


*Order of Service*  
for the wedding ceremony of



STEPHANIE NICOLE  
GARDINER  
*and*  
BENJAMIN JAMES GRAY

*15.06.2024*

*All Saints, Little Melton*

*Thank you so much for being here.*

## **THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE**

Arrival of the Queen of Sheba, by George Frederick Handel

### **THE WELCOME**

The Revd Martin Gray

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you  
and also with you

God of wonder and joy:  
grace comes from you,  
and you alone are the source of life and love.  
Without you, we cannot please you;  
without your love, our deeds are worth nothing.  
Send your Holy Spirit,  
and pour into our hearts  
that most excellent gift of love,  
that we may worship you now  
with thankful hearts  
and serve you always with willing minds;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **HYMN - We pledge to one another**

We pledge to one another,  
before the Lord above,  
entire and whole and perfect,  
this union of our love—  
a love that will be patient,  
a love that will be wise,  
that will not twist with envy,  
nor lose itself in lies;  
a love that will not falter  
a love to hold us fast,  
and bind us to each other  
as long as life shall last.

We pray that God will guide us  
through all the years to be,  
our lives be shaped by courage,  
hope and serenity.  
Through joy and celebration,  
through loneliness and pain,  
may loyalty, compassion  
and tenderness remain,  
that those who share the blessing  
of love that cannot cease  
may walk the paths of gentleness  
into the place of peace.

### **THE PREFACE**

### **THE DECLARATIONS**

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

**All:** We will.

### **THE COLLECT**

### **FIRST READING**

A reading from 1 Corinthians 13: 4-8, read by Rev Martin Gray

### **SECOND READING**

Maybe, Author Unknown, read by Victoria Hill

### **THE ADDRESS**

### **THE MARRIAGE**

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



**HYMN - 449**

**Love divine, all love excelling**

**THE PRAYERS FOR THE MARRIAGE**

**All:** 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

**HYMN - 167**

**Give me Joy in my Heart**

**THE BLESSING**

**THE REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE**

**THE DEPARTURE OF THE BRIDE AND GROOM**

Wedding March, by Felix Mendelssohn