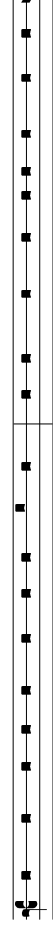


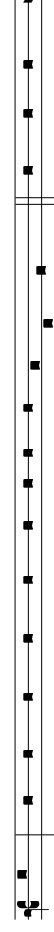
HEAR my prayer, O Lord: and let my crying come un-to thee. 2. Hide not thy



face from me in the time of my trouble: incline thine ear unto me when I



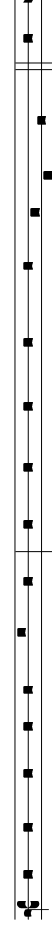
call; O hear me, and that right soon. 3. For my days are consumed away like



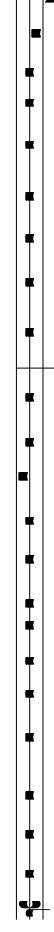
smoke: and my bones are burnt up as it were a firebrand. 4. My heart is



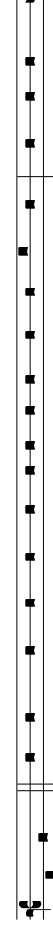
smitten down, and withered liked grass: so that I forget to eat my bread.



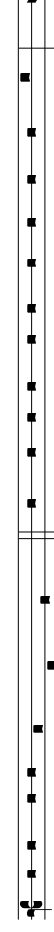
5. For the voice of my groaning: my bones will scarce cleave to my flesh. 6. I



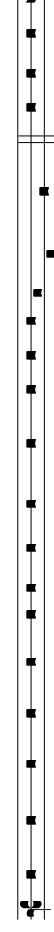
am become like a pel-ican in the wilderness: and like an owl that is in the



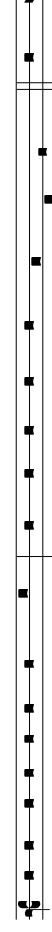
desert. 7. I have watched, and am even as it were a sparrow: that sitteth



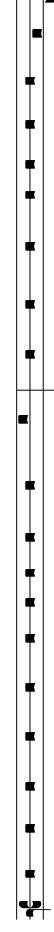
alone upon the house-top. 8. Mine enemies revile me all the day long:



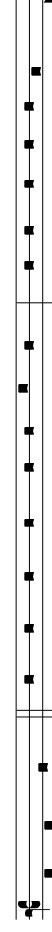
and they that are mad upon me are sworn together against me. 9. For I have



