# Niilo AnssiYlermi **SIMOJOKI ★**07.09.1944 †06.07.2020 Funeral service and reception in Uusikaupunki church 31.07.2020,1.00 PM

# **Funeral Service**

#### Processional music

## Processional hymn – Up, up, my soul, and sing

During the processional hymn the family escort the casket to the front of the church. The congregation may join the escort or wait inside the church. When the casket is in place the final verse of the hymn is sung.



Up, up, my soul, and sing,
 Leave earth her passions lowly,
 Approach with joy the footstool of the Lamb thy God,
 And though thine eyes must sting
 To see a light so holy,
 Oh, let thy heart o'erflow with sounds of joy and laud.
 What heavn'ly pleasure
 Beyond all measure
 Is bought for thee already by His priceless blood!
 The glory\_of heaven's height,
 The Lord's unmeasured might
 Are given thee for free, thy heritage divine,
 Wherefore rejoice! And think, my soul, what grace is thine.

2. At gloomy Sina-i
In lightning and in thunder
Thou need not trembling stay, now bidden to the feast,
On Zion's summit high,
To sit in Salem's wonder,
As guest of Him, the newer cov'nant's Host and Priest.
Earth's passions hollow
Let others follow,
Sing Holy, holy, thanks and praise, Alleluia!
Behold thy heaven here,
E'en mid these dwellings drear,
Yea, here thy heart shall find a home of riches true,
There, there above to meet thee every morning new.

3. Think merely what awaits, What glory, light, and radiance

What sound of bliss, what strum of harp, what heart's delight!

What joy beyond those gates, What freedom and obedience

Thy senses shall behold above in heaven's height

Where Christ is sitting, In praise unquitting,

Where saints fall down and cast their crowns before His feet,

Where sing the Cherubim, Where laud the Seraphim,

Where myriads round the Lamb adore the Three-in-One,

Outshining far the glorious lamp of heaven's sun.

 $5. \ There \ palm \ in \ hand \ they \ stand,$ 

The saints beyond all counting,

And praise their God the Lamb in love without alloy,

They fill the blessed land,

The hall all heav'ns surmounting,

With ceaseless hymns of praise and thanks and sounds of joy.

Mid choirs surrounding, And spires astounding,

I too shall find my fill of blessedness someday,

On Zion's lofty hill,

Where every sense shall thrill,

Ears hear but joy, eyes see but glory on all sides, The light in which the gracious Lamb and God resides.

7. If such a sight unclear,

And vision seen but dimly,

As through a mirror dark, such joy may yet impart,—

If even now my ear

Can sense that music seemly,

What fullness, face to face with God, shall fill our heart!

This truth to ponder Fills me with wonder,

That here the grace of God my Lord I taste and see;

But yet, when I conceive How they in heaven live—

How there before the Lamb's dear feet the champions fall,—

Here too I kneel and own myself His creature small.

4. The elders crowned are there,

In brilliant silken raiment

On kingly thrones the Lamb's more glorious throne surround,

Four creatures dread and fair, Their Holies e'er proclaiming,

With angel hosts whose ranks far more than stars abound,

Vast thousands, in state As lamps fair and great

The kings and priests, all brethren of the holy Lamb

So great in number they, In bliss of heav'nly day,

That here no heart can hope to tell its lofty height,

For there shall Jesus' bride receive her garment bright.

6. Oh, on that day of bliss

When I with God awaken,

In this my very flesh, my God and Lord to see,

What glory shall I miss Where none is e'er forsaken,

And we are blest the very bride of Christ to be?

And find as payment A wreath and raiment,—

The righteousness of Christ in which the saints are robed,

And from this house of sin, The source of my chagrin,

I shall be loosed at last for heavens glorious shore,

In holiness to praise my God for evermore.

8. That song unknown below,

Christ's praises ever ringing

Goes on yet never ends, grows never tired nor tame.

I too that song would know And here and now be singing,

And stand and fall upon the vict'ry of the Lamb,

Who let men take Him, And, slaught'ring, break Him,

And with His blood redeemed us for our Lord and God.

