

Saint Matthew's Church

Blackmoor and Whitehill

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SOME GUIDANCE ON CHOOSING MUSIC FOR YOUR WEDDING

Suggested music for the entrance of the bride

Triumphant style:

Bridal March	Wagner
Trumpet Voluntary	J Clarke
Trumpet Tune	Purcell
Hornpipe	Handel
Overture (Royal Fireworks)	Handel
Queen of Sheba	Handel
March from Scipio	Handel
Minuet II (Royal Fireworks)	Handel

More graceful style:

Canon in D	Pachelbel
Prelude from Te Deum	Charpentier
Jesu joy of man's desiring	Bach
Lascia Ch'io Pianga (from Rinaldo)	Handel
Air on a G string	Bach
Largo	Handel
Air (from Water Music)	Handel
Morning (Peer Gynt)	Grieg
Glasgow Love Theme (Love Actually)	Craig

During the signing of the register the organist will play pieces of their own choice unless there is something specific that you request. This can be modern song tunes or classical music.

Contemporary suggestions for during the signing of the register (depending on the organist):

Balcony Scene (Romeo and Juliet)	Craig Armstrong
Glasgow Love Theme (Love Actually)	Craig Armstrong
Portuguese Love Theme	Carlos Marques
A thousand years	Christina Perri
You raise me up	Rolf Lovland / Brendan Graham (sung by Westlife)
Morning	Grieg
Air (Water Music)	Handel
Etude in E major (variation on)	Chopin
I Giorni	Ludovico Einaudi

Suggested music for the final wedding procession

Wedding March (A Midsummer's Night Dream)	Mendelssohn
Trumpet Voluntary	J Clarke
Trumpet Tune	Purcell
Prelude from Te Deum	Charpentier
Hornpipe	Handel
March from 'Scipio'	Handel
Arrival of the Queen of Sheba	Handel
Allegro (La Rejouissance from Royal Fireworks)	Handel
Minuet II (from Royal Fireworks)	Handel

NB. Toccata by Widor is **not** an option on our organ. Apologies if you had hoped to request this piece.

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You may wish to discuss a piece not listed above. If so, please speak with me. Some modern songs can be played on the organ- please discuss. A recording can also be played – please speak with the priest regarding this as well as the organist.

In all cases, you must speak with the organist to confirm your choices. The earlier this is done in your preparations, the better! This is to avoid any disappointment.

Some suggested hymns / songs (but certainly not exclusive!)

All things bright and beautiful
Amazing grace
Be still for the presence of the Lord
Be thou my vision
Bind us together, Lord
Come to a wedding (tune ‘Morning has broken’)
Give me joy in my heart
Guide me O thou great Redeemer
Here is love, vast as the ocean
I danced in the morning (Lord of the dance)
Jerusalem
Lead us heavenly Father, lead us
Lord Jesus Christ (Living Lord)
Lord of all hopefulness
Lord the light of you love is shining (Shine Jesus shine)
Love divine, all loves excelling
Make me a channel of your peace
Morning has broken
O Lord my God (How great thou art)
One more step along the world I go
Praise my soul the King of heaven
Praise to the Lord, the almighty
Seek ye first the kingdom of God
The King of love my shepherd is
We pledge to one another (tune ‘I vow to thee my country’)

Proof reading

I am happy to **proof read** an electronic version of your order of service ideally in ‘Word’ format before you go to print to ensure composers are spelt correctly and that hymns are laid out correctly. It is easy to download hymn words off the internet but sometimes these are from an American version and do not always fit the familiar tune and are not what everyone will be expecting. Again, I can advise. For any other advice on your order of service, please speak with the priest organising your wedding.

Please ensure that any pre-recorded music is discussed with the priest and that I am informed. Check in advance that the actual recording works when played on the church sound system. USB stick is best.

If your wedding is to be recorded, please note that there is an additional charge for the organist to cover the pre-performance payment for when the video is subsequently shown. There is a separate information sheet on this available.

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