

Great Vigil of Easter Years A, B, C

Creation

Psalm 136: 1-9, 23-26

Mode 2 **Refrain**

God's mer - cy en - dures for ev - er.

1. Give thanks to the *Lord*, for he is good, for his mercy endures for ev - er.

2. Give thanks to the God of gods, for his mercy endures for ev - er.

3. Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his mercy endures for ev - er. **Refrain**

4. Who on - ly *does great* won - ders, for his mercy endures for ev - er;

5. Who by wisdom made the hea - vens, for his mercy endures for ev - er;

6. Who spread out the earth upon the wa - ters, for his mercy endures for ev - er; **Refrain**

7. Who cre - ated *great* lights, for his mercy endures for ev - er;

8. The sun to rule the day, for his mercy endures for ev - er;

9. The moon and the stars to govern the night, for his mercy endures for ev - er. **Refrain**

23. Who re-membered us in our low es - tate, for his mercy endures for ev - er;

24. And delivered us from our en - e - mies, for his mercy endures for ev - er;

25. Who gives food to all crea - tures, for his mercy endures for ev - er.

26. Give thanks to the God of hea - ven, for his mercy endures for ev - er. **Refrain**

Flood

Psalm 46

Mode 8

Refrain

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Ja - cob
is our strong - hold.

1. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trou - ble.

2. Therefore we will *not fear*, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains be toppled

into the depths of the sea; 3. Though its waters rage and foam,

and though the mountains tremble at its tu - mult. **Refrain** 5. There is a river



whose *streams make* glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.



6. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be over-thrown; God shall help her



at the break of day. 7. The nations *make* much ado, and the kingdoms are sha - ken;



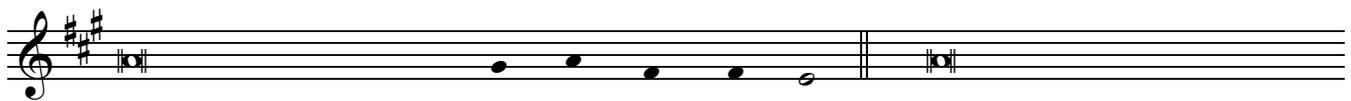
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt a - way. **Refrain** 9. Come now and look



upon the works of the Lord, what awesome *things* he has done on earth.



10. It is he who *makes* war to cease in all the world; he breaks the *bow*,



and shatters the *spear*, and burns the shields with fire. 11. "Be *still*, then, and know that



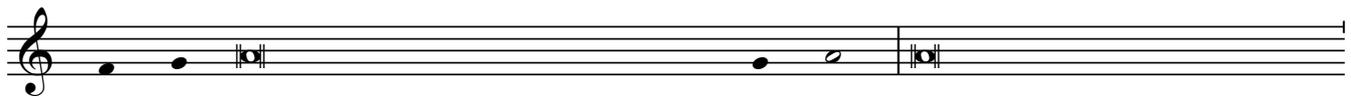
I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be ex - alt - ed in the earth." **Refrain**

Abraham & Isaac

Psalm 16

Mode 6 **Refrain**

Pro - tect me, O God, for I take ref - uge in you.



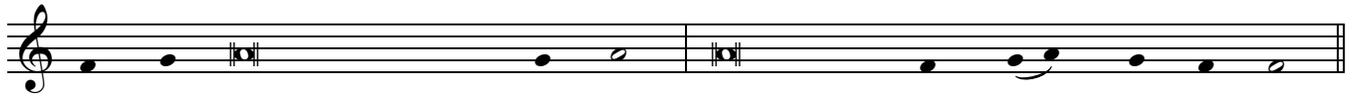
1. Pro - tect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord,



"You are my *Lord*, my good a - bove all oth - er." 2. All my delight is upon the godly



that are in the land, upon those who are noble a - mong the peo - ple. **Refrain**