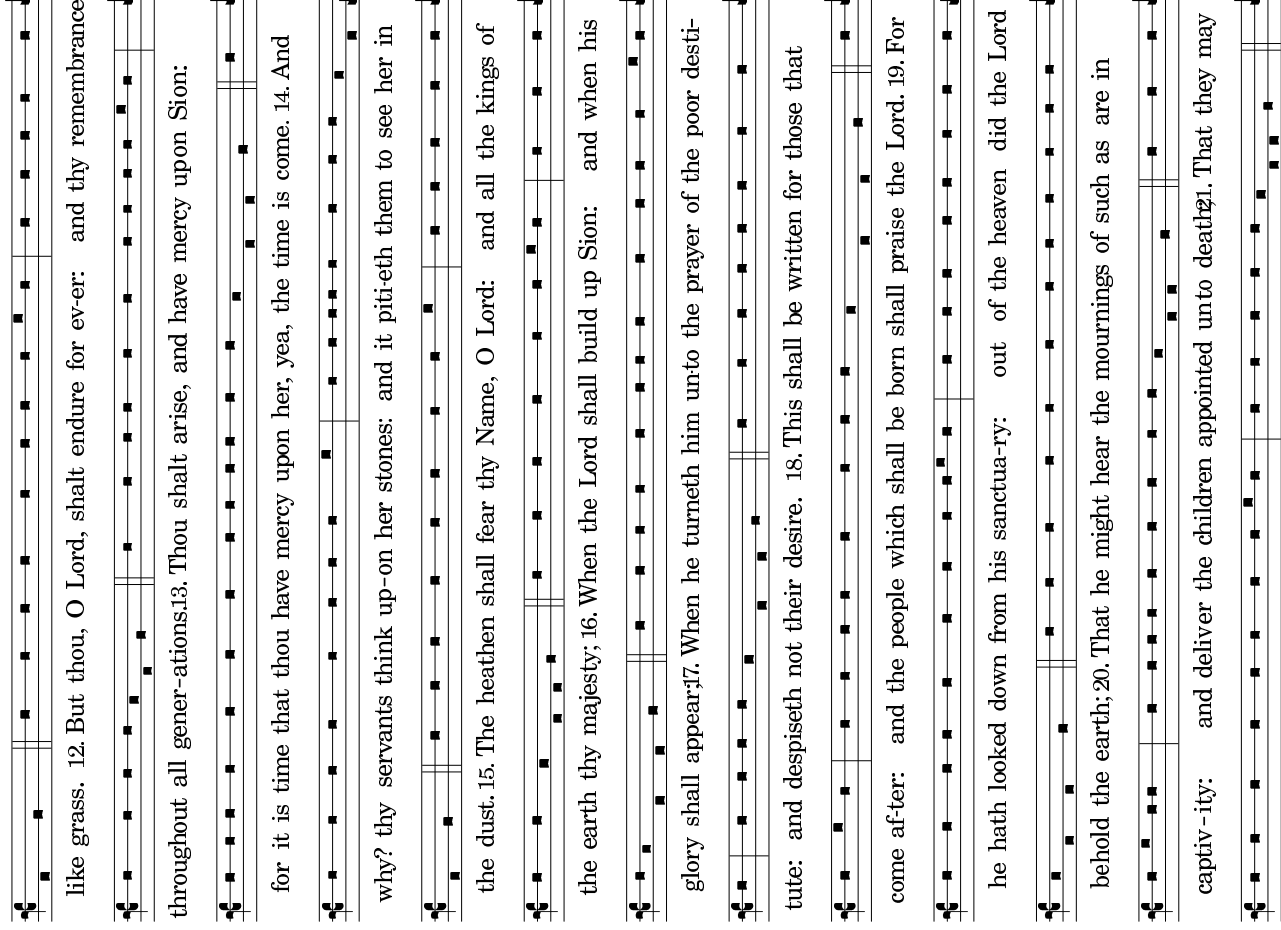
eaten ashes as it were bread: and mingled my drink with weeping; 10. And



