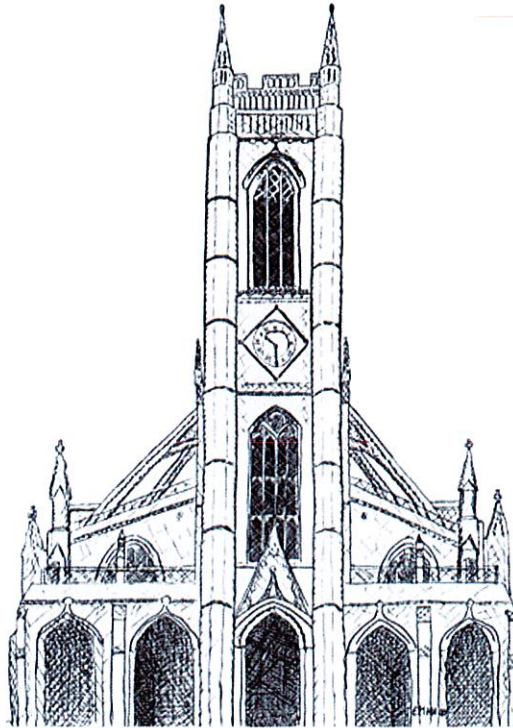


St Luke's Church  
Chelsea



A Service of Thanksgiving for  
the Marriage of

XXXXXXXXXX  
and  
YYYYYYYYYYYY

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2017  
12 noon

*At the Entrance of the Bride*

I'm Kissing You

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**The Welcome and Opening Prayer**

*The Revd Canon John Smith*

**Hymn**

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
Give me joy in my heart, I pray;  
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
Keep me praising 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 peace in my heart, keep me loving,  
Give me peace in my heart, I pray;  
Give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,  
Keep me loving 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 love in my heart, keep me serving,  
Give me love in my heart, I pray;  
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,  
Keep me serving 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 oil in my lamp, keep me burning,  
Give me oil in my lamp, I pray;  
Give my 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.  
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## The Preface

## The Collect

### First Reading

Song of Solomon

Chapter 2:10-13: 8: 6-7

*read by ??????*

My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away;  
For now 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 turtle-dove is heard in our land.  
The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance.  
Arise, my love, my fair 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.

### Second Reading

1 Corinthians 13

*read by ????????*

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

## The Address

*The Revd Emma Smith*

## Hymn

Come down, O love divine,  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let thy glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity  
mine outward vesture be,  
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;  
true lowliness of heart,  
which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace,  
till Love create a place  
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

## Affirmation of the Marriage Vows

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*During the affirmation, the minister asks the congregation:*

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

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*All*   **We will.**

## The Blessing of the Rings

## The Blessing of the Couple

## The Prayers

*concluding with*

### The Lord's 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

## Hymn

Guide me, O thou great redeemer,  
Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty,  
Hold me with thy powerful hand;  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven  
Feed me till I want no more;  
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through:



Strong deliverer, strong deliverer;  
Be thou still my strength and shield;  
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
    Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's destruction  
    Land me safe on Canaan's side:  
Songs of praises, songs of praises,  
    I will ever give to thee;  
    I will ever give to thee.