3. But those who *run* after oth - er gods shall have their trou - bles mul - ti - plied.



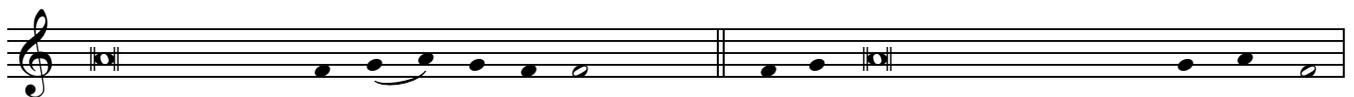
4. Their libations of blood I will not of - fer, nor take the name of their



gods up - on my lips. **Refrain** 5. O *Lord*, you are my portion and my cup;



it is you who up - hold my lot. 6. My boundaries enclose a plea - sant land;



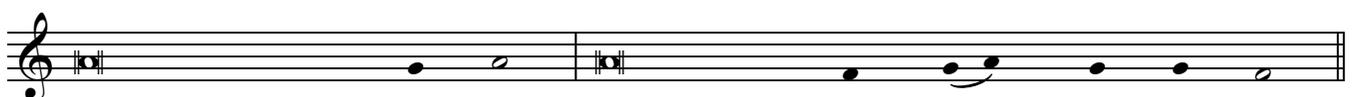
indeed, I have a good-ly her - i - tage. **Refrain** 7. I will bless the Lord who gives me coun-sel;



my *heart* teaches me, night af - ter night. 8. I have set the *Lord* always be - fore me;



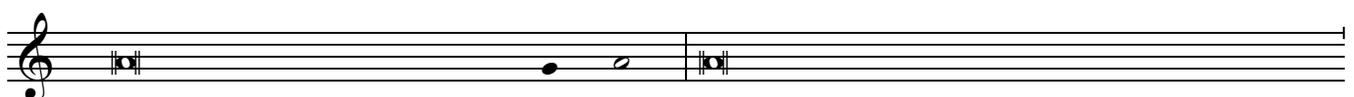
because he is at my *right* hand I shall not fall. **Refrain** 9. My *heart*, therefore, is glad,



and my spirit re - joi - ces; my body al - so shall rest in hope.



10. For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your ho - ly one see the Pit.



11. You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy,

and in your *right* hand are plea - sures for ev - er - er - more. **Refrain**

Red Sea

Canticle 8

Mode 8 **Refrain**

I will sing to the Lord, who has ris - en up in might.

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and up - lift - ed; the horse and its rider

has he *hurled* in - to the sea. The Lord is my strength and my ref - uge;

the Lord has be - come my Sa - vior. This is my *God* and I will praise him,

the God of my people and I will ex - alt him. **Refrain** The Lord is a mighty war - rior

Yah-weh is his Name. The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he *hurled* into the sea;

the finest of those who *bear* armor have been drowned in the Red Sea.

The fathomless deep has over - whelmed them; they *sank* into the depths like a stone. **Refrain**

Your *right* hand, O Lord, is glorious in might; your *right* hand, O Lord, has over -



thrown the en - e - my. Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods?



who is like you, glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and work - er of won - ders?



You stretched forth your right hand; the earth swal - lowed them up. **Refrain**



With your constant love you led the people you re-deemed; with your might you brought them



in safety to your ho - ly dwel - ling. You will bring them in and plant them



on the mount of your pos - ses - sion, The resting-place you have made



for your-self, O Lord, the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has es - tab - lished.



The Lord shall reign for ever and for ev - er. **Refrain**

Salvation

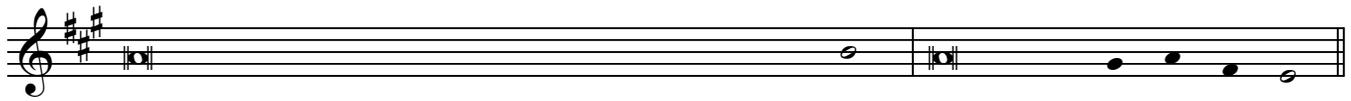
Canticle 9



You shall draw wa-ter with re-joic-ing from the springs of sal - va-tion.



