Phrasing 102 (Ephesians 1:3–14)

1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ,

1:4 for he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless before him. In love

1:5 he predestined us for adoption as his own sons through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will,

1:6 to the praise of his glorious grace with which he has highly favored us in the Beloved.

1:7 In him we have received redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the rich benefits of his grace,

1:8 which he lavished on us in all wisdom and insight.

1:9 He has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ,

1:10 as a plan for the fullness of time, to bring everything together in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth.

1:11 In Christ we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to the counsel of his will,

1:12 so that we, who have already set our hope in Christ, might exist for the praise of his glory.

1:13 You also are in him, having heard the word of truth, the good news of your salvation; in him also, when you believed, you were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit,

1:14 which is the guarantee of our inheritance until the time of God’s redemption of his possession, to the praise of his glory.