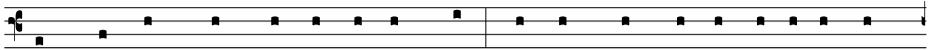


Psalm 109

Deus, laudem

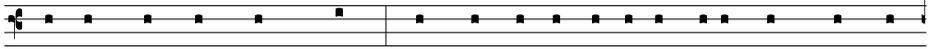
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HOLD not thy tongue, O God of my praise: for the mouth of the ungodly, yea,



the mouth of the deceitful is open-ed up-on me. 2. And they have spoken



against me with false tongues: they compassed me about also with words of



hatred, and fought against me without a cause. 3. For the love that I had un-



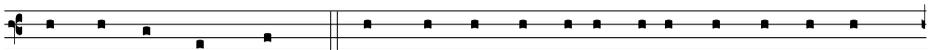
to them, lo, they take now my contrary part: but I give myself unto



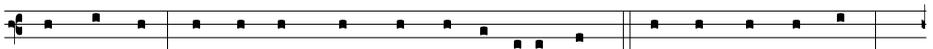
prayer. 4. Thus have they rewarded me e-vil for good: and hatred for my good



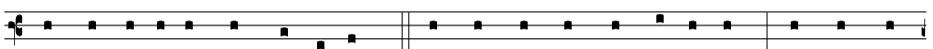
will. 5. Set thou an ungodly man to be ruler o-ver him: and let Satan



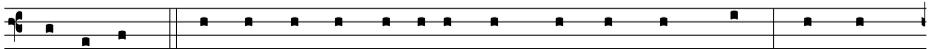
stand at his right hand. 6. When sentence is given upon him, let him be



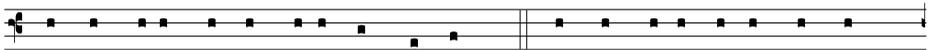
condemned: and let his prayer be turned into sin. 7. Let his days be few:



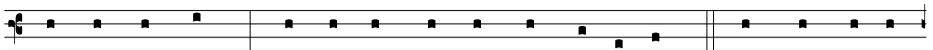
and let another take his office. 8. Let his children be fatherless: and his wife



a widow. 9. Let his children be vagabonds, and beg their bread: let them



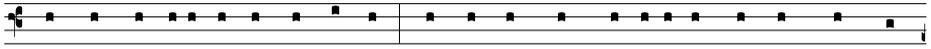
seek it also out of deso-late places. 10. Let the extortioner consume



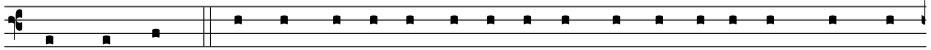
all that he hath: and let the stranger spoil his labour. 11. Let there be no



man to pity him: nor to have compassion upon his fatherless children.



12. Let his posterity be destroyed: and in the next generation let his name be



clean put out. 13. Let the wickedness of his fathers be had in remembrance in



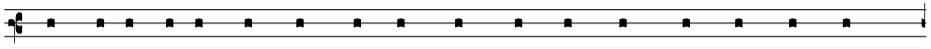
the sight of the Lord: and let not the sin of his mother be done away.



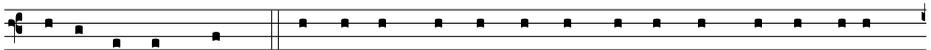
14. Let them alway be before the Lord: that he may root out the memorial of



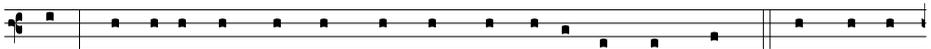
them from off the earth. 15. And that, because his mind was not to do good:



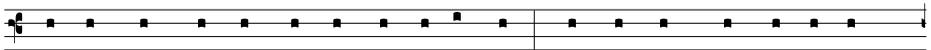
but persecuted the poor helpless man, that he might slay him that was



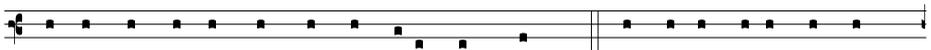
vexed at the heart. 16. His delight was in cursing, and it shall happen unto



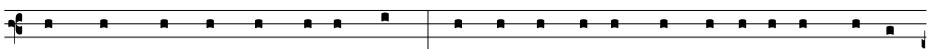
him: he loved not blessing, therefore shall it be far from him. 17. He clothed



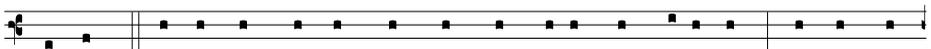
himself with cursing, like as with a raiment: and it shall come in-to his



