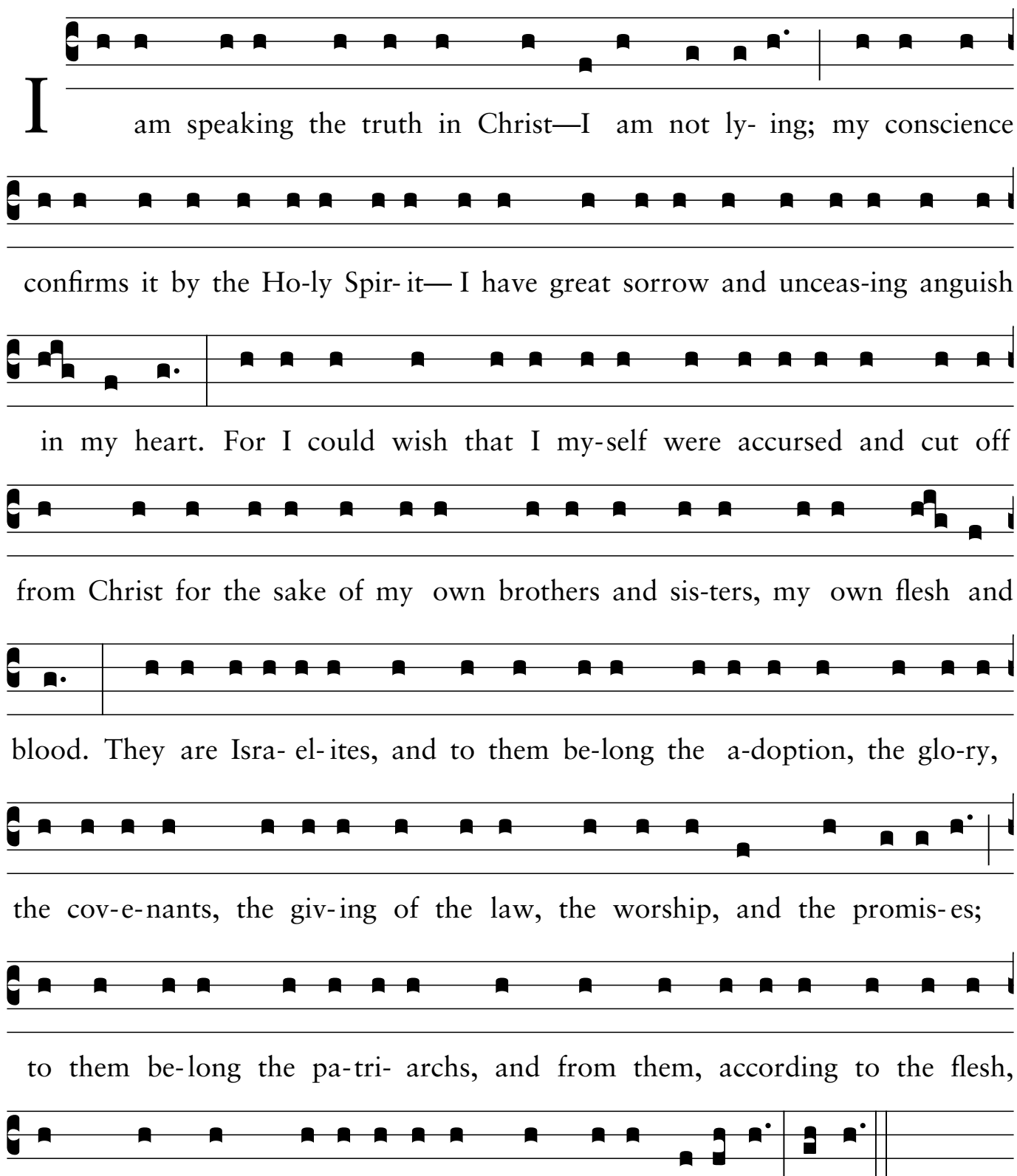


Romans 9:1-5

Proper 13



I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not ly- ing; my conscience confirms it by the Ho-ly Spir-it— I have great sorrow and unceas-ing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I my-self were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own brothers and sis-ters, my own flesh and blood. They are Isra-el-ites, and to them be-long the a-doption, the glo-ry, the cov-e-nants, the giv-ing of the law, the worship, and the promis-es; to them be-long the pa-tri- archs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is o-ver all, God blessed for-ev-er. Amen.