All worthy now is He Of pow'r and majesty,

Of riches, wisdom, glory, honour, thanks, and praise:

Yea, to the First and Last, O world, your Amen raise!

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## Hymn – In heavn' above



1 In heav'n above, in heav'n above, where God our Father dwells: how boundless there the blessedness! No tongue its greatness tells. There face to face, and full and free, the everliving God we see, our God, the Lord of hosts!

3 In heav'n above, in heav'n above, no tears of pain are shed, for nothing there can fade or die; life's fullness round is spread, and like an ocean, joy o'erflows, and with immortal mercy glows our God, the Lord of hosts!

5 To that great joy in heav'n above Help us Lord Jesus Christ, Through your great pain, through your great death, Lead us there with your might. Amen, amen we surely sing Amen, amen we surely sing Our God, the Lord of hosts! 2 In heav'n above, in heav'n above, what glory deep and bright!
The splendor of the noonday sun grows pale before its light.
The mighty sun that goes not down, before whose face clouds never frown, is God, the Lord of hosts!

4 In heav'n above, in heav'n above, God has a joy prepared, which mortal ear has never heard, nor mortal vision shared, which never entered mortal thought, in mortal dreams was never sought, O God, the Lord of hosts!

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### Introduction

## **Confession and Absolution**

## Song

## Epistle (1 Cor. 15:50-58)

## Psalm (Ps. 118:15-25)

Antiphon: Ps.130:5

The Psalm is sung as a responsory between men [I] and women [I].

The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we pray, O LORD!

This is the day that the LORD has made;

O LORD, we pray, give us success!

As it was in the beginning is now

And ever shall be, world without end.

Glory be to the Father and the Son

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,

and in his word I hope.

And to the Holy Spirit

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Amen.

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Principal singer:
I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
  and in his word I hope.
   ||:
   Glad songs of salvation are in the tents
   of the righteous:
   "The right hand of the LORD does
   valiantly,
l:
the right hand of the LORD exalts,
the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!"
||:
   I shall not die, but I shall live,
   and recount the deeds of the LORD.
l:
The LORD has disciplined me severely,
but he has not given me over to death.
   ||:
   Open to me the gates of righteousness,
   that I may enter through them and give
   thanks to the LORD.
l:
This is the gate of the LORD;
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the righteous shall enter through it.

and have become my salvation.

I thank you that you have answered me

*||:* 

Gospel (John 11:20-26)

Sermon

Apostle's creed

# The family place a bouquet by the casket

Any other flowers are placed at the cemetery.

Committal

**Prayers** 

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

# Hymn-Te Deum

The Te Deum hymn is sung as responsory between the clergy present [I] and the congregation [2]. The clergy are requested to come to the chancel for the duration of the hymn.





