

THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE

Blooming Heather, Kate Rusby, played by Melegari String Quartet

THE WELCOME AND BIDDING PRAYER

The Revd Canon John Halkes

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.

*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 fisherman,
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 stipped
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

THE PREFACE

THE DECLARATIONS

Adam and Lizzie give their consent to one another, after which we all declare our support for them.

'Will you the family and friends of Elizabeth and Adam uphold them in their marriage now and in the years to come?'

(All) We will!

THE COLLECT

READING

A reading from 1 Corinthians 13, read by Linda Macgregor Mason

HYMN

'Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all Joy'

Lord of all hopefulness,
Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever childlike,
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.

THE MARRIAGE

The Vows
The giving of Rings
The Proclamation
Blessing of the Marriage

ADDRESS

HYMN

Guide Me O, Thou Great Redeemer

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain
whene the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises, songs and praises,
I will ever give to thee.
I will ever give to thee.

WITNESS OF THE MARRIAGE DOCUMENT

Music played by Melegari String Quartet

READING

By Alex Macgregor Mason

PRAYERS

The response to 'Lord of life and love' is
(All) Hear our prayer

Followed by

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BLESSING OF THE CONGREGATION

DEPARTURE OF THE BRIDE AND GROOM

'Concerning Hobbits' by Howard Shore, played by Melegari String Quartet.

Thank you for celebrating with us