Sure - ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be a - fraid.



For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure de-fense, and he will be my Sa-vior.



Therefore you shall *draw* water with re - joi - cing from the springs of sal - va - tion. **Refrain**



And on *that* day you shall say, Give thanks to the Lord and call up - on his Name;



Make his *deeds* known among the peo - ples; see that they remember that his Name



is ex - alt - ed. **Refrain** Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has *done great* things,



and this is known in all the world. Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, *ring* out your joy,



for the *great* one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Is - ra - el. **Refrain**

Wisdom

Psalm 19

Refrain

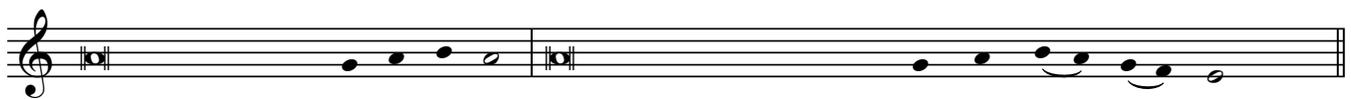
Mode 4



The stat - utes of the Lord re - joi - ce the heart.



1. The hea-vens declare the glo-ry of God, and the firma-ment shows his hand - i - work.



2. *One* day tells its tale to an-oth-er, and *one* night imparts know-ledge to an - oth - er. **Refrain**



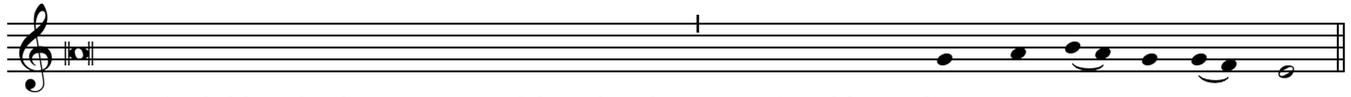
3. Al-though they have no words or lan-guage, and their voi - ces are not heard,



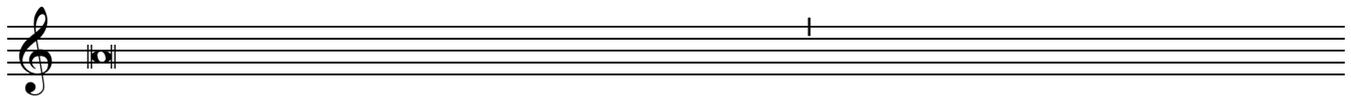
4. Their sound has *gone out* into all lands, and their message



to the ends of the world. **Refrain** 5. In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun;



it *comes* forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a cham-pion to run its course.



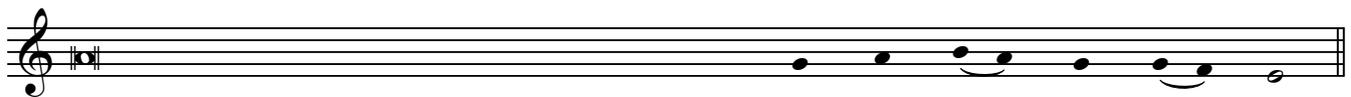
6. It *goes* forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of



it a - gain; nothing is hid - den from its burn - ing heat. **Refrain**



7. The law of the Lord is perfect and re - vives the soul;



the testimony of the Lord is *sure* and *gives* wis - dom to the in - no - cent.



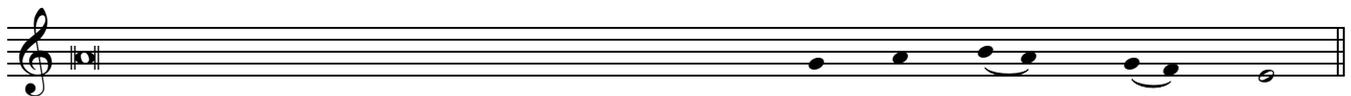
8. The statutes of the Lord are *just* and re - joice the heart;



the commandment of the Lord is *clear* and gives light to the eyes. **Refrain**



9. The fear of the Lord is *clean* and en - dures for ev - er;



the judgments of the Lord are *true* and right - eous al - to - ge - ther.