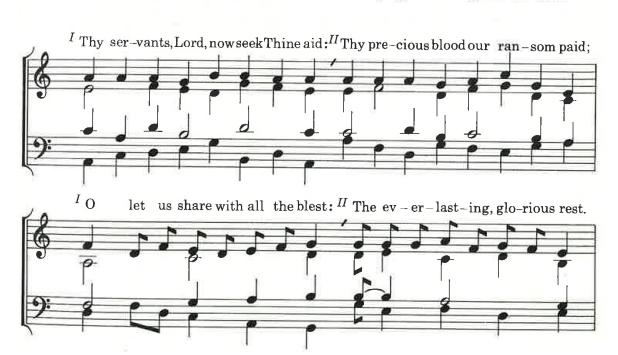


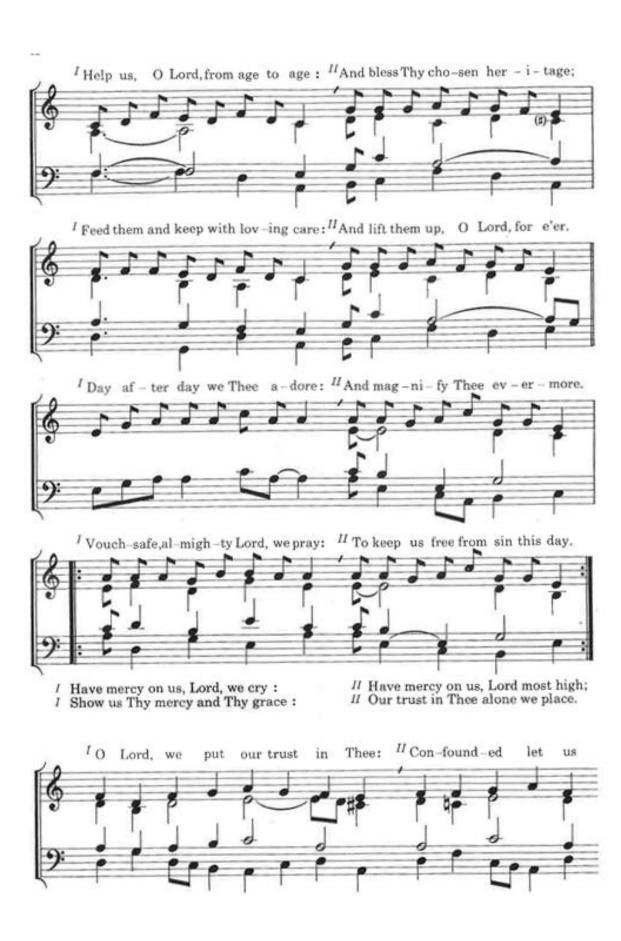
- I The twelve apostles, one and all:
- I The white-robed saints, the martyr-throng:
- I The Church doth honour and proclaim:
- I O Father on Thy heavenly throne:
- I O Holy Spirit, Paraclete:

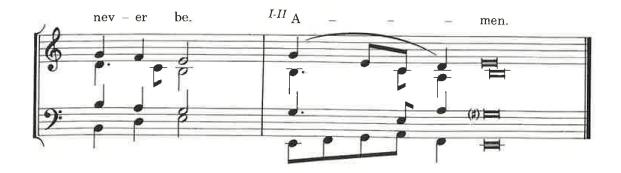
- II The holy prophets Thou didst call,
- II All praise Thy name in joyful song.
- II Throughout the world Thy holy name,
- II O worthy, true, and only Son,
  II To glorify Thee, as is meet.



- I To save our race, Thou didst not scorn:
- I The pangs of death hast Thou o'ercome:I At God's right hand exalted now:
- I Thou wilt return, our risen head:
- II Of virgin-mother to be born;
- II And opened heaven to Christendom;
- His power and glory sharest Thou;
- II To judge the living and the dead.





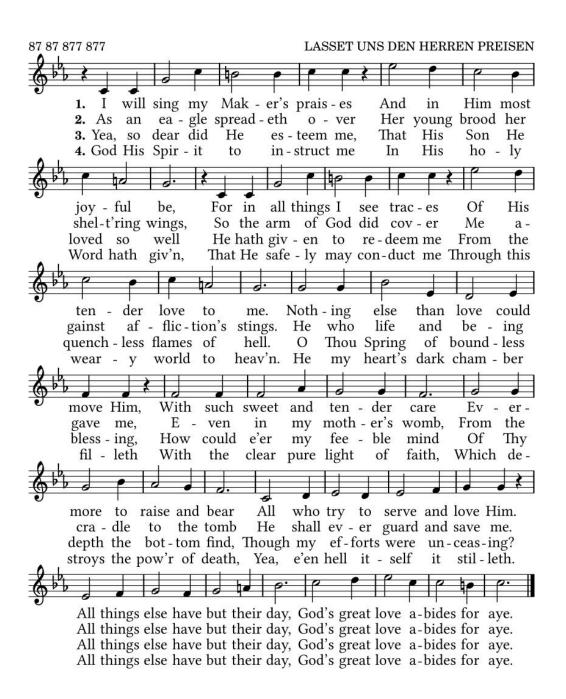


# Recessional music

After the final hymn the family escort the casket out of the church. The reception will begin immediately after the family have returned to their places.

