



# Here I am Lord

Word of the Week: Luke 2: 22-32

Now when the time came for their purification Joseph and Mary brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (just as it is written in the law of the Lord, “*Every firstborn male will be set apart to the Lord*”), and to offer a sacrifice according to what is specified in the law of the Lord, *a pair of doves or two young pigeons*.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon who was righteous and devout, looking for the restoration of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. So, Simeon, directed by the Spirit, came into the temple courts, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what was customary according to the law, Simeon took him in his arms and blessed God, saying,

“Now, according to your word, Sovereign Lord, permit your servant to depart in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples: a light, for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.”

## Word of the Week

This week we hear in our Word of the Week about Jesus being presented at the temple after his birth. We are reminded this week that God has a plan for each of us.

Just like Simeon, who waited patiently and faithfully, we must trust in God's timing even when answers or blessings seem delayed, staying faithful and patient is crucial. This week we pray for the faith to trust in God's plan for us.

Simeon's meeting with Jesus shows the fulfilment of God's promises. It reminds us that God keeps His promises, and our faithfulness in waiting and trusting will be rewarded.

Our theme - Here I am Lord - invites us to show our willingness to follow God's will. Like Simeon, we are called to present ourselves to God, offering our lives and actions in service of His will. This week we pray we can listen to God's call in our lives and act upon God's invitation.

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'

**ISAIAH 6:8**



## Actions for the Week ahead:

- \*Reflect on who God has called you to be.
- \*Go to lunchtime Mass this Friday – be a reader or join our choir.
- \*Say a prayer for your family and friends.
- \*Ask one of the Year 9's how they got on at Savio House.
- \*Pray for those who are struggling.
- \*Say a prayer for yourself – that you find full faith and trust in God.

## Prayers for the Week

**Lord Jesus,**

Here I am. Like Simeon in the temple, I stand before You with open hands and an open heart. You call, and I answer—not because I am worthy, but because You are faithful. Let Your light rest upon me. Guide my steps, steady my spirit, and strengthen my willingness to serve You today. May my life echo the words, “Here I am, Lord”.

Amen

**Lord Jesus,**

You know me—my strengths, my fears, my hesitations. Yet still You call. Here I am. Take what I offer, even when it feels small. Shape me according to Your purpose. Lead me where love is needed, where hope must rise, and where Your truth must shine.

Amen.

Lord Jesus,

We ask for the same peace Simeon felt – the kind that allows us to walk into the unknown or the difficult. May we carry the light that shines with your life so that others can see your love through all that we do and say. Just as Simeon was ready for his mission, may we have the courage to fulfil our own mission.

Amen.



## Reflection

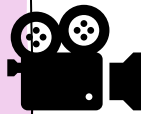
What is one thing that I am holding onto that prevents me from saying ‘Here I am?’

Am I lacking in faith?

Am I too concerned about what my friends will think?

Am I too busy using my phone that I don’t have time to talk to God?

Am I lacking the courage to say, ‘Here I am?’



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