

"In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm

What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease

My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save

'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave, He rose again

And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny

No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand



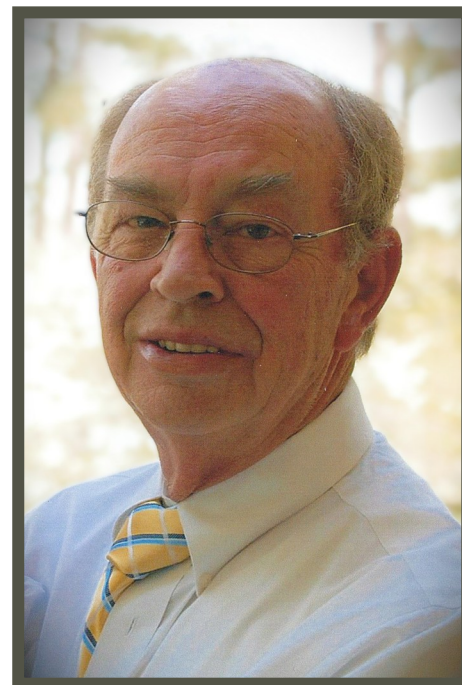
Officiant: Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan

Organist: Mr. Bill Johns



A Celebration of the Life and Witness to the Resurrection

Mr. Erwin Cason Griffin Jr.



March 2, 1943 – August 5, 2026



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Sunday, August 23, 2026 at 2:00 PM in the Sanctuary

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Order of Worship

** Please Stand if Able*

Prelude | “Old Rugged Cross” | Karyn Taylor, soloist

Welcome | Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan

Prayer

* Hymn 525: “Here I Am, Lord”

Music | “The Goodness of God” | Stan Perry, soloist

Words from the Grandchildren |

Liza, Virginia, Olivia, Rachel, Sydney & Ethan

Words from the Children | Jeff & Laura

Scripture Readings | Psalm 90; Matthew 25:21

Homily: “Well Done Pete” | Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan

Musical Interlude | “In Christ Alone” | Bill Johns, organist
(lyrics on reverse side)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

* Hymn 280: “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”

* Benediction

* “Irish Blessing”

*May the road rise to meet you, may the wind blow at your back, may the sun
shine warmly on your face, may the rain fall softly on your fields; and until we
meet again, until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.*

Amen.

Postlude

*The family invites you to greet them in the Atrium of the church
following the service. A burial will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery.*

Erwin Cason Griffin, beloved husband of 55 years to Linda Mashburn Griffin, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at home with his family.

Born in Edenton, North Carolina, on March 2, 1943, he was the son of Erwin and Grace Griffin, who affectionately called him Sonny. He was a 1961 graduate of John A. Holmes High School where he played tight end on the 1960 State Championship Football Team. After graduating from N.C. State University in Math and History, Pete became a lifetime Wolfpack fan, and later a USC Gamecock fan. He was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. Pete spent over 40 years in the insurance industry. He received his IIA, Insurance Institute America Certification in 1977 and the CPCU, Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter Designation in 1980. As a Senior Consultant/Project Lead, he was given the opportunity to work in over 30 states including Hawaii, and to travel the world to destinations such as South Africa, Great Britain, South America, and Bermuda.

Throughout his life, Pete had the privilege of serving in many leadership roles with church, civic, and community organizations. He was a member of Kiwanis where he worked with special needs children. He coached Dentsville Youth Football and First Baptist Basketball teams. He was a founding member of North Springs Basketball Youth League. Pete served as PTO President of E.L. Wright Middle School and founding member of E.L. Wright Education Foundation. He was a member of District II Superintendent’s Advisory Committee and District II Parent’s Advisory Committee. As a member of Spring Valley Presbyterian Church since 1985, Pete served in a variety of roles including as a Deacon, Elder and Confirmation teacher for 10 years. Most importantly, playing golf at Spring Valley Country Club, fishing with Jim at the beach, and reading American History books were lifetime loves!

Pete will be remembered as a constant inspiration and source of profound love for his family. In addition to Linda, he is survived by his son Jeff Griffin and wife Kristen; and his daughter Laura Shah and husband Keith; six grandchildren, Liza Griffin, Virginia Griffin, Rachel Griffin, Olivia Shah, Sydney Shah, and Ethan Shah. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his brother Reggie Griffin.

Memorials may be made to Spring Valley Presbyterian Church Building Fund. Special thanks and love to Logan, Mindy, and Cassandra of homeRN caregiving.