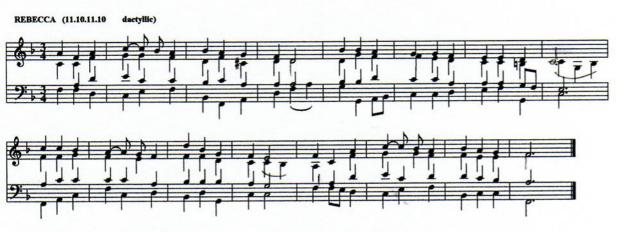
HYMN FOR INFANT BAPTISM

Alternative tune: Epiphany



- 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.