# Reception

## Hymn – I will sing my Maker's praises



- 5. All which for my soul is needful He doth carefully provide, Nor of that is He unheedful Which my body needs beside. When my strength can not avail me, When my pow'rs can do no more, Doth my God His strength outpour, In my need He doth not fail me. All things else have but their day, God's great love abides for aye.
- 7. When I sleep, He still is near me,
  O'er me rests His guardian eye;
  And new gifts and blessings cheer me,
  When the morning streaks the sky.
  Were it not for God's protection,
  Had His countenance not been
  Here my guide, I had not seen
  E'er the end of my affliction.
  All things else have but their day,
  God's great love abides for aye.
- 9. As a father never turneth Wholly from a wayward child, For the prodigal still yearneth, Longing to be reconciled:
  So my many sins and errors Find a tender pardoning God, Chastening frailty with His rod, Not, in vengeance, with His terrors. All things else have but their day, God's great love abides for aye.
- 11. On this thought I dwell with pleasure; For it granteth joy and peace.
  Christ's cross hath its time and measure, And at last will wholly cease.
  When the winter disappeareth,
  Lovely summer comes again;
  Joy is given for woe and pain
  Who His cross in patience beareth.
  All things else have but their day,
  God's great love abides for aye.

- 6. All the hosts of earth and heaven Wheresoe'er I turn mine eye, For my benefit are given, That they may my need supply. All that's living all that's growing, On the heights or in the woods, In the vales or in the floods, God is for my good bestowing. All things else have but their day, God's great love abides for aye.
- 8. Ah! how often doth the Devil
  Cause some great calamity!
  But my life from all such evil
  Till this moment has been free.
  For the angel whom God sendeth,
  Wardeth off each threatening hurt,
  Every evil doth avert
  That mine enemy intendeth.
  All things else have but their day,
  God's great love abides for aye.
- 10. All His strokes and scourges truly For the moment grievous prove, And yet, when I weigh them duly, Are but tokens of His love: Proofs that He is watching o'er me, And by crosses to His fold, From the world that fain would hold Soul and body, would restore me. All things else have but their day, God's great love abides for aye.
- 12.Since, then, neither change nor coldness In my Father's love can be,
  Lo! I lift my hands with boldness,
  As Thy child I come to Thee.
  Grant me grace, O God, I pray Thee,
  That I may with all my might,
  All my life-time, day and night,
  Love and trust Thee, and obey Thee
  And when this brief life is o'er,
  Praise and love Thee evermore.

# Speech

## Musical performance

# Speech

# Song performance

## Speech

# Hymn - With my own eyes in time I shall



- 1. With my own eyes in time I shall The King in glory see,
  And praise him in his temple hall
  His mercy, majesty.
  And in the crystal sea of light
  Is lost the earthly fear and night
  And all the earthly mysteries
  Are changed to thankful praise.
- And scores of blissful songs will sound,
   They roar like a great sea,
   Like rustling of the forest leaves,
   And amber the sky shines.
   And all the nature is reborn,
   And shadows dark will fall no more
   And all the wonders I did see
   New shine and glow receive.

- 3. But the most beautiful of all Is God's most wondrous Lamb With wounds born from the tree of cross That proclaim victory.
  And brighter than the sun does shine The golden throne of God most high, And my dust suit that did me bind Becomes like diamonds bright.
- 4. Then am I saved, then am I free,
  Then I have surely won.
  Then have my fights and quarrels gone,
  Then I am surely home.
  The home my Savior promise did
  To those who bore the cross with him,
  God's paradise, our rightful home,
  The new Jerusalem.

Trans. Tuomo Simojoki

## Speech

# Hymn - God's goodness so amazing



- 1. God's goodness so amazing, God's riches so plenty We shall praise all day, through the night. God's goodness so amazing, God's riches so plenty We shall praise all day, through the night. That in the Lamb's throne room, in heaven eternal We will feast in a marriage feast. That in the Lamb's throne room, in heaven eternal We will feast in a marriage feast.
- 2. Oh love so amazing, oh mercy so endless,
  That I am called the bride of Christ.
  Oh love so amazing, oh mercy so endless,
  That I am called the bride of Christ.
  And I have all I need when I have Jesus,
  Oh endless mercy, grace and love.
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  Oh endless mercy, grace and love.

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## End of the reception.

The funeral procession proceeds to the Uusikaupunki cemetery for the burial.