# THE PREFACE

### THE DECLARATIONS

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

**All:** We will.

#### FIRST READING

James Wheatley Sr and Jiří Mikolášek

And the Lord God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him." Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name. So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him. And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. And Adam said:

"This is now bone of my bones
And flesh of my flesh;
She shall be called Woman,
Because she was taken out of Man."

Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

Genesis 2:18-25 (New King James Version and Bible 21)

### **HYMN**

Now the green blade riseth
From the buried grain,
wheat that in the dark earth
many days has lain;
Love lives again,
that with the dead has been;
Love is come again,
like wheat that springeth green

In the grave they laid him,
Love by hatred slain,
thinking that never,
he would wake again,
laid in the earth
like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again,
like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter,
like the risen grain,
he that for three days
in the grave had lain;
quick from the dead,
my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again,
like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry,
grieving or in pain,
thy touch can call us
back to life again;
fields of our hearts,
that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again,
like wheat that springeth green.

## THE MARRIAGE

### SECOND READING

Sharon Wheatley and Iveta Kohoutová

Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.

Romans 12:9-16 (New King James Version and Bible 21)

### **SERMON**

### **HYMN**

I danced in the morning
when the world was begun,
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.

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:

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 high,
And they left me there
on a cross to die: