

# *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

*May 25, 2025*



*Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church*

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# Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church

## Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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*To all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church opens its arms and bids you **welcome!***

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GATHERING

#### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

In the name of ✝ the One  
who was, who is, and who is to come.

**Amen.**

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,  
and called to live the baptized life,  
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

*Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.*

Holy God,  
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that make a people your own,  
that restore to wholeness,  
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that strengthen believers

and give new life to beloved servants of your church;  
waters that extend your boundless love  
and cross barriers of our own making.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that open the hearts of believers  
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;  
waters that set your people on a new path,  
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

**make us one as you are one.**

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,  
that our every day is shaped by these waters  
that give us our very lives in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

## **GATHERING SONG *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* (ELW 834)**

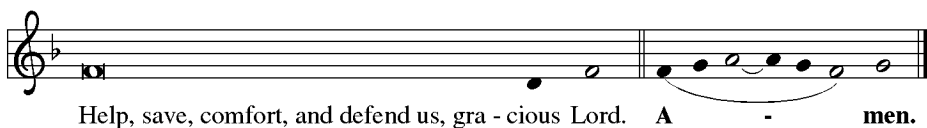
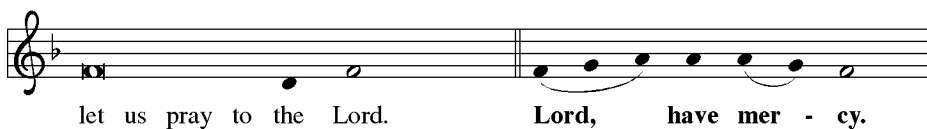
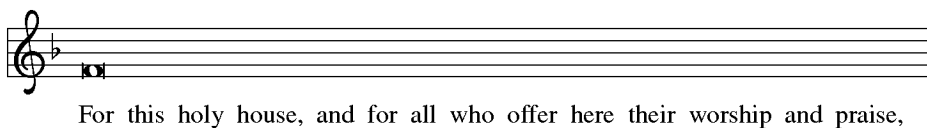
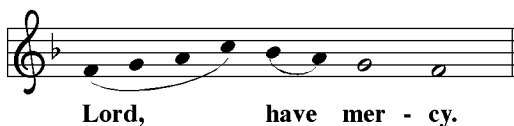
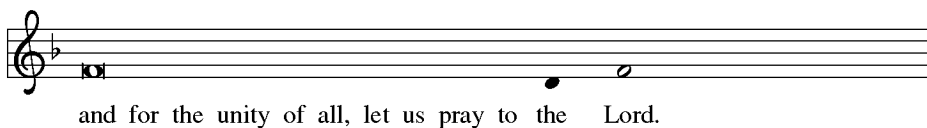
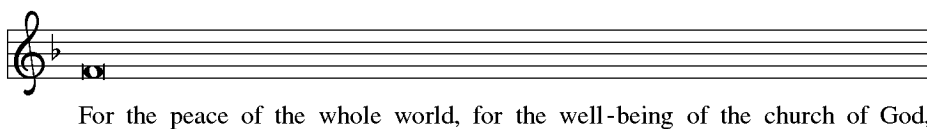
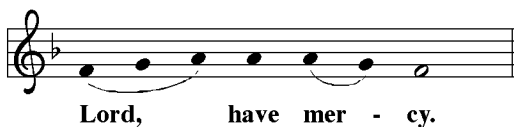
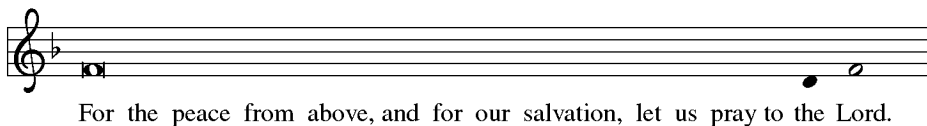
## **GREETING**

*During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE



# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

## WORD

### FIRST READING: Acts 16:9-15

*The reading may be announced:*

A reading from Acts.

*A vision compels Paul to move his ministry into Greece. There he meets Lydia, an important person in the business community, whose heart has been opened by God to receive the gospel. Her conversion and baptism provide the impetus for the founding of the church at Philippi.*

<sup>9</sup> During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” <sup>10</sup> When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

<sup>11</sup> We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup> and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. <sup>13</sup> On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. <sup>14</sup> A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup> When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.

*The reading may be concluded:*

The word of the Lord.

*The assembly responds:*

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: Psalm 67

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy. (*Ps. 67:4*)

<sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to | us and bless us;  
may the light of God's face | shine upon us.

<sup>2</sup> **Let your way be known | upon earth,  
your saving health a- | mong all nations.**

<sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise | you, O God;  
let all the | peoples praise you.

<sup>4</sup> **Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the na- | tions on earth. R**

<sup>5</sup> Let the peoples | praise you, O God;  
let all the | peoples praise you.

<sup>6</sup> **The earth has brought | forth its increase;  
God, our own | God, has blessed us.**

<sup>7</sup> May God | give us blessing,  
and may all the ends of the earth | stand in awe. **R**

## SECOND READING: Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5

*The reading may be announced:*

A reading from Revelation.

