## THE INTRODUCTION

# THE COLLECT

# **AN IRISH BLESSING**

Read by Laura Craig

# **ECCLESIASTES 4: 9-12**

Read by Fen Wong

# THE EPISTLE, 1 CORINTHINS 13: 4 - 7

Read by Lyndsey James-Williams

#### THE GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to John Chapter 15, verses 9-17

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### THE MARRIAGE

The newly married couple say
O God our Father,
we thank you for uniting our lives
and for giving us to each other in the fulfilment of love.
Watch over us at all times,
guide and protect us,
and give us faith and patience,
That, as we hold each other's hand in yours,
we may draw strength from you
and from each other;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

### AFFIRMATION BY THE PEOPLE

Will you the family and friends of Emilie and Rory support and encourage them in their marriage?

All: We will.

#### THE ACCLAMATIONS

Blessed are you, heavenly Father: All: You give joy to the bridegroom and the bride.

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus Christ: **All: You have brought new life to all your people.** 

Blessed are you, Holy Spirit of God: **All: You bring us together in love.** 

Blessed be the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: All: One God, to be praised forever. Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS

The couple pray:

God of tenderness and strength,
you have brought our paths together and led us to this day;
go with us now as we travel through good times,
through trouble or through change.
Bless our home, our partings and our meetings.
Make us worthy of each other's best,
and tender with each other's dreams,
trusting in your love in Jesus Christ.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER FADERVOR

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 643**

(v. 1, 2, 4, 5)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought in the day or the night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word, I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father, and I thy true heir; thou in me dwelling, and I in thy care.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise, thou mine inheritance through all my days; thou, and thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art!

High King of heaven, when the battle is done, grant heaven's joy to me, O bright heaven's sun, Christ of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.