

Mount Olivet Funeral Planning and Music Suggestions

Music plays a deeply personal and meaningful role in planning a funeral service. At Mount Olivet, our talented team of vocalists, instrumentalists, and keyboard musicians will work with you to create a truly beautiful and heartfelt service.

Standard musical content for funerals and memorials:

- Prelude - Organ, piano, or strings available
- Processional - (see suggestions below)
- Congregational Hymns and/or Solos - (2-4) vocal or instrumental
- Recessionals - (see suggestions below)

If requested, outside performers for services are welcome; however, Mount Olivet reserves the right to approve or decline any musician's participation in a funeral or memorial service. The Funeral Coordinator will assist you with confirming the music and musicians for the service.

If desired, the family can choose special hymns for the prelude, processional, recessional, and postlude music. If preferred, the organist can make these decisions on behalf of the family to help ease the planning process.

The requested music, which Mount Olivet does not own, will be purchased on your behalf for a fee. Our staff will ensure the music is in the correct key for soloists and appropriately arranged for the requested instrument or voice type.

The following list of musical selections is a short example of hymnody and solos for funeral services. This list is not exhaustive. We welcome your requests for additional selections; however, Mount Olivet reserves the right to decline suggestions that cannot be prepared or performed successfully due to time constraints and/or choice of musical styles. Please let us know how else we can assist you in preparing a personal and meaningful service for you and your loved ones.

Processional and Recessional Suggestions

- A Mighty Fortress Is Our God - ELW 504
- Crown Him with Many Crowns - ELW 855
- For All the Saints - ELW 422
- God Be With You Till We Meet Again - ELW - 536
- Joyful, Joyful, We Adore - ELW 836
- Lift High the Cross - ELW 660
- Love Divine, All Loves Excelling - ELW 631
- My Faith Looks Up to Thee - ELW 759
- My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less - ELW 597
- O Day Full of Grace - ELW 627
- O, God, Our Help in Ages Past - ELW 632
- O God, Beyond All Praising - ELW 880

Hymns and/or Solo Suggestions - all hymns can be sung as a solo if preferred

- Abide With Me - ELW 629
- Amazing Grace - ELW 779
- Be Thou My Vision - ELW 793
- Beautiful Savior - ELW 838
- Children of the Heavenly Father -ELW 781
- Day by Day - ELW 790
- Eternal Father, Strong to Save - ELW 756
- For All the Saints - ELW 422
- Great Is Thy Faithfulness - ELW 733
- Here I Am Lord - ELW 574
- How Great Thou Art - ELW 856
- I Know That My Redeemer Lives ELW - 619
- In the Garden - not in hymnal
- It is Well With My Soul - ELW - 785
- Just a Closer Walk with Thee - ELW 697
- Lead On, O King Eternal - ELW 805
- Lift High the Cross - ELW 660
- Lord of All Hopefulness - ELW 765
- My Faith Looks Up to Thee - ELW 759
- My God and I (Cathedral of the Pines camp song) - not in hymnal
- My Hope is Built on Nothing Less - ELW 597
- Old Rugged Cross - not in the hymnal
- Precious Lord, Take My Hand - ELW 773
- Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling -ELW 608
- What a Friend We Have in Jesus - ELW 742
- This is My Father's World - ELW 824

Solos Only

- Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone - Chris Tomlin
- Ave Maria - Schubert or Bach/Gounod
- Be Still My Soul - Sibelius
- Cathedral of the Pines Camp Medley
- Give Me Jesus
- His Eye Is On the Sparrow
- I Can Only Imagine - Mercy Me
- I Know that My Redeemer Liveth - Handel (*Messiah*)
- O Rest in the Lord - Felix Mendelssohn (*Elijah*)
- On Eagle's Wings - Michael Joncas
- Panis Angelicus - César Franck
- Pie Jesu - Gabriel Fauré or Andrew Lloyd Webber
- Somewhere Over the Rainbow - Harold Arlen
- The Lord's Prayer - Malotte
- Yes, My Jesus Loves Me - Mary McDonald
- You Raise Me Up - Josh Groban