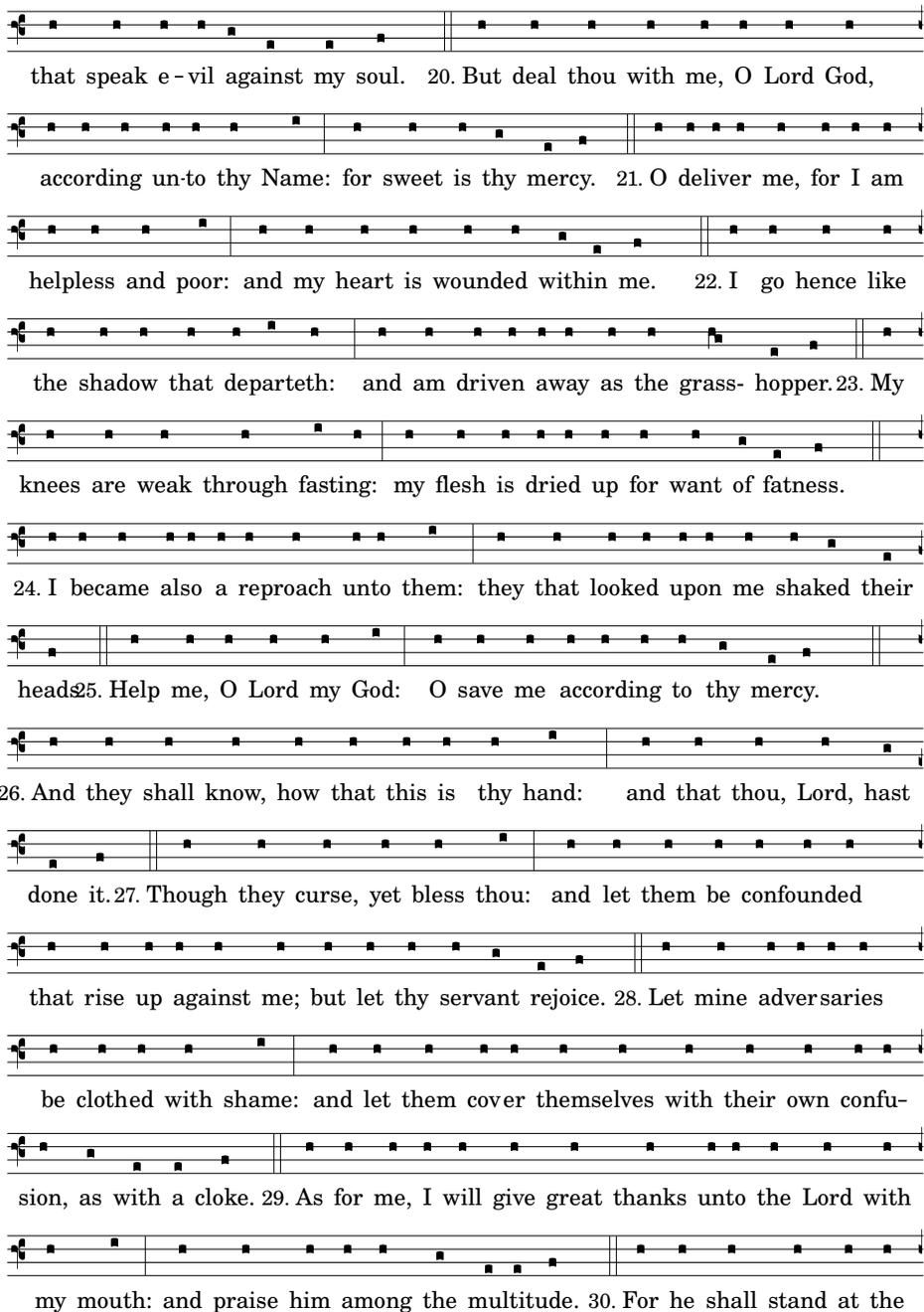
bowels like water, and like oil into his bones. 18. Let it be unto him as



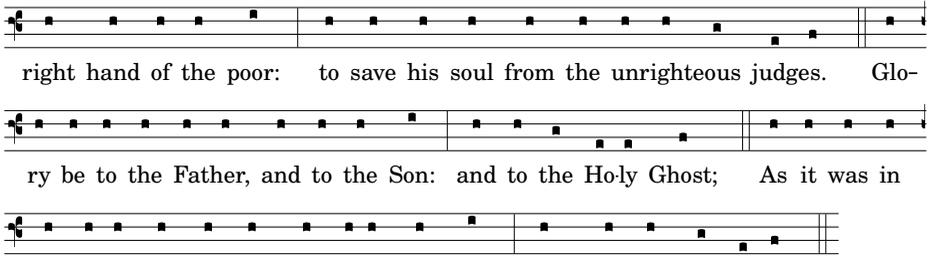
the cloke that he hath upon him: and as the girdle that he is always girded



withal. 19. Let it thus happen from the Lord unto mine enemies: and to those



that speak e-vil against my soul. 20. But deal thou with me, O Lord God,
according un-to thy Name: for sweet is thy mercy. 21. O deliver me, for I am
helpless and poor: and my heart is wounded within me. 22. I go hence like
the shadow that departeth: and am driven away as the grass- hopper. 23. My
knees are weak through fasting: my flesh is dried up for want of fatness.
24. I became also a reproach unto them: they that looked upon me shook their
heads. 25. Help me, O Lord my God: O save me according to thy mercy.
26. And they shall know, how that this is thy hand: and that thou, Lord, hast
done it. 27. Though they curse, yet bless thou: and let them be confounded
that rise up against me; but let thy servant rejoice. 28. Let mine adversaries
be clothed with shame: and let them cover themselves with their own confu-
sion, as with a cloke. 29. As for me, I will give great thanks unto the Lord with
my mouth: and praise him among the multitude. 30. For he shall stand at the



right hand of the poor: to save his soul from the unrighteous judges. Glo-
ry be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in
the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen