

A BABY IS BORN

A baby is born!
New beginnings. New hope.
New Clay of Life, unmoulded:
An unopened Book of Love.
What joy is in your plan, Lord -
Divine creation through human love:
We praise and thank you for your gift!
 And yet with joy comes worry...
 How great is our task:
 Unworthy as we are,
 To fashion another Christ
 By our lives, our example!

A baby is born!
New questionings of how
 Only with you, Lord, by our side
 Can we hope to succeed.
Fill us with love,
 strength,
 and faith,
That our family might bring unending joy
 To us and others,
 And to You.

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