Registration of Marriage

Reckless Love, Cory Asbury Here As in Heaven: Elevation Worship So Will I (100 Billion X): Hillsong UNITED Our Father: Bethel Music, Jenn Johnson Whole Heart (Hold Me Now): Hillsong UNITED, TAYA

The Blessing / Dismissal

Procession of the Wedding Party: Spring from Four Seasons: Antonio Vivaldi

Bible verses

I Corinthians I3—Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful.

Song of Solomon 2: 10-13—A love poem between two poems

Matthew 5: I-10—Living a life of true happiness

Ephesians 5:21-33—Committing to each other

Wedding of Kieran Anderson & Sarah Vallance 2pm, September 24, 2022



Bride's Entrance Music: Canon in D

The Welcome

COME TO A WEDDING, come to a blessing, come on a day when happiness sings! Come rain or sun, come winter or summer, celebrate love and all that it brings.

Thanks for the love that holds us together parent and child, and lover and friend: thanks to the God whose love is our centre, source of compassion, knowing no end.

Love is the gift, and love is the giver, love is the gold that makes the day shine, love forgets self to care for the other, love changes life from water to wine.

Come to this wedding, asking a blessing for all the years that living will prove: health of the body, health of the spirit now to you both, we offer our love.

Preface

The Declarations

The Collect

Reading(s):

IN CHRIST ALONE my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save: Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied – For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain: Then bursting forth in glorious Day Up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine – Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand; Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen

Reading One (Biblical): | Corinthians 13

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor, and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil, but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. When I was a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me. Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Reading Two (Biblical): Song of Solomon 2:10-13// 8:6-7

"My beloved speaks and says to me: Arise, my love, my beautiful one, and come away, for behold, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree ripens its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my beautiful one, and come away." "Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm; for love is strong as death, passion fierce as the grave. Its flashes are flashes of fire, a raging flame. Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it. If one offered for love all the wealth of one's house, it would be utterly scorned." Reading Three: The Art of Marriage: Wilfred A. Peterson

Happiness in marriage is not something that just happens. A good marriage must be created. In marriage the little things are the big things. It is never being too old to hold hands. It is remembering to say "I love you" at least once a day. It is never going to sleep angry. It is at no time taking the other for granted; the courtship should not end with the honeymoon, it should continue through the years. It is having a mutual sense of values and common objectives. It is standing together facing the world. It is forming a circle of love that gathers the whole family. It is doing things for each other, not in the attitude of duty or sacrifice, but in the spirit of joy. It is speaking words of appreciation and demonstrating gratitude in thoughtful ways. It is not looking for perfection in each other. It is cultivating flexibility, patience, understanding and a sense of humour. It is having the capacity to forgive and forget. It is giving each other an atmosphere in which each can grow old. It is a common search for the good and the beautiful. It is establishing a relationship in which the independence is equal, dependence is mutual and the obligation is reciprocal. It is not only marrying the right partner; it is being the right partner.

Address

AMAZING GRACE! how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me; I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear, The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come; 'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there a thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first begun.

Marriage Ceremony: The Vows, The Giving of the Rings

The Proclamation

The Blessing of the Marriage