The Declarations

After the declarations the minister says to the congregation:
Will you, the families and friends of Claire and James,
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 Claire and James, 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, All: Amen.

The Reading from Scripture:

St Paul's Letter to the Corinthian, chapter 13 v 1-13

The Address, Rev Brian McAvoy

The Vows and the Giving of Rings

The Proclamation

Hymn:

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.

Oh, 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.

Make me a channel of Your peace.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving to all men that we receive,
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

The Blessing and Registration of the Marriage

Music during the registration: "Love divine, all loves excelling."

A Reading by Jane Dixon.

Hymn:

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning.

Give me oil in my lamp, I pray

Give me oil in my lamp ,keep me burning,

Keep me burning till the break of day.

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, Sing hosanna to the King of Kings. Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, Sing hosanna to the King.

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising...

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting...

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving...

Prayers, including:

God of all grace and goodness, we thank you for this new family, and for everything parents and children have to share; by your Spirit of peace draw them together and help them to be true friends to one another.

Let your love surround them and your care protect them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All: Amen**

The prayers conclude with the Lord's Prayer said by 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:

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like thee His praise should sing?
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him, still the same forever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like, He tends and spares us
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels in the height, adore Him;
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise with us the God of grace!