# READING TRUE FRIENDSHIP BY JUDY BIELICKI READ BY ANTONIA WOODHOUSE

It is often said that it is love that makes the world go round. However, without doubt.

it is friendship which keeps our spinning existence on an even keel.

True friendship provides so many of the essentials for a happy life — it is the foundation on which to build an enduring relationship, it is the mortar which bonds us

together in harmony, and it is the calm, warm protection we sometimes need when the world outside seems cold and chaotic.

True friendship holds a mirror to our foibles and failings, without destroying our sense

of worthiness. True friendship nurtures our hopes, supports us in our disappointments, and encourages us to grow to our best potential. Bride and Groom came together as friends. Today, they pledge to each other not only their love, but also the strength, warmth and, most importantly, the fun of true friendship.

# READING 1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-13 READ BY GWEN KNIGHTS

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.

### **ADDRESS**

### **HYMM**

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small All things wise and wonderful, 'Twas God that made them all Each little flower that opens, Each little bird that sings He made their glowing colors, And made their tiny wings

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small All things wise and wonderful, 'Twas God that made them all

The purple headed mountains, The rivers running by The sunset and the morning, That brightens up the sky

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small All things wise and wonderful, 'Twas God that made them all

The cold wind in the winter, The pleasant summer sun The ripe fruits in the garden, He made them every one

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small All things wise and wonderful, 'Twas God that made them all

He gave us eyes to see them, And lips that we might tell How great is the Almighty, Who has made all things well All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small All things wise and wonderful, 'Twas God that made them all

# THE MARRIAGE

## THE PRAYERS

## THE LORDS PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth,
As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that 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.

## REGISTRATION