10. More to be desired are they than *gold*, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey,
 than hon - ey in the comb. 11. By them also is your ser - vant en - light - ened,
 and in keeping them there is great re - ward. **Refrain** 12. Who can tell how often
 he of - fends? cleanse me from my se - cret faults. 13. Above *all*,
 keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them *not* get do - min - ion o - ver me;
 then shall I be whole and *sound*, and inno - cent of a great of - fense.
 14. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my *heart* be acceptable in your sight,
 O *Lord*, my strength and my re - deem - er. **Refrain**

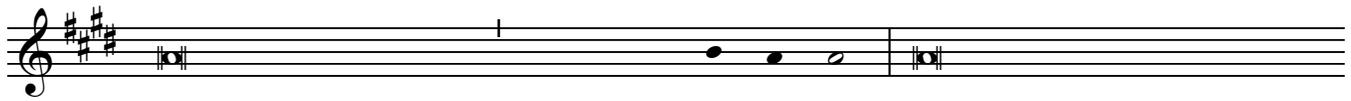
New Heart

Psalms 42 and 43

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Put your trust in God, O my soul.

1. As the *deer* longs for the wa - ter - brooks, so longs my soul for you, O God.



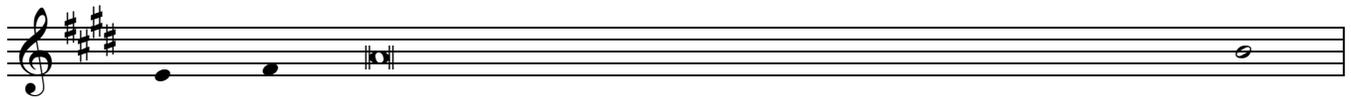
2. My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the liv - ing God; when shall I come to appear



before the pres - ence of God? 3. My tears have been my *food* day and night,



while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God?" **Refrain**



4. I pour out my *soul* when I think on *these* things:



how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,



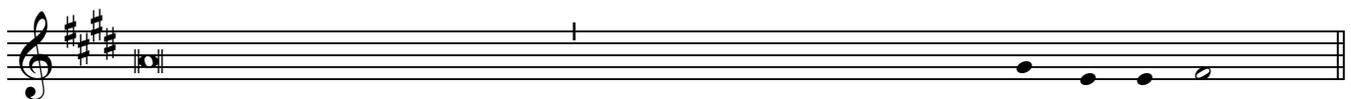
5. With the voice of praise and thanks - giv - ing, among those who



keep ho - ly - day. **Refrain** 6. Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul?



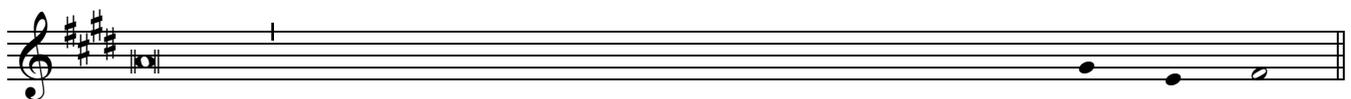
and why are you so disquieted with - in me? 7. Put your trust in God;



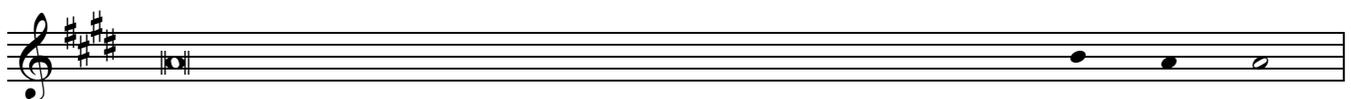
for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my counten - ance, and my God. **Refrain**



8. My soul is heavy with - in me; therefore I will remember you from the land



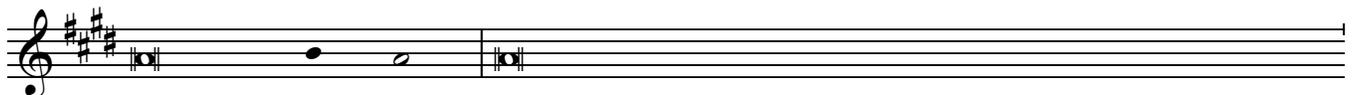
of Jordan, and from the peak of *Mizar* among the heights of Her - mon.



