

THE WELCOME & OPENING PRAYERS

The Revd Maggie Whiteman

HYMN

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.

Tune: Bunessan

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PREFACE

THE DECLARATIONS

THE COLLECT

BIBLE READING

1 Corinthians 13 Read by: Tom Scrimgeour

ADDRESS

The Revd Maggie Whiteman

HYMN

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 which 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.

Tune: Thaxted

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THE VOWS

THE PROCLAMATION

BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE

REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE

During the Registration the Choir will sing Amazing Grace

PRAYERS

The Revd Maggie Whiteman

The Dismissal

Mendelssohn's Wedding March

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK

The Revd Maggie Whiteman

St Leonard's Choir and Choirmistress Sarah Blake

Organist Simon Eavery

The Flower Arrangers

ALISON & RONALD

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