When Marriage Banns Are Told

Adapted from a song by David Jackson To be sung to the tune Repton (Dear Lord and Master of Mankind) by Sir Charles Parry

The summer is a time to pause Before the winter's cold And wheat is grown on farmer's field Abundant crops about to yield While marriage banns are told While marriage banns are told The world is like a stormy sea That batters at our peace But sheltered by the family And friends we rise triumphantly Until the torrents cease Until the torrents cease Let marriage be a lasting bond Between a man and wife Their children, friends and family The wider world community A worship then of life A worship then of life



The Celtic Benediction

Deep peace of the running wave to you Deep peace of the flowing air to you Deep peace of the quiet earth to you Deep peace of the shining stars to you Deep peace of the gentle night to you Moon and stars pour their healing light on you Deep peace of love, the love of the world to you Deep peace of love to you

Order of Service



The Wedding of Emma Louise Shore and Scott Anthony Massara



The Unitarian Chapel, Kendal 2 p.m. Saturday 18th July 2009

Officiant: The Reverend Celia Cartwright

> Organist: Ms Jo Rogers

Singers: The Lakes Ensemble Wendy Sharrock (mezzo) Tracie Penwarden (soprano) Gill Allen (pianist)

Order of Service

- Entrance of the Bride: Wedding March from Lohengrin by Wagner
- Welcome by Rev Celia Cartwright
- Candle Ceremony part 1 during which The Lakes Ensemble will sing As Long As The Moon Can Shine
- This Day Confirms a Union to be sung by the congregation
- Address
- Declarations and Affirmations
- Extract from Jane Eyre: to be read by Nicola Broady and Cathy-Ann Davies
- The Marriage Ceremony
 - the exchange of vows
 - the exchange of rings
- Sharing the wine cup
- Candle Ceremony part 2 during which The Lakes Ensemble will sing The Celtic Benediction
- The Announcement of Marriage
- When Marriage Banns Are Told to be sung by the congregation
- An Apache Blessing to be read by Alan Shore
- Closing Words
- Signing the Register Music from The Lakes Ensemble
- The Bridal Procession to the Wedding March from A Midsummer's Night's Dream by Mendelssohn

As Long as the Moon Can Shine

By Mike Batt

I must have known that it existed but I couldn't quite conceive it, I was always the loser in affairs of the heart, Well, you know how when you find something that you want, you don't believe it, No you can't quite believe it when the good times start.

I used to think of love as just a dream that disappears, But you've taught me more tonight than I have learned in all those years.

> As long as the moon can keep on shining, And the sun keeps hanging in the sky, No-one can take what flows between us, No-one alive. As long as the moon can keep on shining, And the years keep rolling slowly by, You'll be a friend of mine, As long as the moon can shine.

Some people search for people, and some people search for freedom, And some search for nothing but the thrill of the chase; Well you know sometimes you search for things just to find that you don't need them, Or you search for the right things in the wrong kind of place.

I used to think of love as just a promise people make, Or a game that people play, or just a risk that people take.

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This Day Confirms a Union

By Peter Albraith with added stanzas by Don Shore To be sung to the tune "We plough the fields and scatter" by Johann Schulz

This day confirms a union, an act of heart and mind And we are met to witness the promises that bind. A binding that brings freedom to care and serve and give To share in thought and action that love may grow and live

> Witness Scott and Emma Marrying here today Let's ring the bell and wish them well Then send them on their way

This day confirms a union from which each may gain power To live a life of courage, yet tender as a flower. Two lives of peace and passion, two lives of work and joy Which joined today before us, may all that's good employ

> Quite soon, Scott and Emma, You'll make your marriage vow So say it loud and make us proud To be here with you now

This day confirms a union, it is a day of hope A day to be remembered when it is hard to cope. So may these two in good times and times of trouble prove That partnerships will triumph, sustained by lasting love

> We wish Scott and Emma A long and happy life With all the joys; yes all the joys Of a husband and wife



Extract from Jane Eyre

by Charlotte Bronte

I know what it is to live entirely for and with what I love best on earth.

I hold myself supremely blest--blest beyond what language can express; because I am my husband's life as fully is he is mine.

No woman was ever nearer to her mate than I am: ever more absolutely bone of his bone and flesh of his flesh.

I know no weariness of my husband's society: he knows none of mine, any more than we each do of the pulsation of the heart that beats in our separate bosoms; consequently, we are ever together.

To be together is for us to be at once as free as in solitude, as gay as in company.

We talk, I believe, all day long: to talk to each other is but a more animated and an audible thinking.

All my confidence is bestowed on him, all his confidence is devoted to me; we are precisely suited in character--perfect concord is the result.

An Apache Blessing

Now you will feel no rain, for each of you will be the shelter for each other.

Now you will feel no cold, for each of you will be the warmth for the other.

Now you are two persons, but there is only one life before.

Treat yourselves and each other with respect, and remind yourselves often of what brought you together.

Give the highest priority to the tenderness, gentleness and kindness that your connection deserves.

When frustration, difficulty and fear assail your relationship - as they threaten all relationships at one time or another - remember to focus on what is right between you, not just the part which seems wrong.

In this way, you can ride out the storms when clouds hide the face of the sun in your lives remembering that even if you lose sight of it for a moment, the sun is still there.

And if each of you takes responsibility for the quality of your life together, it will be marked by abundance and delight.

Go now to your dwelling place to enter into the days of your life together and may your days be good and long upon the earth.