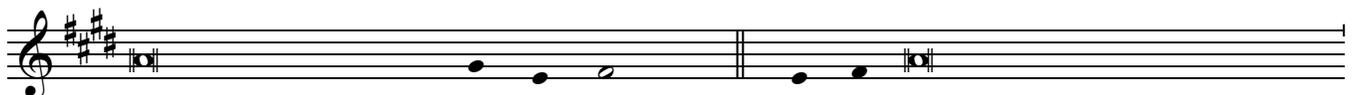
9. *One deep* calls to another in the noise of your ca - ta - racts;



all your rapids and floods have gone o - ver me. 10. The *Lord* grants his loving-kindness



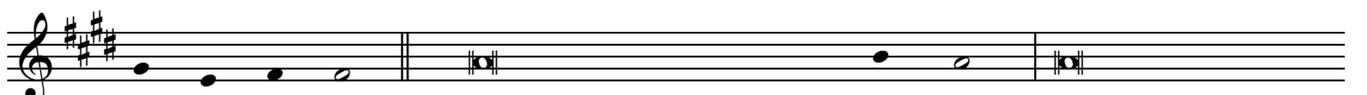
in the day - time; in the *night* season his song is with me,



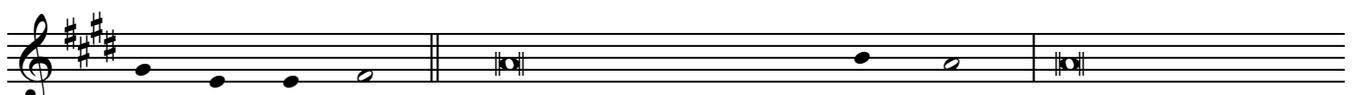
a prayer to the God of my life. **Refrain** 11. I will say to the God of my strength,



"Why have you for - got - ten me? and why do I go so heavily while the enemy



op - pres - ses me?" 12. While my bones are being bro - ken, my enemies mock



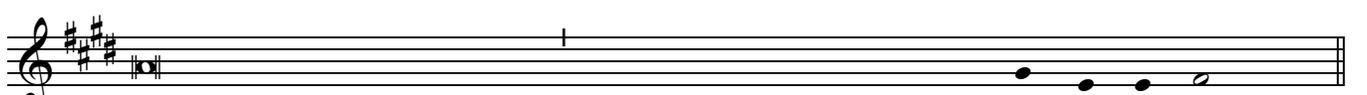
me to my face; 13. *All day* long they mock me and say to me,



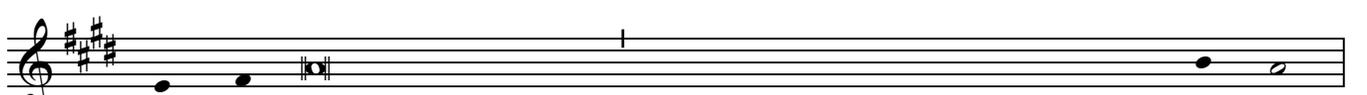
"Where now is your God?" **Refrain** 14. Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul?



and why are you so disquieted with - in me? 15. Put your trust in God;



for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my counten-ance, and my God. **Refrain**



