# A Celebration of Life

Edward "Ed" F. Kviz Jr.



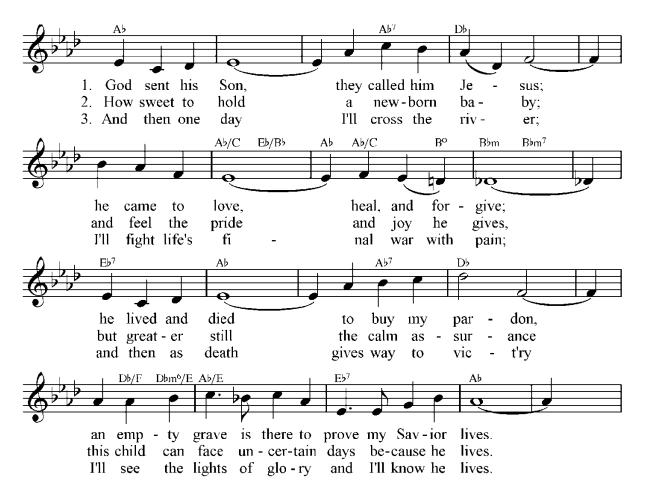
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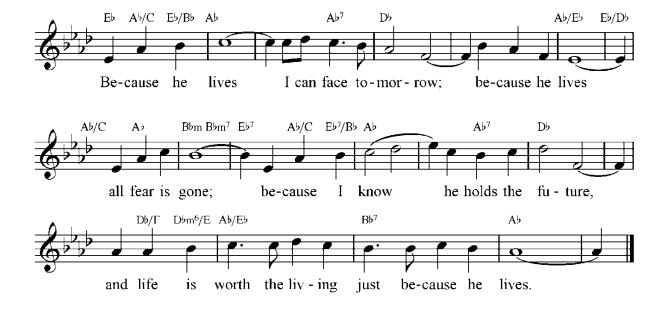
November 21, 2020 Calvary Lutheran Church Richland Hills, TX P Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation, who comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

#### C Thanks be to God.

P When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

#### **Because He Lives**





- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

## **Prayer of the Day**

P O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our brother Ed. We thank you for giving him to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console all who mourn. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

## C Amen.

# The 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm – spoken in unison

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul:

he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness

for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff

they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me

in the presence of mine enemies:

thou anointest my head with oil;

my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

## Remembrances of Ed

**Steve and Andy Kviz** 

# Here I Am, Lord



Text: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946 Music: HERE I AM, LORD, Daniel L. Schutte Text and music © 1981 OCP Publications, Inc., 5536 NE Hassalo, Portland, OR 97213. All rights reserved. Used by permission. <sup>8</sup>He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of yo but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

The Epistle 2 Timothy 4:7-8

<sup>7</sup>I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup>From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

- P The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew the 25<sup>th</sup> chapter
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. <sup>32</sup>All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, <sup>33</sup>and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. <sup>34</sup>Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; 35 for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup>I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' 37Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? <sup>38</sup>And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? <sup>39</sup>And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' <sup>40</sup>And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

- P The Gospel of our Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

## **Beautiful Savior**



Text: Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

## **The Creed**

- P We confess the faith of the church throughout the ages, the faith Ed lived and the faith in which he died.
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

# **The Prayers**

- P Almighty God, in holy baptism you have knit your chosen people together into one communion of saints in the body of Christ. Give to your whole church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. God of mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to share the new life in Christ. God of mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Give courage and faith to all who mourn, and a sure and certain hope in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may have strength for the days ahead. God of mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that, where this world groans in grief and pain, your Holy Spirit may lead us to bear witness to your light and life. God of mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P God of all grace, we give you thanks because by his death our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection he opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, will be able to separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

# **Sharing of the Peace**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Please greet one another in the name of the Lord.

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you
- P Lift up your hearts
- C We lift them to the Lord
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise

## **Words of Institution**

## The Lord's Prayer

Distribution of Holy Communion

## **The Post Communion Blessing**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

## C Amen.

# The Disposition of Edward's remains

- P Let us pray. Faithful God, Lord of all creation, you desire that nothing redeemed by your Son will ever be lost, and that those claimed by Christ will be raised up on the last day. Comfort us today with the word of your promise as we place the ashes of our brother Ed in this sacred space. Grant him a place of rest and peace where death has no dominion. Confirm us in our hope that he will be created anew on the day when you will raise him up in glory to live with you and all the saints for ever and ever. Amen.
- P In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to almighty God our brother Ed, earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

The Lord bless him and keep him.

The Lord's face shine on him with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon him with favor and  $\pm$  give /him peace.

## C Amen.

# **Recessional Hymn**

# On Eagle's Wings





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The Reverend Phillip Heinze The Reverend Kyle Rouze Intern Pastor Evan McVann Debbie Villavicencio, organ/piano Edward "Ed" F. Kviz Jr, man of faith, accomplished traveler, bird watcher, and lover of assorted carbs, died on November 4, 2020 from complications of the evil COVID-19 virus.

Ed was born on May 13, 1944 in Berwyn, Illinois. He went to Downers Grove Community High School. He was part of the cross country & track team, chess club, & French club. He graduated in 1962. He attended Lawrence College in Appleton Wisconsin where he pledged a fraternity, learned how to play bridge and drink beer. After one year, he decided college wasn't for him.

He met his wife, Gail at a mutual hang out in 1963. After an interesting drive-in date, they were eventually married in 1964. He started working for Burlington Northern Railroad at that time. After the birth of their oldest son, Steven in 1965 in Cicero, Illinois, they moved to Riverside, Illinois, where son #2, Timothy, was born. In 1968 they moved to Aurora, Illinois, where they joined Westminster Presbyterian Church. In 1970, the railroad transferred the family to St. Paul, Minnesota, where they lived for 14 years. During that time 2 more children were born, daughter Julianne in 1971 & son Andrew in 1973. In 1972 the family moved to Cottage Grove, Minnesota where they joined All Saints Lutheran Church. Eventually the railroad transferred him to Ft. Worth, Texas, in 1984 where he lived until the present.

During the early years Ed also worked several varied part-time jobs to support his family so Gail could stay home with their children. He was a short order cook, a dance instructor at Fred Astaire Dance School and an usher at a movie theater all of which left a lasting impression seen by those who knew him.

The railroad did not value Ed's 23 years of dedication, so he was forced in 1989 to embark on a new career with American Airlines where he worked until he retired in 2006. While in Texas he was very active at Christ the King Lutheran and later Calvary Lutheran Church as well as in Cursillo/Via de Cristo of North Texas and Kairos Prison Ministries. He is survived by his wife Gail of 56 years, brother Tom, sister Barbara, sisters Peggy, Laura, Connie and brother John Paul, son Steven (Kathy), son Timothy (DeLisa), daughter Julianne (Wayne), son Andrew (Marcia), 7 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren & extended family.