

# HYMN FOR INFANT BAPTISM

Alternative tune: Epiphany

REBECCA (11.10.11.10 dactyllic)



1. We are Christ's family, joyfully meeting  
Here before God that His name be adored:  
Into our fellowship lovingly greeting  
One *[these]* small new member*[s]*, to follow the Lord.

2. Christ be your little one's *[ones']* lifelong supporter,  
Keeping her *[him, them]* safe in the light of your face.  
Pour out your Spirit in baptismal water,  
That from her *[his, their]* sins she *{he, they}* be saved by your grace.

3. Signed with the cross as the mark of her *[his, their]* calling,  
May she *[he, they]* go forth to the work that God wills.  
Give her *[him, them]* true wisdom and keep her *[him, them]* from falling,  
Fighting for Christ 'gainst the world and its ills.

\*4. Now called a Christian by this solemn naming,  
In this *[these]* small heart*[s]* Jesus kindles a spark.  
See, in the glow of the candlelight flaming,  
How Christ brought light to a world that was dark.

5. Send, Lord, your blessing, your grace and salvation  
On those who vow in this *[these]* little one's *[ones']* name:  
Parent and child and the whole congregation:  
Son, Spirit, Father, forever the same!

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This hymn, written for a little girl, may be adapted for male and multiple baptisms, using the appropriate words in square brackets. The starred verse is for use if the service includes the giving of a lighted candle.