

Father of Lights

Elizabeth Wilson and Helen Thoburn, 1913.

Albert Jeffery, 1886.

Father of lights, in whom there is no shadow,  
Giver of every good and perfect gift!  
With one accord we seek Thy holy presence,  
Gladly our hearts to Thee in praise we lift.

Glad for the cause that binds our lives together,  
Through Thee united, worshiping as one;  
Glad for the crowning gift that Thou hast given,  
Sending, to light the world, Thine only Son.

Light of the world, through whom we know the Father!  
Pour out upon us Thine abiding love,  
That we may know its depth and height and splendor,  
That heaven may come to earth from heaven above.

Thou art the Christ! To Thee we own allegiance.  
May our devotion sweep from sea to sea,  
Even as we, the gift from Thee receiving,  
Joyfully minister that gift for Thee.