Leader: 1 Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.

Response: **2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God.**

Leader: 3 Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.

Response: **4 For a thousand years in Thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.**

Leader: 5 Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning they are like grass which groweth up.

Response: **6 In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.**

Leader: 7 For we are consumed by Thine anger, and by Thy wrath are we troubled.

Response: **8 Thou hast set our iniquities before Thee, our secret sins in the light of Thy countenance.**

Leader: 9 For all our days are passed away in Thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told.

Response: **10 The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.**

Leader: 11 Who knoweth the power of Thine anger? even according to Thy fear, so is Thy wrath.

Response: **12 So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.**

Leader: 13 Return, O Lord, how long? and let it repent thee concerning Thy servants.

Response: **14 O satisfy us early with Thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.**

Leader: 15 Make us glad according to the days wherein Thou hast afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen evil.

Response: **16 Let Thy work appear unto Thy servants, and Thy glory unto their children.**

Leader: 17 And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us:

Response: **and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it.**