

Reading

Ephesians 1:3–5

Before the world was made God chose us in Christ.

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.
Before the world was made, he chose us,
chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless,
and to live through love in his presence,
determining that we should become his adopted sons,
through Jesus Christ
for his own kind purposes.

The word of the Lord.