



Advent Vespers Devotional 2020

Friday, December 25
Luke 2:27-32

Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; 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, “Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.”

On this most holy morning, we once again encounter the Christ Child in the manger and with Simeon we proclaim that our eyes have seen God’s salvation, a light for revelation, a source of glory. And now we look to what poet W.H. Auden calls the “time being,” the time when we are called to free the prisoners, heal the sick, feed the hungry, dismantle racism, fight for justice, help all of God’s creation to breathe again – Guided by the Spirit. May it be so for now and evermore.

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