O Light of Christ

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O Light of Christ

Inspired by the *Exsultet*;
Luke 12:2–3 and John 8:12

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INTRO (♩ = ca. 78)

Keyboard

Solo with rubato

REFRAIN

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Note: Score and parts for string quartet are available online (30142217). Visit ocp.org.
love divine, dispel the darkness of this night. O Light of

Life, boundless bright, beyond confines, where shadows

vanish in your sight.

O Light of Christ
REFRAIN

Soprano

Alto

Baritone

O Light of Christ, rising up in glory,
shine! Radiant in your love divine,

dispel the
O Light of Christ

C/E F G C/G C C/E

yond confines, where shadows vanish in your sight.

F G Am C/E Fmaj7 G C (Fine)
VERSES

S/A

1. Secrets in the dark shall be spoken in the light. What is
2. “I am the light of the world,” says the Lord.
3. May this light mingle with the lights of heaven. "Who-

B

Gm7 F C/G Bb

1. whispered in the ear from the roof will be proclaimed.
2. ever follows me will receive the light of life.”
3. this light bravely burn to dis-

F C/E G

1, 2 Em7 Dm/F F/A G/B G
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D.S. al fine

Em G F
Gsus4 G
Em7 Dm/F F/A G/B
Dm Dm/F Bb
Am Am/C F
Dm7 C/E Fmaj7 G
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INTRO ($\text{q} = \text{ca. 78}$)

C  C sus2,4  C  C sus2,4

Solo with rubato

Kbd

REFRAIN

C  Am  F  G  C  C/G  C/E  F  G

Christ, rising up in glory, shine! Radiant in your love di-

vine, dispel the darkness of this night. O Light of

Life, boundless bright, beyond confines, where shadows

vanish in your sight.

C/E  Fmaj7  G  C  C sus2,4  C/E  Fmaj7  G  C

All

 Rit. last time

(Fine)

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Composer Notes

The first refrain can be sung either in tempo or in a reflective rubato. Try mixing choral textures in subsequent refrains. The recording demonstrates some possible refrain variations. One example comes after the second verse: the beginning of the refrain is sung by only the sopranos and altos with the baritones joining in halfway through the refrain. Optional string parts (available online; ed. 30142217) coordinate well with this refrain variation.

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SOLO INSTRUMENT in C

INTRO \( \text{\( q \)} = \text{ca. 78} \)

REFRAIN (Solo with rubato)

“O Light of Life,”

VERSE 1

“spoken in the light.”

VERSE 2

“world, says the Lord.”

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REFRAIN

VERSE 3

REFRAIN
O LIGHT OF CHRIST

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Refrain

O Light of Christ, rising up in glory, shine!
Radiant in your love divine, dispel the darkness of this night. O Light of Life, boundless bright, beyond confines, where shadows vanish in your sight.

Verses

1. Secrets in the dark shall be spoken in the light.
2. “I am the light of the world,” says the Lord. “Whoever follows me...
3. May this light mingle with the lights of heaven.

1. From the roof will be proclaimed.
2. Will receive the light of life.
3. To dispel the darkness of this night.

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