

# Our Father, Thou in heav'n above

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Our Father, Thou in Heav'n above,  
Who biddest us to dwell in love,  
As brethren of one family,  
To cry in every need to Thee,  
Teach us no thoughtless words to say,  
But from our inmost heart to pray.

Thy gracious will on earth be done  
As 'tis in Heaven before Thy throne;  
Obedience in our weal and woe  
And patience in all grief bestow.  
Curb flesh and blood and every ill  
That sets itself against Thy will.

Into temptations lead us not,  
When evil foes against us plot  
And vex our souls on every hand,  
Oh, give us strength that we may stand  
Firm in the faith, a well-armed host,  
Through comfort of the Holy Ghost!

Thy Name be hallowed. Help us, Lord,  
In purity to keep Thy Word,  
That to the glory of Thy Name  
We walk before Thee free from blame.  
Let no false doctrine us pervert;  
All poor, deluded souls convert.

Give us this day our daily bread  
And let us all be clothed and fed.  
From war and strife be our defense,  
From famine and from pestilence,  
That we may live in godly peace,  
Free from all care and avarice.

From evil, Lord, deliver us;  
The times and days are perilous.  
Redeem us from eternal death,  
And when we yield our dying breath,  
Console us, grant us calm release,  
And take our souls to Thee in peace.

Thy kingdom come. Thine let it be  
In time and in eternity.  
Let Thy good Spirit e'er be nigh  
Our hearts with graces to supply.  
Break Satan's power, defeat his rage;  
Preserve Thy Church from age to age.

Forgive our sins, Lord, we implore  
Remove from us their burden sore,  
As we their trespasses forgive  
Who by offenses us do grieve.  
Thus let us dwell in charity  
And serve our brother willingly.

Amen, that is, So shall it be.  
Confirm our faith and hope in Thee  
That we may doubt not, but believe  
What here we ask we shall receive.  
Thus in Thy Name and at Thy Word  
We say: Amen. Oh, hear us, Lord!

Martin Luther