Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast;
Let us all in thee inherit,
Let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore 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.

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 heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

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#### **PREFACE**

The minister reminds us of the meaning of Christian marriage.

## THE DECLARATIONS

The couple declare their wish to marry one another, and then the minister asks the congregation:

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

All respond:

We will.

## THE COLLECT

A prayer for the bride and groom.

#### **READINGS**

Song of Solomon 2:10-13; 8:6-7 read by Revd Katrina Jenkins Philippians 4:4-9 read by Revathi Pentapati 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 read by Daniel Bennett

#### THE ADDRESS

The minister reflects on the readings.

THE MARRIAGE

#### **HYMN**

Make me a channel of your peace

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

O master, grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console, To be understood, as to understand, To be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace,
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope,
Where there is darkness, only light,
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

O master, grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console, To be understood, as to understand, To be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving of ourselves that we receive,
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

#### **THE VOWS**

The couple make their vows to one another and seal their promises by exchanging rings. The minister proclaims that they are now husband and wife.

# THE BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE

The husband and wife kneel to receive God's blessing and at the end all reply:

## Amen.

### SIGNING OF THE MARRIAGE DOCUMENT

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#### **PRAYERS**

The minister leads us in prayer.

To the words, 'Lord of life and love' everyone responds: **Hear our prayer**.

At the end we all join in the Lord's Prayer.

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy Kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.