

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.

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 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.

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

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

PREFACE

THE DECLARATIONS

THE COLLECT

READINGS

FIRST READING

An Irish Blessing, read by Mark Racklyeft

May your mornings bring joy and your evenings bring peace.

May your troubles grow few as your blessings increase.

May the saddest day of your future be no worse
than the happiest day of your past.

May your hands be forever clasped in friendship and your hearts joined
forever in love.

Your lives are very special, and God has touched you in many ways.

May his blessings rest upon you and fill all your coming days.

May joy and peace surround you both, contentment latch your door, and
happiness be with you now, and God bless you evermore.

May you live your life with trust, and nurture lifelong affection.

May your lifelong dreams come true for you, move ever that direction.

In good times and bad times, in sickness and health, may they know that
riches aren't needed for wealth. Help them face problems they'll meet on their
way—God bless this couple who marry today.

May they find peace of mind comes to all who are kind, may the rough times
ahead become triumphs in time, may their children be happy each day—God
bless this family who started today. As they go, may they know every love that
was shown, and as life it gets shorter may their feelings grow. Wherever they
travel, wherever they stay, God bless this couple who marry today.

SECOND READING

1st Corinthians Chapter 13, read by Sarah Coakes

if I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.

If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me.

For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.

But the greatest of these is love.

THE ADDRESS

HYMN

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising
Give me joy in my heart, I pray
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising
Keep me praising 'til the end of day

(Chorus) Sing hosanna, sing hosanna
Sing hosanna to the King of kings
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna
Sing hosanna to the King

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting
Give me peace in my heart, I pray
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting
Keep me resting 'til the end of day

Chorus

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving
Give me love in my heart, I pray
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving
Keep me serving 'til the end of day

Chorus

Give me light in my heart, keep me shining
Give me light in my heart, I pray
Give me light in my heart, keep me shining
Keep me shining 'til the end of day

Chorus