He does not punish our misdeeds,
Or give our sins their just reward.
How great his love—as high as heaven—
Towards all those who fear the LORD!

As far as east is from the west,
So far his love has borne away
Our many sins and trespasses
And all the guilt that on us lay.
Just as a father loves his child,
So God loves those who fear his name.
For he remembers we are dust,
And well he knows our feeble frame.

#### THE MARRIAGE

# THE SIGNING OF THE REGISTER With a sung performance by Miss Anna Smith From the Squalor of a Borrowed Stable (Stuart Townend)

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#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Psalm 127 (ESV) - Pastor David Larmour

### PRAYER OF BLESSING FOR THE COUPLE

Pastor David Larmour

# HYMN Psalm 45:10-17

Daughter, incline your ear,
Consider well my call:
Put out of mind your father's house,
Forget your people all.

Your beauty then the King With great delight will see; Because He is your Lord, bow down Before him rev'rently.

Tyre's daughter has arrived
A costly gift has brought;
And by the wealthy of the land
Your favour now is sought.
The princess now awaits
Most glorious to behold,
And woven all throughout her gown
Are threads of precious gold.

In her embroidered gown
She's taken to the King;
To you her maiden friends are brought,
Companions following.
With gladness they are led,
As people celebrate;
They all approach the King with joy
Within his palace gate.

Then in your father's place
Your children all will stand,
And you will make them princes then
To rule throughout the land.
I'll cause your name to be
In every age renowned,
And so from peoples evermore
Your praises will abound.

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Ephesians 5:22-33 (ESV) - Pastor Michael Taylor

Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, because we are members of his body.

"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

## HYMN Psalm 128

How blessed are all who fear the LORD, Who walk the way that he has shown. Success and blessing will be yours; You'll eat the fruit that you have grown. Your wife will be a fruitful vine;
And round your table will be placed
Your children like young olive shoots.
Thus he who fears the LORD is blessed.

May you behold Jerus'lem's good; From Zion may God's blessing flow. Your children's children may you see. May God on Isr'el peace bestow!

#### **SERMON**

Pastor Michael Taylor

# HYMN The Sands of Time are Sinking

The sands of time are sinking,
The dawn of Heaven breaks;
The summer morn I've sighed for,
The fair, sweet morn awakes;
Dark, dark hath been the midnight,
But dayspring is at hand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Immanuel's land.

The King there in His beauty,
Without a veil is seen;
It were a well spent journey,
Though sev'n deaths lay between;