*John's vision of a new Jerusalem coming out of heaven provides continuity with God's past actions. Yet in this new city, God's presence replaces the temple, and the glory of God and the Lamb supplants sun and moon.*

<sup>10</sup> And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

<sup>22</sup> I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. <sup>25</sup> Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup> But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

<sup>22:1</sup> Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> Nothing

accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; <sup>4</sup> they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

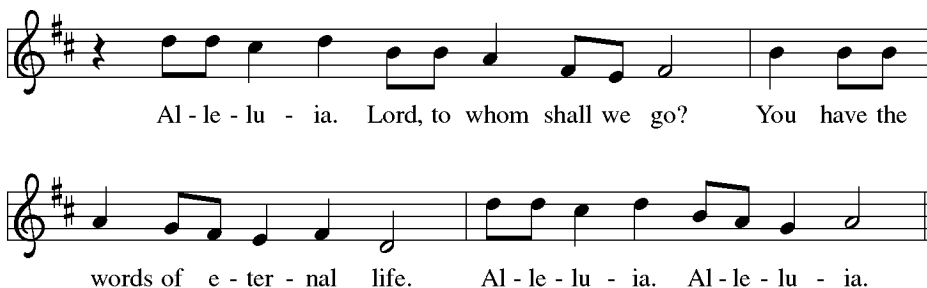
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The word of the Lord.

*The assembly responds:*

Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL: John 14:23-29

*The gospel is announced.*

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*As Jesus talks of returning to the Father, he promises to send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will teach Jesus' followers and remind them of all that Jesus taught. Even more, those in whom God makes a home will experience a peace that overcomes fear.*

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

<sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup> “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup> You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father



is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.”

*The gospel concludes:*

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *Holy Spirit, Truth Divine* (ELW 398)

## **APOSTLES CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world,  
and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

Unite your people with communities of faith throughout the world. Further cooperation between people of different faith traditions and bless our non-Christian neighbors, that we learn and grow in deeper relationship. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Bless the earth with fresh water, clean air, and rich soil. Nurture growing crops and encourage communities developing sustainable farming practices. Help us to live in balance and harmony with your good creation. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Reconcile nations and communities suffering from violence and conflict. Protect refugees, asylum-seekers, and all who flee their homes seeking safety and security. Make all nations safe for both migrants and residents. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Sustain all who are in need, especially individuals and families struggling with trauma or addiction. Support caregivers, especially nurses, doctors, counselors, and social workers. Come alongside all who are ill or struggling (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

This Memorial Day weekend, we remember all who have died in military service. Soothe loved ones who mourn, and strengthen support systems for veterans and their families. Bring peace among nations, that war and conflict around the world might cease. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We give you thanks for all your saints raised to new life in Christ. Gather us, with them, into the peace only you can give. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name,**

**thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;**

and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## PRAYER

## MUSICAL SELECTION

### OFFERING

### Create in Me a Clean Heart *Offering Song*

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take  
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

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## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Risen One,  
you have gathered us together  
along with these gifts we bring.  
Come among us again,  
breathe your life into us,  
and enliven us,  
that we may live as your risen body in the world.  
**Amen.**

## CLOSING OF SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR & RECOGNITION OF TEACHERS

### SENDING

#### BLESSING

The triune God,  
who was, who is, and who is to come,  
Sovereign, ✝ Savior, and Spirit,  
light your way with resurrection dawn,  
now and always.  
**Amen.**

#### SENDING SONG *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* (ELW 815)

#### DISMISSAL

The worship has ended, let the service begin.  
Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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## ***DINKEY MEMORIAL ANOUNCEMENTS***

***May 25, 2025***

***The Altar Flowers*** are not sponsored today.

***The Bulletins*** are sponsored today by Irene Wenner in memory of Florence Wenner.

Flower and bulletin charts for **2025** are on the bulletin board above the stairs. You may either sign up on the charts or by calling the office at 610-377-4242. It is appreciated if you pay for your sponsorship by the end of the month that you have sponsored. **All weeks are open for the Memorial Bowl. It is very important for flower sponsors to return the cans and plastic gold bowls that they take the flowers home in. Thank you very much for your cooperation.**

### ***Office Hours:***

Friday, Saturday 9:00- 2:00  
(610)377-4242

### ***The Week Ahead:***

Today	9:00AM	6th Sunday of Easter Worship
	10:15AM	Last day of Sunday School
	12:30PM	Confirmation (D)
Tuesday	6:00PM	Ladies Aid
	6:30PM	175 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary meeting
Wednesday	9:00AM	Morning Prayer
Thursday	9:30 AM	Bible Study
	6:30PM	Choir
Sunday	9:00AM	7th Sunday of Easter Worship

### ***HAPPY BIRTHDAY May 25 to May 31***

05/25 Caleb Brown

05/25 Scott Klotz

05/25 Nicole Schminkey

05/25 Mary Wambold

05/26 Harold Schafer Jr

05/28 Luke Diedel

05/28 Zachary Goodhile

05/28 Corrine Schlier

05/29 Jared Oswald

05/31 Isabella Mertz

**2025 Flower & Bulletin Chart:** The flower and bulletin charts for 2025 are on the bulletin board at the top of the stairs for anyone interested in sponsoring a date. The cost to sponsor is \$25 for flowers and \$13 for bulletins.

