

# Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart

Book of Common Prayer

Nunc Dimittis

Adapted (anon.) from Robert Barber (fl. 1723-53)

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[♩=40]

Soprano  
Alto  
Tenor [Air]  
Bass  
Keyboard

Lord now let-test thou thy ser - - - vant de - part in peace; ac -  
ac -  
Lord now let-test thou thy ser - - - vant de - part in peace; ac -  
Lord now let-test thou thy ser-vant de - part in peace; ac -

5 **A**

S  
A  
T  
B  
Kbd.

cor - ding to thy word. thy sal - va -  
cor - ding to thy word. thy sal - va -  
cor - ding to thy word. thy sal - va -  
cor - ding to thy word. For mine eyes, for mine eyes have seen thy sal - va -

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S  
A  
T  
B  
Kbd.

tion, be - fore the face of all peo - ple.  
tion, be - fore the face of all peo - ple.  
tion, which thou hast pre - pa - - - red be - fore the face of all peo - ple.  
tion, which thou hast pre - pa - - - red be - fore the face of all peo - ple.

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14 **B**

S To be a light to ligh-ten the Gen - tiles, the Gen - tiles;

A To be a light to ligh-ten the Gen - tiles;

T To be a light to ligh-ten the Gen - tiles, the Gen - tiles;

B To be a light to ligh-ten the Gen - tiles;

Kbd.

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S

A and to be the glo - ry, the glo - - - ry, the glo - - - ry,

T the glo - - - ry, the glo - - -

B and to be the glo - ry, the glo - - - ry, the glo - ry,

Kbd.

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S the glo - - - - - ry of thy peo - ple Is - ra - el.

A the glo - - - - - ry of thy peo - ple Is - ra - el.

T -ry, glo - ry of thy peo - ple Is - ra - el.

B the glo - ry, glo - ry of thy peo - ple Is - ra - el.

Kbd.

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24 **C**

S  
A  
T  
B  
Kbd.

Glo - - - ry be to the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to the

Glo - - - ry, glo - - - ry glo - - -

Glo - - - ry be to the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to the

Glo - - - ry, glo - - - ry be to the

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S  
A  
T  
B  
Kbd.

Son, glo - - - ry be to the Ho - ly Ghost

ry, glo - - - ry be to the Ho - ly, Ho - ly Ghost

Son, glo - ry, glo - ry be to the Ho - ly Ghost

Son, Glo - - - ry be to the Ho - ly Ghost

30 **D**

T  
B  
Kbd.

(Tenor)  
(Bass) is now, and e - ver e

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and e - ver, e -

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T  
8  
ver shall be;

B  
ver shall be;

Kbd.

38 **E** [♩=112]

S  
world with - out end, world with - out end.

A  
out end.

T  
world with - out end.

B  
world with - out end, world with - out end.

Kbd.

44 **F** [Tempo I] [♩=40]

S  
A - - - - - men.

A  
A - - - - - men.

T  
8  
A - - - - - men.

B  
A - - - - - men.

Kbd.

This version is transcribed from the Colby MSS, IOM. Barber's original soprano part has been restored in bars 21-23, which have rests in the MS.