

Reading for Virtual Compline

Brent House

February 3, 2021

Luke 2:22-28, [29-32], 36-38 (NRSV)

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps: F# and C#). The time signature is not explicitly shown but appears to be common time (C). The score is divided into sections for 'Leader' and 'All'. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And also with you.' The 'All' section begins with 'When the time came for their purification according to the law of Mo - ses,' followed by 'Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pi - geons."' The final section begins with 'Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Si - me - on; this man was righteous and de - vout, looking forward to the consolation of Is - ra - el, and the Holy Spirit res - ted on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit

Leader

All

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Leader

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Mo - ses,
Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord
(as it is written in the law of the Lord,
"Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"),
and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord,
"a pair of turtledoves or two young pi - geons."
Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Si - me - on;
this man was righteous and de - vout, looking forward to the consolation of Is - ra - el,
and the Holy Spirit res - ted on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit

that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messi - ah.

Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the tem - ple;

and when the parents brought in the child Jesus,

to do for him what was customary under the law,

Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, **NUNC DIMITTIS**

Leader

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of A - sher.

She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her mar - riage,

then as a widow to the age of eigh - - ty - four. She never left the tem - ple

but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came,

and she began to praise God and to speak about the child to all

who were looking for the redemption of Je - ru - sa - lem.

Leader **All**

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**