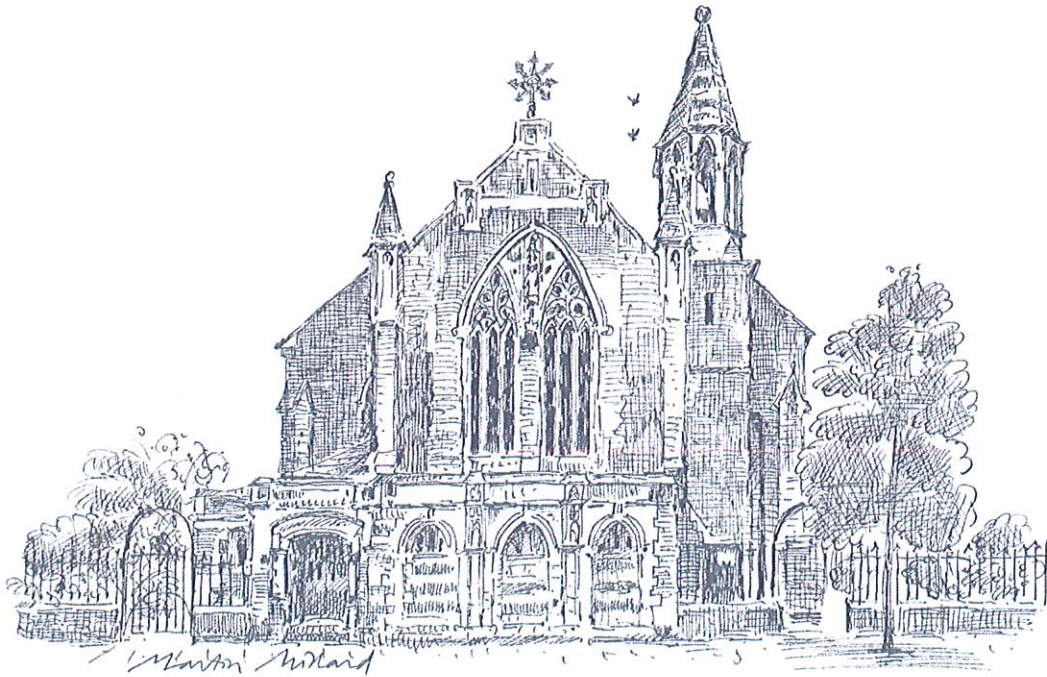
## **The Blessing**

### *Recessional*

Wedding March

*Felix Mendelssohn*

Christ Church  
Chelsea



A Service of Prayer and Dedication  
following the Marriage of

XXXXXXX  
and  
YYYYYYYY

16 June 2017  
5 pm

## **The Welcome and Opening Prayer**

*The Revd Prebendary Dr Brian Leathard*

### **Hymn**

Mine eyes have seen the glory  
of the coming of the Lord;  
he is trampling out the vintage  
where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
he hath loosed the fateful lightning  
of his terrible swift sword;  
his truth is marching on:

*Glory, glory, hallelujah!*  
*Glory, glory, hallelujah!*  
*Glory, glory, hallelujah!*  
*His truth is marching on.*

I have seen him in the watchfires  
of a hundred circling camps,  
they have builded him an altar  
in the evening dews and damps;  
I can read his righteous sentence  
by the dim and flaring lamps;  
his day is marching on:

He has sounded forth the trumpet  
that shall never call retreat;  
he is sifting out the hearts of men  
before his judgment seat;  
O be swift, my soul, to answer him;  
be jubilant, my feet!  
Our God is marching on:

In the beauty of the lilies  
Christ was born across the sea,  
with a glory in his bosom  
that transfigures you and me;  
as he died to make men holy,  
let us die to make men free,  
while God is marching on:



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## The Collect

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Its flashes are flashes of fire, a raging flame.  
Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it.  
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## Second Reading

An Extract from "A Farewell to Arms"  
Ernest Hemingway  
*Read by ?????????*

At night, there was the feeling that we had come home, feeling no longer alone, waking in the night to find the other one there, and not gone away; all other things were unreal. We slept when we were tired and if we woke the other one woke too so one was not alone. Often a man wishes to be alone and a woman wishes to be alone too and if they love each other they are jealous of that in each other, but I can truly say we never felt that. We could feel alone when we were together, alone against the others. We were never lonely and never afraid when we were together.

## The Address

*The Revd Prebendary Dr Brian Leathard*

### Hymn

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
    forgive our foolish ways!  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
    in purer lives thy service find,  
    in deeper reverence, praise;  
    in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
    beside the Syrian sea,  
    the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word,  
    rise up and follow thee;  
    rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
    O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
    the silence of eternity  
    interpreted by love!  
    interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
    till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
    and let our ordered lives confess  
    the beauty of thy peace;  
    the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
    thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
    O still, small voice of calm;  
    O still, small voice of calm.

## The Dedication and Blessing of the Rings

*During the dedication, the minister asks the congregation:*

Will you, their families and friends,  
support and uphold Charles and Jane in their marriage,  
now and in the years to come?

*All*    We will.

## The Prayers

*concluding with*

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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

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,  
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:  
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,  
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;  
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,  
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,  
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;  
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;  
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;  
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,  
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

## The Blessing

## Recessional

Toccata from Organ Symphony No 5

*Charles-Marie Widor*