

## RITUAL CHORAL SERIES

for Remy Reign Yarboro

# Welcome, Child of God

Orin Johnson

**Keyboard**

**INTRO** *Grazioso* (♩ = ca. 102)

C Fadd9 G C F Gsus4 G

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Baptism



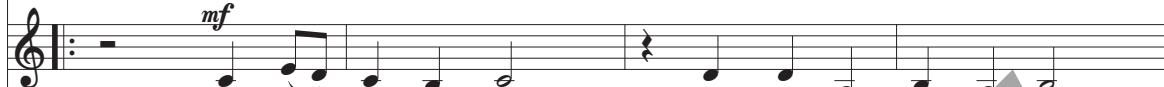
## VERSES 1, 2

## Melody

*mf*

1. Wel-come, wel - come, child of God! Love Di-vine has brought you here.  
 2. Cleansed of sin, O child of God, Here a-mong us you be - long.

## Harmony (Vs. 2 only)

*mf*

2. Cleansed, O child of God, a - mong us you be - long.

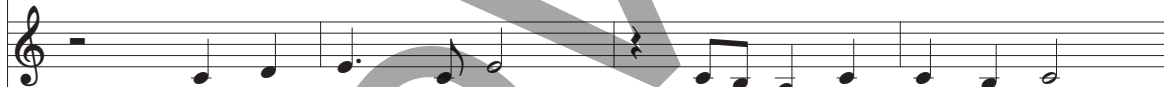
Chord progression for Verse 2:

C Fadd9 G C Dm7 G F/G G

Piano accompaniment for Verse 2. It consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a grand staff. The notes are: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4.



1. God has claimed you, called your name, Washed you in the wa - ter clear.  
 2. One in faith we share God's love: Hearts are warm and spir - its strong.



2. One, we share God's love: Hearts - warm and spir - its strong.

Chord progression for Verse 2:

C G/B Am Em F Gsus4 G C

Piano accompaniment for Verse 2. It consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a grand staff. The notes are: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4.

Chord progression for Verse 2:

F Gsus4 G Em7 Asus4 A

*cresc.* *dim.* *cresc.*

Piano accompaniment for Verse 2. It consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a grand staff. The notes are: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4.

## VERSE 3

**Descant** *f*

3. God makes all things new, and brought you bless-ings bright.

**Melody** *f*

3. God, who still makes all things new, Bathed you, brought you bless-ings bright.

D Gadd9 A D Em7 A G/A A

3. Wel-come, wel - come \_ child of God, Filled with won - der,

3. Wel - come, wel - come, child of God, Filled with won - der,

D A/C# Bm F#m G

*rit. al fine*

3. joy, and light.

*rit. al fine*

3. joy, and light.

Asus4 A D G Asus4 A A7 D

*rit. al fine* *dim.* *mf*

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(Guitar/Vocal)

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*mf* C Fadd9 G C F Gsus4 G

(Kbd)

**VERSES 1, 2**

C Fadd9 G C Dm7 G F/G G

1. Wel - come, wel - come, child \_\_\_ of God! Love Di - vine has brought you here.  
2. Cleansed of sin, O child \_\_\_ of God, Here a - mong us you be - long.

C G/B Am Em F Gsus4 G C

1. God has claimed you, called your name, Washed you in the wa - ter clear.  
2. One in faith we share God's love: Hearts are warm and spir - its strong.

F Gsus4 G Em7 Asus4 A

**VERSE 3**

*f* D Gadd9 A D Em7 A G/A A

3. God, who still makes all \_\_\_ things new, Bathed you, brought you bless - ings bright.

D A/C# Bm F#m G Asus4 A D

3. Wel - come, wel - come, child of God, Filled with won - der, joy, and light.

G Asus4 A A7 D *mf*

*rit. al fine*

# Welcome, Child of God

SOLO INSTRUMENT in C (FLUTE)

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INTRO *Grazioso* (♩ = ca. 102)

*mf*

VERSES 1, 2

*mf*

VERSE 3

*f*

*rit. al fine*

*mf*

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Note: This solo instrument part is intended for use with the concertato version; it is not compatible with the hymn version.

## Composer Notes

When my wife and I were asked to be godparents to her cousin's daughter, I began to ponder what message, what thoughts, what desires we as Church might want to share with someone newly baptized—especially a young person. While our newest goddaughter won't be able to fully receive and understand the text of this song of welcome for some years, it's written, of course, for the whole Christian community as well.

The music is intentionally simple and joyful, and the piece can work as either a congregational piece at the conclusion of a Baptism or as an approachable anthem for a children's choir or an adult choir of limited resources. The text cheerfully welcomes the newly baptized as one called by God, bathed and blessed, and as one who belongs in a faithful community of love, warmth, and strength.

—*Orin Johnson*

Preview

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(Hymn Version)

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VERSES *Grazioso* (♩ = ca. 102)

Melody

1. Wel - come, wel - come, child of God! Love Di - vine has  
 2. Cleansed of sin, O child of God, Here a - mong us  
 3. God, who still makes all things new, Bathed you, brought you

C Fadd9 G C Dm7

Keyboard

1. brought you here. God has claimed you, called your name, Washed you in the  
 2. you be - long. One in faith we share God's love: Hearts are warm and  
 3. bless - ings bright. Wel - come, wel - come child of God, Filled with won - der,

G F/G G C G/B Am Em F

1. wa - ter clear.  
 2. spir - its strong.  
 3. joy, and light.

Gsus4 G C F Gsus4 G C

## Assembly Edition

### WELCOME, CHILD OF GOD

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1. Wel - come, wel - come, child of God! Love Di - vine has
2. Cleansed of sin, O child of God, Here a - mong us
3. God, who still makes all things new, Bathed you, brought you



1. brought you here. God has claimed you, called your name,
2. you be - long. One in faith we share God's love:
3. bless - ings bright. Wel - come, wel - come, child of God.



1. Washed you in the wa - ter clear.
2. Hearts are warm and spir - its strong.
3. Filled with won - der, joy, and light.

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