

## Hushed was the Evening Hymn (6 6.6 6.8 8.)

Composed for "Church Hymns with Tunes", S.P.C.K., 1874, and appears there in this version rather than the four part arrangement found in many hymn books.

This tune appears in some hymn books as "Samuel".

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Hushed was the Evening Hymn". It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line on a single treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The second system also has a vocal line on a single treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on grand staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a clear melody and harmonic accompaniment.

1 Hushed was the evening hymn,  
The temple courts were dark,  
The lamp was burning dim  
Before the sacred ark,  
When suddenly a voice divine  
Rang through the silence of the shrine.

2 The old man, meek and mild,  
The priest of Israel, slept;  
His watch the temple child,  
The little Levite, kept:  
And what from Eli's sense was sealed  
The Lord to Hannah's son revealed.

3 Oh! give me Samuel's ear,  
The open ear, O Lord,  
Alive and quick to hear  
Each whisper of Thy word;  
Like him to answer at Thy call,  
And to obey Thee first of all.

4 Oh! give me Samuel's heart,  
A lowly heart, that waits  
When in Thy house Thou art  
Or watches at Thy gates  
By day and night - a heart that still  
Moves at the breathing of Thy will.

5 Oh! give me Samuel's mind,  
A sweet un murmuring faith,  
Obedient and resigned  
To Thee in life and death,  
That I may read with childlike eyes  
Truths that are hidden from the wise.