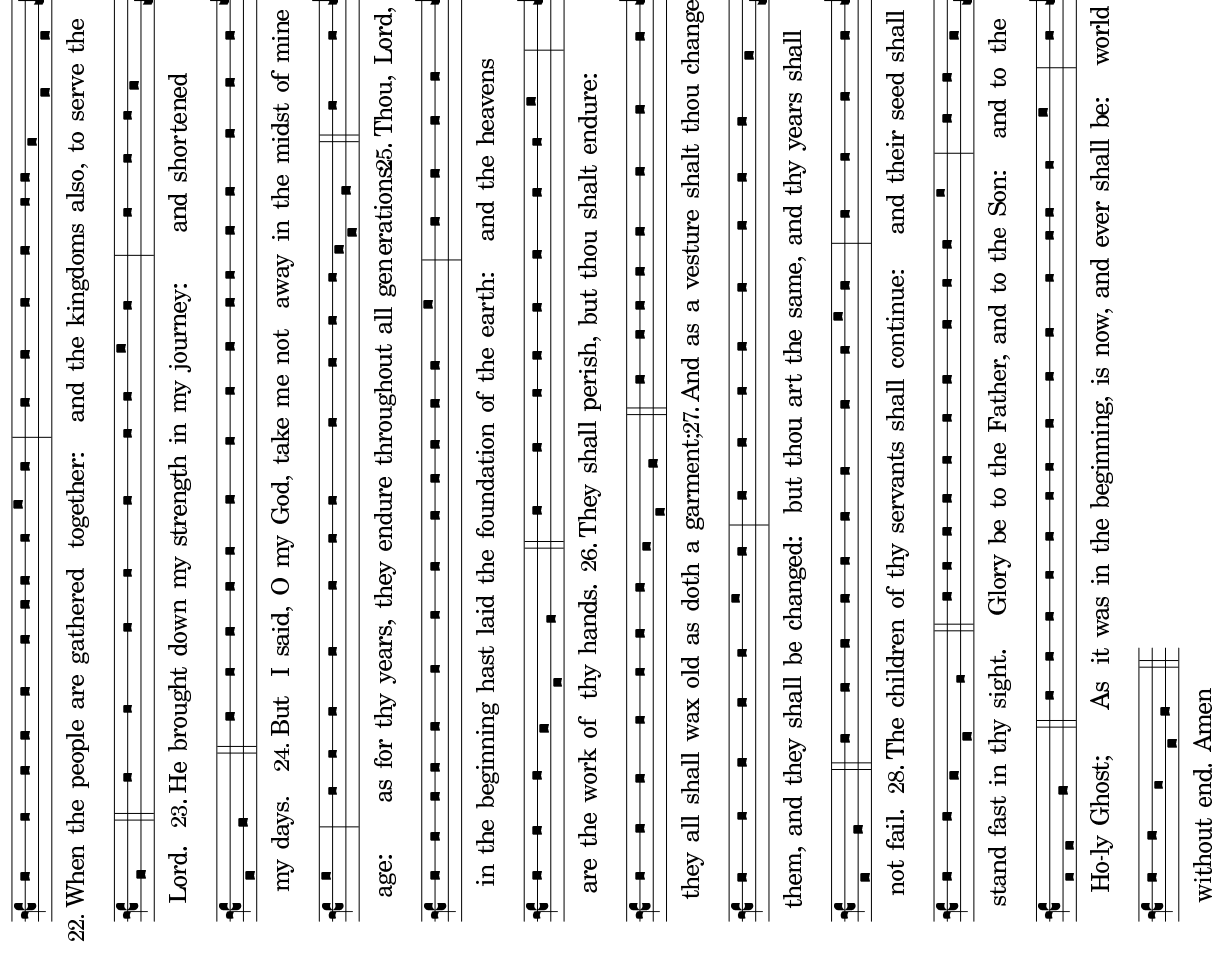
that because of thine indignation and wrath: for thou hast taken me up, and



cast me down. 11. My days are gone like a shadow: and I am withered



like grass. 12. But thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever: and thy remembrance throughout all generations.¹³ Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for it is time that thou have mercy upon her, yea, the time is come. 14. And why? thy servants think up-on her stones: and it piti-eth them to see her in the dust. 15. The heathen shall fear thy Name, O Lord: and all the kings of the earth thy majesty; 16. When the Lord shall build up Zion: and when his glory shall appear.¹⁷ When he turneth him unto the prayer of the poor destitute: and despiseth not their desire. 18. This shall be written for those that come af-ter: and the people which shall be born shall praise the Lord. 19. For he hath looked down from his sanctua-ry: out of the heaven did the Lord behold the earth; 20. That he might hear the mournings of such as are in captiv-ity: and deliver the children appointed unto death.²¹ That they may declare the Name of the Lord in Zion: and his worship at Je-rusalem;



22. When the people are gathered together: and the kingdoms also, to serve the Lord. 23. He brought down my strength in my journey: and shortened my days. 24. But I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of mine age: as for thy years, they endure throughout all generations.²⁵ Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands. 26. They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: they all shall wax old as doth a garment;²⁷ And as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail. 28. The children of thy servants shall continue: and their seed shall stand fast in thy sight. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen