

I danced for the scribe
And the pharisee,
But they would not dance
And they wouldn't follow me.
I danced for the fishermen,
For James and John –
They came with me
And the Dance went on;

I danced on the Sabbath
And I cured the lame;
The holy people
Said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped
And they hung me on high,
And they left me there
On a Cross to die;

I danced on a Friday
When the sky turned black –
It's hard to dance
With the devil on your back.
They buried my body
And they thought I'd gone,
But I am the Dance,
And I still go on;

They cut me down
And I leapt up high;
I am the life
That'll never, never die;
I'll live in you
If you'll live in me –
I am the Lord
Of the Dance, said he;

FIRST READING

Love Me When I'm Old by Bee Rawlinson
Read by Mary Swan (Gem's Godmother)

THE PREFACE

THE DECLARATIONS

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

All: We will

THE COLLECT

God our Father, from the beginning
you have blessed creation with abundant life.

Pour out your blessings upon Daniel and Gemma,
that they may be joined in mutual love and companionship,
in holiness and commitment to each other.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

SECOND READING

He Never Leaves The Seat Up by Anon
Read by Adam Stephenson

THIRD READING

Corinthians 13:4-8

Read by Magda Porritt (Dan's Grandma)

THE ADDRESS

THE VOWS

THE GIVING OF THE RINGS

THE PROCLAMATION

In the presence of God, and before this congregation,
Daniel and Gemma have made their marriage vows to each other.

They have declared their marriage by the joining of hands
and by the giving and receiving of rings.

I therefore proclaim that they are husband and wife.
Those whom God has joined together let no one put asunder.

THE BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE

Blessed are you, O Lord our God,
for you have created joy and gladness,
pleasure and delight, love, peace and fellowship.

Pour out the abundance of your blessing
upon Daniel and Gemma in their new life together.
Let their love for each other be a seal upon their hearts
and a crown upon their heads.

Bless them in their work and in their companionship;
awake and asleep, in joy and in sorrow, in life and in death.

Finally, in your mercy, bring them to that banquet
where your saints feast for ever in your heavenly home.

We ask this through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord of life and love.

All: Hear Our Prayer

**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

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?