1. Give judg - ment for me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly peo - ple;



deliver me from the deceitful and the wick - ed. 2. For you are the God of my strength;



why have you put me from you? and why do I go so heavily while the enemy

op - pres - ses me? **Refrain** 3. Send out your light and your *truth*, that they may lead me,
 and bring me to your holy *hill* and to your dwel-ling; 4. That I may go to the altar of God,
 to the God of my joy and glad-ness; and on the *harp* I will give thanks
 to you, O God my God. **Refrain** 5. Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul?
 and why are you so disquieted with - in me? 6. Put your trust in God;
 for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my counten-ance, and my God. **Refrain**

Dry Bones

Psalm 143

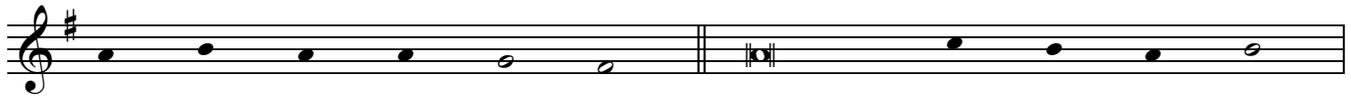
Mode 7 **Refrain**

Re - vive me, O Lord, for your Name's sake.

1. Lord, hear my prayer, and in your faithfulness heed my sup - pli - ca - tions;
 answer me in your right-eous-ness. 2. Enter not into judgment with your ser - vant,
 for in *your* sight shall no one liv - ing be jus - ti - fied. **Refrain** 3. For my enemy



has sought my life; he has crushed me to the ground; he has made me live in *dark* places



like those who are long dead. 4. My spirit faints with - in me;



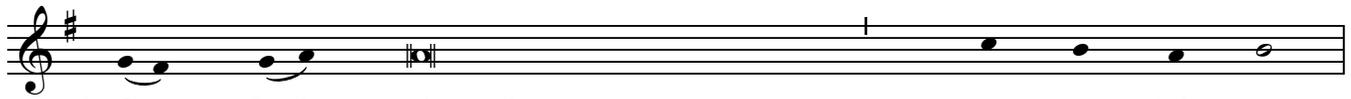
my heart with - in me is des - o - late. **Refrain** 5. I re - member the *time* past;



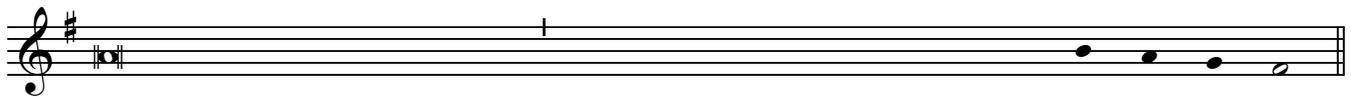
I muse up - on all your deeds; I consider the works of your hands.



6. I spread out my hands to you; my *soul* gasps to you like a thirs - ty land. **Refrain**



7. O Lord, make haste to answer me; my spi - rit fails me;



do *not* hide your face from me or I shall be like those who go down to the Pit.



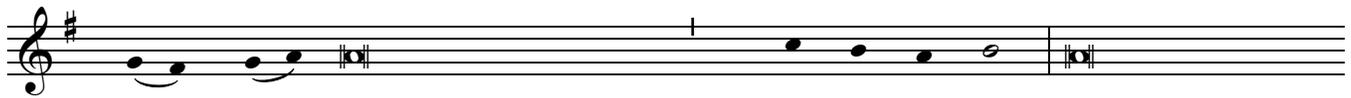
8. Let me hear of your loving-kindness in the morning, for I put my trust in you;



show me the road that I must walk, for I lift up my soul to you.



9. Deliver me from my en - e - mies, O Lord, for I flee to you for ref - uge. **Refrain**



10. Teach me to do what pleases you, for you are my God; let your *good* Spirit



lead me on lev - el ground. 11. Revive me, O *Lord*, for your Name's sake;



for your righteousness' sake, bring me out of trouble. 12. Of your goodness, destroy my enemies



and bring all my foes to naught, for truly I am your servant. **Refrain**

God's People

Psalm 98

Mode 8 **Refrain**



Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, re-joice and sing.



1. Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.



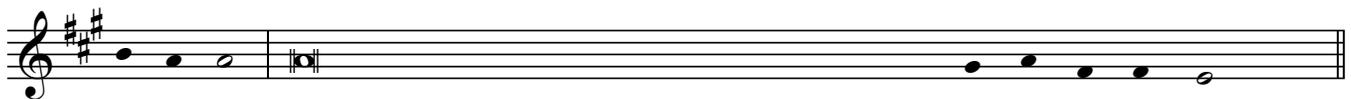
2. With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory. **Refrain**



3. The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness has he openly shown



in the sight of the nations. 4. He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of



Is-ra-el, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. **Refrain**



5. Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, re-joice, and sing.



6. Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.



7. With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy be-fore the King, the Lord. **Refrain**



8. Let the sea make a *noise* and all that is in it, the lands and



those who dwell there - in. 9. Let the rivers clap their hands,



and let the *hills* ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

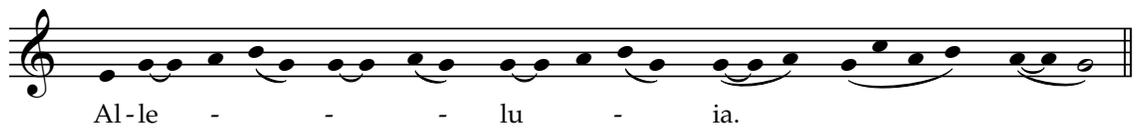
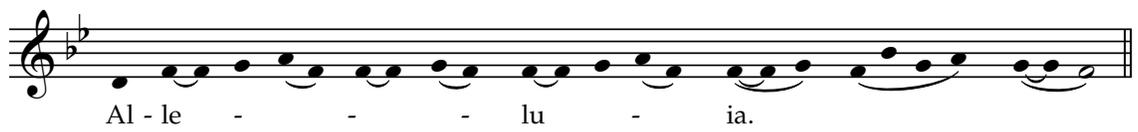
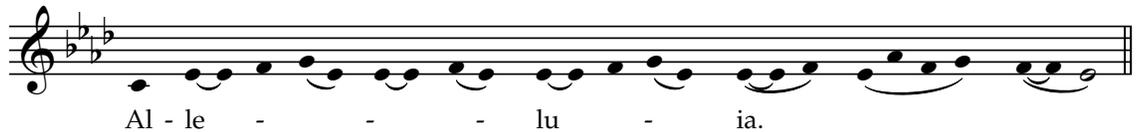


10. In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peo-ples with eq - ui - ty. **Refrain**

At the Eucharist Years A, B, C

Great Alleluia

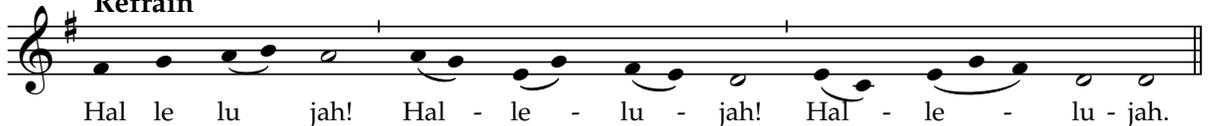
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Psalm 114

Refrain

Mode 7



1. When Is - rael came out of E - gypt, the house of Jacob from a

peo - ple of strange speech, 2. Judah became God's sanc - tu - a - ry
 and Israel his do - min - ion. **Refrain** 3. The sea be - held it and fled;
 Jordan turned and went back. 4. The moun - tains skipped like rams,
 and the little hills like young sheep. **Refrain** 5. What ailed you, O sea, that you fled?
 O Jordan, that you turned back? 6. You mountains, that you skipped like rams?
 you little hills like young sheep? **Refrain** 7. Trem - ble, O earth, at the
 pre - sence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Ja - cob,
 8. Who turned the *hard rock* into a pool of wa - ter and flint-stone
 in - to a flow - ing spring. **Refrain**