

**Fighting for the Faith Hymnal  
for September 2nd, 2009**

**Thy Strong Word**

1. Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;  
at thy speaking it was done;  
for created light we thank thee,  
while thine ordered seasons run:  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

2. Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,  
dark as night and deep as death,  
broke the light of thy salvation,  
breathed thine own live-giving breath:  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

3. Thy strong word bespeaks us righteous;  
bright with thine own holiness,  
glorious now, we press toward glory,  
and our lives our hopes confess:  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

4. God the Father, Light-Creator,  
to thee laud and honor be;  
to thee, Light of Light begotten,  
praise be sung eternally;  
Holy Spirit, Light-Revealer, glory, glory be to thee;  
mortals, angels, now and ever praise the Holy Trinity.

Words: Martin H. Franzman (1907-1976) Music: Ton-y-Botel, Thomas John Williams  
(1869-1944)

## **"Come, Thou Almighty King"**

1. Come, Thou almighty King,  
Help us Thy name to sing,  
Help us to praise!  
Father all-glorious,  
O'er all victorious,  
Come and reign over us,  
Ancient of Days.  
2. Come, Thou Incarnate Word,  
Gird on Thy mighty sword,  
Our prayer attend;  
Come and Thy people bless  
And give Thy Word success;  
Stablish Thy righteousness,  
Savior and Friend!

3. Come, holy Comforter,  
Thy sacred witness bear  
In this glad hour.  
Thou, who almighty art,  
Now rule in every heart  
And ne'er from us depart,  
Spirit of Power!

4. To the great One in Three  
Eternal praises be  
Hence evermore!  
His sovereign majesty  
May we in glory see  
And to eternity  
Love and adore!

The Lutheran Hymnal

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