

Nunc Dimittis

(The Song of Simeon)

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For SSATTB chamber choir *a capella* and baritone soloist

Commissioned by the First Methodist Church of Fort Worth, Texas, Mark Burrows, music director

Performances notes: Use speech rhythms throughout, as you might do with Gregorian chant.
The length of held notes at ends of phrases is at the discretion of the conductor.

The musical score is divided into two systems. The first system features a Baritone Soloist and a SSATTB chamber choir. The Baritone Soloist part is in the bass clef and begins with the lyrics "Lord, now you have". The choir parts are in the treble clef and begin with the lyrics "Nunc dimittis, nunc dimittis servum tuum, Do - mi - ne,". The second system features a Soloist and a SSATTB chamber choir. The Soloist part is in the bass clef and begins with the lyrics "set your ser - vant free to". The choir parts are in the treble clef and begin with the lyrics "se - cun - dum ver - bum tu - um,".

Baritone Solo
Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

Lord, now you have

Nunc dimittis, nunc dimittis servum tuum, Do - mi - ne,
Nunc dimittis, nunc dimittis servum tuum, Do - mi - ne,
Nunc dimittis, nunc dimittis servum tuum, Do - mi - ne,
Nunc dimittis, nunc dimittis servum tuum, Do - mi - ne,

Solo
S
A
T
B

set your ser - vant free to

se - cun - dum ver - bum tu - um,
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