

We Bless the God and Father

Based on Ephesians 1:3-10

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Trinity Hymnal (Red) #492

Psalter Hymnal (1976) #159

Psalter Hymnal (1987) #243

We bless the God and Father of Jesus Christ our Lord,
For He has blessed us richly through Christ whom we adore.
Before the world's foundations, He chose us all in Him,
That He should find us holy and blameless of our sin.

In love He us predestined to take us for His own,
Adopted as His children, through Jesus Christ His Son,
According to the purpose of His mysterious will
To praise His grace most glorious, each day more glorious still.

In Christ we have redemption, His lifeblood shed for us,
In Christ we are forgiven, our sin nailed to the cross,
According to the riches of God's most lavish grace,
Divine, eternal wisdom revealed in time and space.

The purpose of the Father that we be one with Christ,
His plan for our salvation and our eternal life,
This mystery once kept hidden, in Christ is now set forth.
To make as one forever all things in heaven and earth.

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