

# Mighty Father of Mankind

(Hymn of Our Triune God)

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At a conference of leaders of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, North Wisconsin District and inspired by a melody used for a single-verse hymn during a break in the proceedings, Rev. Brauer began work on this hymn. His goal was to build on a subject that would be meaningful to a local congregation. He wrote about the varied gifts of the triune God. He introduced the hymn at Redeemer Lutheran Church on Trinity Sunday in 1965. The hymn tune (Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me) was written by Daniel Iverson, 1935. This copyrighted tune appears on the Internet: ([https://hymnary.org/text/spirit\\_of\\_the\\_living\\_god\\_fall\\_iverson](https://hymnary.org/text/spirit_of_the_living_god_fall_iverson)).

1 Mighty Father of mankind, Maker of all,  
Thou providest all we need Each passing day.  
Feed us! Lead us! Guard and shield us!  
Bounteous Giver of all good, Take care alway.

2 Gracious Savior of the world, Victor o'er sin;  
You once died that we might live Forevermore.  
Wash us! Cleanse us! Justify us!  
By forgiveness thru your blood In peace restore.

3 Holy Spirt, Dove divine, Blest Comforter,  
You alone can give us faith Grace to receive.  
Teach us! Cheer us! Sanctify us!  
In all trials of our life Our souls relieve.

4 Holy, triune, living God, Faithful and true;  
You have loved and ransomed us To be your own.  
Rule us! Use us! Always keep us!  
In our final earthly hour Then take us home.