

'A breeze from heaven'- the joy and power of singing. Children's singing is like a breeze from heaven; the name of the choir conveys that message as well. We have been able to enjoy these heavenly voices in our Ylöjärvi congregation since 1984. In 2008 the name Celesta was formally recognized as the name of the youth choir. At that time cantor Saara Syrjäniemi had been leading the kids' and youth choirs already for a year. There are approximately 40 eager 10-16 year old children singing in the choir.

The choirs' program includes various spiritual, patriarchal and folk songs which are sung in 1 to 4 different tones. The choir not only performs for local congregational events and concerts but they also perform locally in various capacities as well. In addition to their weekly practices the choir schedules camps throughout the year to better prepare youth for their domestic and international performances.

Recording:

Celesta choir has published recordings "Herraa hyvää kiittäkää" in 2012 and "Kuului laulu enkelten" in 2018. CD requests from saara.syrjaniemi@evl.fi.

Performance road trips:

2010 Ahvenanmaa, Finland

2011 Mannheim, Friedrischdorf, Germany

2013 Fuengirola, Spain

2015 Tallinn, Estonia

2016 Ahvenanmaa, Finland

2017 Bad Homburg and Maulbron, Germany

2020 Manchester, England (6.-9.3.)

Highlighted events where the Celesta choir has performed within the last few years:

2010 Ylöjärvi congregation 100 year festive concerts together with other choirs

2012 YLE TV1 mass from Ylöjärvi church 17.2.

2012 Tuomo Nikkola's Good Shepherd-series in Ylöjärvi and Kuru churches.

2012 Herraa hyvää kiittäkää CD (together with Verso-choir)

2013 Ylöjärvi town's independence day concert 2014 Children's choirs 30 years old: Vivaldi's

Gloria in Ylöjärvi and Tampere

2016 YLE radio 1 mass from Ylöjärvi church 24.1.

2016 YLE radio 1 mass from Ylöjärvi church 18.9.

2017 "Kuului laulu enkelten" -Christmas CD

2019 YLE TV 1 - Good Friday Sunday Service 19.4.

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