



ORDER OF SERVICE

YOU ARE WARMLY WELCOMED  
TO THE WEDDING CEREMONY OF

ELEANOR GRIFFITHS

*and*

THOMAS DA COSTA

SATURDAY 18th MAY 2024

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH | OMBERSLEY  
DROITWICH SPA | WORCESTERSHIRE

REVEREND: STEPHEN WINTER

**THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE**  
Young & Beautiful-Orchestra

**THE WELCOME**  
Stephen Winter

**HYMN: Dear Lord & Father of Mankind**

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways;  
re clothe us in our rightful mind,  
in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper reverence, praise.  
In simple trust like theirs who heard  
beside the Syrian sea  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word  
rise up and follow thee.  
O Sabbath rest by Galilee,  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love!  
Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of thy peace.  
Breathe through the heats of our desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm!

## **THE PREFACE & THE DECLARATIONS**

### *FIRST READING*

Blessing of the Hands  
read by Christina Suter

### *SECOND READING*

Your Walled Garden  
read by Graham Symes

## **THE ADDRESS**

## **THE VOWS & BLESSING**

### **HYMN: Jerusalem**

**And did those feet in ancient time  
Walk upon England's mountains green?  
And was the holy Lamb of God  
On England's pleasant pastures seen?**

**And did the Countenance Divine  
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?  
And was Jerusalem builded here  
Among these dark Satanic mills?**

**Bring me my bow of burning gold  
Bring me my arrows of desire  
Bring me my spear, O clouds unfold!  
Bring me my chariot of fire.**

**I will not cease from mental fight  
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand  
Till we have built Jerusalem  
In England's green and pleasant land.**

## **THE REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE**

Music by Sophie Stevens and George Barnes

Witnesses: Julie Small & Clare Bettridge

### **HYMN: I Vow to Thee my Country**

**I vow to thee, my country,  
all earthly things above  
entire and whole and perfect,  
the service of my love;  
the love that asks no question,  
the love that stands the test,  
that lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;  
the love that never falters,  
the love that pays the price,  
the love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.**

**And there's another country,  
I've heard of long ago  
most dear to them that love her,  
most great to them that know;  
we may not count her armies,  
we may not see her King;  
her fortress is a faithful heart,  
her pride is suffering;  
and soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,  
and her ways are ways of gentleness,  
and all her paths are peace.**

## **THE FINAL BLESSING**

### **THE DEPARTURE OF THE BRIDE AND GROOM**

Fleetwood Mac-Everywhere