**Giant Gift Cards:** If you would like to purchase any Giant Gift Cards please see Kathy Steigerwalt. We receive 5% from each gift card sold.

**Fundraising:** Dinkey is selling Streak free cloths; \$5 each. Please contact Jan in the office if interested.

**Fundraising:** Dinkey is selling Rita's cards for 10% off your purchase, cost is \$5.00. Please see Karen Schleicher (610)390-1125.

**Fermenting our Faith:** Join us on May 28, 2025 at 7:00 PM at CIRCA 1898 to explore our faith together in a relaxed format.

**Cookbook:** The fundraising team would like to have your favorite recipe to put together a Dinkey Memorial cookbook. Please give the recipe with your name on it to Karen Schleicher or drop off at the office by Sunday, June 1, 2025. There will be a section for Breakfast, Appetizers, Beverages, Soups, Salads, Vegetables, Main Dishes, Game, Breads, Rolls, Desserts, Miscellaneous. Sorry, but we can't accept recipes from cookbooks.

**Vacation Bible School:** Come join us June 23, 2025 to June 25, 2025 from 6:00-8:30PM for a SCUBA adventure. Ages 3 and up are welcome. Please register by calling the office (610)377-4242 by June 13, 2025 so supplies can be ordered.

**Graduates:** If you know of someone that is graduating in the next few weeks, please let the office know. We will have Graduate Recognition Day on June 15, 2025. We would also like information on any students enrolled in higher education, where they are attending, their major, etc.

**Scholarships:** Scholarship applications for anyone attending college or trade school in Fall are needed by June 30, 2025. The scholarship recipients will be announced in mid-July and the award certificates will be presented on July 20, 2025. Scholarship applications are on the Dinkey website for anyone interested.

**Ben Salem UCC:** Ben Salem will be having their VBS from June 16- June 20, 2025 from 6:00-8:00 PM. The theme will be “Treasured”.

***MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM OR ASSOCIATED WITH DINKEY MEMORIAL***

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***HOMEBOUND MEMBERS***

Tess Hinger	Debbie Meckel	Alice Scitney
Ruth Keck	Gordon Scherer	Debbie Strohl

***SICK/HOSPITALIZED/SPECIAL NEEDS MEMBERS AND FRIENDS***

Alexis	Joseph Gorman	Kenny Schleicher
Faith Beck	Sonny Hack	Lukas Schleicher
Arlene Bisbing	Stephen Hoffman	Todd Schleicher
Eli Bowland	Doug Keller	Trisha Schleicher
Sherri Bowman	Rick Keller	Kathy Steigerwalt
Willard Doll	Sandy Keller	Patti Walck
Lauren Dugan	Joe Kluk	Sandy Walter
Candy Everett	Deb Lilly	Betty Weber
Ann German	Robert Miller	
Dick German	Nicole Mazenko Rowles	

## ***WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS***

<b><u>Ministers:</u></b>	The Congregation
<b><u>Pastor:</u></b>	Reverend Anthony Pagotto
<b><u>Music Director:</u></b>	Bridgette Gorman
<b><u>Greeters:</u></b>	Everett
<b><u>Acolytes:</u></b>	Mason Spitzer
<b><u>Lector:</u></b>	Rich DeLuca

Worship Participants for June 1, 2025:

<b><u>Greeters:</u></b>	Frey
<b><u>Acolytes:</u></b>	Jordyn Albert
	Alexis Keller
<b><u>Lector:</u></b>	Brad Kuehn
<b><u>Communion Assistants:</u></b>	Jan Schwartz
	Eric Solt



# Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
 we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
 all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!  
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.  
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt.  
 Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional; arr. John Roberts, 1807–1876

## Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor 1, Tenor 2) and a Bass line. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Bass line providing a harmonic foundation. The lyrics are arranged in five lines, each corresponding to a different part of the choir. The first line of lyrics is: 1 Ho - ly Spir - it, truth di - vine, dawn up - on this soul of mine; 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, love di - vine, glow with - in this heart of mine; 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, pow'r di - vine, for - ti - fy this will of mine; 4 Ho - ly Spir - it, peace di - vine, still this rest - less heart of mine; 5 Ho - ly Spir - it, right di - vine, king with - in my con - science reign; The second line of lyrics is: breath of God and in - ward light, wake my spir - it, clear my sight. kin - dle ev - 'ry high de - sire; purge me with your ho - ly fire. by your will I strong - ly live, brave - ly bear, and no - bly strive. speak to calm this toss - ing sea, stayed in your tran - quil - i - ty. be my guide, and I shall be firm - ly bound, for - ev - er free.

Text: Samuel Longfellow, 1819–1892  
Music: SONG 13, Orlando Gibbons, 1583–1625



## I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to  
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to  
3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give  
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,  
be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with

light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.  
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

### Refrain

In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the

day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the

cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934  
Music: HOUSTON, Kathleen Thomerson  
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