

## MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

Pièce d'Orgue - J. S. Bach

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme - J. S. Bach

Schmücke Dich, O Liebe Seele - J. S. Bach

## ENTRANCE OF THE BRIDAL PARTY

Prince of Denmark's March - J. Clarke

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

### HYMN

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

3 To all life thou givest - to both great and small;  
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
and wither and perish, but nought changeth thee.

4 Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
all laud we would render: O help us to see  
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

*W CHALMERS SMITH 1824 - 1908 NEH 377/CP 474*

### **THE FIRST READING**

'A Marriage' by Mark Twain, read by Sara Poulson

### **THE PREFACE AND DECLARATIONS**

*After Robert and Miranda have made their declarations, the minister asks the  
congregation:*

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

*The congregation responds:*

**We will.**

### **THE SECOND READING**

Ruth 1: 16-18 (King James Version), read by Christopher Poulson

### **THE ADDRESS**

## HYMN

Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesu, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation;  
enter every trembling heart.

2 Come, Almighty, to deliver,  
let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

3 Finish, then, thy new creation,  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation,  
perfectly restored in thee,  
changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love and praise.

*CHARLES WESLEY 1707 - 1788 NEH 408/P 5 16*

## THE MARRIAGE

## THE MARRIAGE BLESSING

### THE THIRD READING

From 'Jane Eyre' by Charlotte Brontë, read by Jill Bowden-Doyle

### THE PRAYERS

*Please join in the response*

Lord of life and love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

*The Prayers end with 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 REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE

*Music during the signing of the marriage document:*

Adagio e dolce from Trio Sonata No. 3 in D - J. S. Bach

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring - J. S. Bach