With Mister Shostakavich

I'm not familiar, which

Obviously may exclude

Me and my poetry crude

From your publication, but

Please, first hear me out! I've put

A few minutes of research

Into his music. His smirch-

Laden attitude I find

Admirable: a dour mind

He had, a mental full plate!

I certainly can relate!

He also seemed really sad.

Many friends he never had.

After looking him up, I

Now see he's a real swell guy!

Thus, this poem I submit,

Honoring his song and wit.

Please take it *seriously*

And do *not* disregard me.

Publish this upon your site

Lest your lives, his ghost, will fright!

Publish this! Avoid his haunt!

It's what What's-His-Name would want!