Order of Service



M and M

St. Chad's Church, Kirkby Date

Bridal March from "Lohengrin" by Wagner

Introduction

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and also with you

God of love, we thank you for the gift of marriage and for the joys it brings.

Bless us as we share in this wedding.

We thank you for the love which has brought N and N to each other and for their desire to share that love for the rest of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn

We gather here, we gather now, drawn by the love we know and share. We come to celebrate in our joy the union of this bridal pair. To them our hearts reach out with love, on them the light of heaven above shines down in grace abundant and free to bless them both eternally.

And we who join to wish them well, offer them both our love and prayer that they may walk in fullness of life the journey they have come to share. That they may know if storms come near that they have friends and family here for we commit ourselves to pray and love and cherish them each day.

The Preface and Declarations

The congregation will be asked

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

We will

Reading: 1 John 4.7-12

Read by N

Hymn

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.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

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.

The Marriage

The Signing of the Registers

The Prayers

The minister prays for N & N, their home and family and their life together.

The following response is used

Lord of life and love

Hear our prayer

The prayers continue with the Lords Prayer

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

Blessing

Wedding March by Mendelssohn