Leader: 1 Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in Thee: yea, in the shadow of Thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast.

Response: **2 I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all things for me.**

Leader: 3 He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of him that would swallow me up. God shall send forth His mercy and His truth.

Response: **4 My soul is among lions: and I lie even among them that are set on fire, even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.**

Leader: 5 Be Thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; let Thy glory be above all the earth.

Response: **6 They have prepared a net for my steps; my soul is bowed down: they have digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are fallen themselves.**

Leader: 7 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise.

Response: **8 Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early.**

Leader: 9 I will praise Thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing unto Thee among the nations.

Response: **10 For Thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and Thy truth unto the clouds. 11 Be Thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: let thy glory be above all the earth.**