



Randy Elwyn Goetz

June 5, 2025

February 8, 1955
birth

March 19, 1955
baptism

March 26, 2025
death

GATHERING

PRELUDE

GREETING AND WELCOME

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

A And also with you.

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.
A 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.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

(hymn) 835

"All Creatures, Worship God Most High!"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.
O God of grace and glory,
we remember before you today our brother, Randy Elwyn.
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 us who mourn.
Give us your aid, so we may see in death the gate to eternal life,
that we may continue our course on earth in confidence
until, by your call, we are reunited
with those who have gone before us;

through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A Amen.

WORD

READINGS

Each reading will end, "Word of God. Word of life."

Please respond **"Thanks be to God."**

First Reading

Psalms 121

Second Reading

I Corinthians 15:51-57

Third Reading

Romans 8:32-35, 37-39

SERMON

HYMN

"For All the Saints"

(hymn) 422

verses 1-2, 6-7

CREED

P We have been made God's people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

A I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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

*Each petition will end "God of mercy,"
Please respond "hear our prayer."*

LORD'S PRAYER (1789)

All Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

REMEMBRANCES

SENDING

HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

(hymn) 836

FAREWELL AND COMMENDATION

P Randy, our companion in faith,
we entrust you to God.
Go forth from this world in the love of God who created you,
in the mercy of Jesus who died for you,
in the power of the Holy Spirit who receives and protects you.
All May you rest in peace and rise in glory,
where pain and grief are banished,
and life and joy are yours forever.
P Into your hands, O merciful Savior,
and in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection
we commend your servant, Randy Elwyn.

Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold,
a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming.
Receive him into the arms of your mercy,
into the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

P Rest eternal grant him, O Lord;
All and let light perpetual shine upon him.

BLESSING

P The risen Christ give you all joy and peace in believing
that you may abound in hope.
Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit
bless you now and forever.

All Amen.

Let us go forth in peace.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

POSTLUDE

*The congregation is invited to gather for a reception and mutual conversation and
consolation.*

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SERVING TODAY

Pastor Stephanie Friesen	<i>presiding</i>
Reverend Laurie Natwick	<i>preaching</i>
Barrett Goetz, son	<i>remembrances & urn bearer</i>
Max & Zoey Goetz, grandchildren	<i>honorary urn bearers</i>
David Fienen	<i>organist</i>
Mark Kieffer	<i>sound operator</i>

MEMORIALS may be directed to:

A memorial gift will be given to a charity in honor of Randy in the near future.

INTERMENT

Will be done at a future date.

THANK YOU

The family of Randy wishes to thank the many special people who were a significant part of Randy's life and faith, and those who provided care for Randy. We have all been enriched by your generosity and love.

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Randy Goetz

1955 – 2025



Randy Goetz was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He passed away on March 26, 2025, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, surrounded by his husband, son and daughter.

He was born on February 8, 1955, in Halliday, North Dakota. Randy's life was a testament to love, family and perseverance. Randy was known for his kindness, humor, love of the arts and music and an incredible sense of fashion.

After 38 years as an accomplished attorney at Thomson Reuters, Randy enjoyed spending his retired years at his winter home in Palm Springs, spoiling his grandchildren and achieving a long-term goal of becoming a professional floral designer. He believed in the power of family and dedicated his life to creating a loving, supportive home. Randy's stories, advice and holiday décor will be remembered and cherished by all who knew him.

Randy is survived by his husband Kevin Grewe, daughter Courtney (Todd Stabenow), son Barrett (Jalisa), grandchildren Max and Zoey, brothers Bob and Jerry and stepsons Erik Wiegele and Chris Grewe – and all who will continue to honor his legacy by living their lives to the fullest.

He was preceded in death by his wife Cindy, parents Pearl and Elmer and beloved nephews Brandon and Cameron Goetz. Rest eternal grant him, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them all.



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