

THE MARRIAGE OF
JANET LOUISE HOWSON
WITH
STEPHEN JOHN BRYSON



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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, KIRK ELLA



For roughly a thousand years the people of Kirk Ella have met together in this building to celebrate the beginning of a new marriage or the birth of a child or the loss of someone dearly loved.

We're celebrating today and joining in with a grand tradition that stretches back through ten centuries.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Entrance

Minuet II | Handel

Welcome and Opening Prayer

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

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down:
Fix in us your humble dwelling,
All your faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, you are all compassion,
Boundless love that makes us whole;
Visit us with your salvation,
Enter every trembling soul.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all your grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more your temple leave.
You we would be always blessing,
Serve you as your hosts above,
Pray, and praise you without ceasing,
Glory in your perfect love.

Finish then your new creation:
Pure and sinless let us be;
Let us see your great salvation,
Perfect in eternity:
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
There to cast our crowns before you,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

C Wesley (1707-1788)

Marriage

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

All: We will.

There is a higher throne
than all this world has known,
Where faithful ones from every tongue
will one day come.
Before the Son we'll stand,
made faultless through the Lamb;
believing hearts find promised grace:
Salvation comes.

Hear heaven's voices sing,
their thunderous anthem rings
through emerald courts and sapphire skies,
their praises rise.
All glory, wisdom, power, strength,
thanks and honour are to God, our King who reigns on high
forever more.

And there we'll find our home,
our life before the throne;
we'll honour Him in perfect song
where we belong.
He'll wipe each tear-stained eye,
as thirst and hunger die;
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd King:
we'll reign with Him

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Bible Reading – Genesis 2.20-25

20But for Adam no suitable helper was found. 21So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and closed up the place with flesh.

22Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

23The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man."

24For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.

25The man and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame. (NIV)

The Address

'Jesus is Lord' - the cry that echoes through creation;
Resplendent power, eternal Word, our Rock.
The Son of God, the King whose glory fills the heavens, Yet bids
us come to taste this living Bread.

Jesus is Lord - whose voice sustains the stars and planets, Yet in
His wisdom laid aside His crown.
Jesus the Man, who washed our feet, who bore our suffering,
Became a curse to bring salvation's plan.

Jesus is Lord - the tomb is gloriously empty!
Not even death could crush this King of love!
The price is paid, the chains are loosed, and we're forgiven,
And we can run into the arms of God.

'Jesus is Lord' - a shout of joy, a cry of anguish,
As He returns, and every knee bows low.
Then every eye and every heart will see His glory,
The Judge of all will take His children home.

Prayers

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

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.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won;
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes where Thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.

No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life;
Life is nought without Thee: aid us in our strife; Make us more
than conquerors, through Thy deathless love: Bring us safe
through Jordan to Thy home above.

Edmond Budry (1854-1932) tr. R.Birch Hoyle (1875-1939)

Blessing and Signing of the Registers

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