



KIRK OF THE WAY

Presbyterian Church

A Vanguard Presbyterian Church

“God is calling His people to worship Himself alone.”



Order of Worship for Sunday, July 20, 2025

Preparation for Worship

[1 Timothy 1:17 \(LSB\)](#)

Now to the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God,
be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Welcome and Call to Worship

Psalm 33:1-6

(LSB)

Sing for joy in Yahweh, O righteous ones;
Praise is becoming to the upright.

**Give thanks to Yahweh with the lyre;
Sing praises to Him with a harp of ten strings.**

Sing to Him a new song;
Play skillfully with a loud shout.

**For the word of Yahweh is upright,
And all His work is done in faithfulness.**

He loves righteousness and justice;
The earth is full of the lovingkindness of Yahweh.

**By the word of Yahweh the heavens were made,
And by the breath of His mouth call their host.**

Psalm of Worship and Adoration
Psalm 33 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
With Joy Let Us Sing to the Lord
Verses 1-5

Salutation and Response

In the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost!

Amen

Yahweh be with you!

And also with you!

Our help is in the Name of Yahweh

Who made heaven and earth!

The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit.

A broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Praise

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The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

Confession of Faith
Westminster Confession of Faith
1.4-5, Of the Holy Scripture

The authority of the holy Scripture, for which it ought to be believed and obeyed, dependeth not upon the testimony of any man or church, but wholly upon God (who is truth itself), the Author thereof; and therefore it is to be received, because it is the Word of God.

We may be moved and induced by the testimony of the Church to an high and reverent esteem of the holy Scripture; and the heavenliness of the matter, the efficacy of the doctrine, the majesty of the style, the consent of all the parts, the scope of the whole (which is to give all glory to God), the full discovery it makes of the only way of man's salvation, the many other incomparable excellencies, and the entire perfection thereof, are arguments whereby it doth abundantly evidence itself to be the Word of God; yet, notwithstanding, our full persuasion and assurance of the infallible truth and divine authority thereof, is from the inward work of the Holy Spirit, bearing witness by and with the Word in our hearts.

Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father And to the Son And to the Holy Ghost!
As it was in the beginning, Is now and ever shall be:
World without end! Amen, amen.**

Corporate Confession of Sin

My Father, enlarge my heart, warm my affections, open my lips, supply words that proclaim, "Love lustres at Calvary." There grace removes my burdens and heaps them on Thy Son, made a transgressor, a curse, and sin for me; there the sword of Thy justice smote the Man, Thy fellow; there Thy infinite attributes were magnified, and infinite atonement was made; there infinite punishment was due, and infinite punishment was endured. Christ was all anguish that I might be all joy, cast off that I might be brought in, trodden down as an enemy that I might be welcomed as a friend, surrendered to hell's worst that I might attain heaven's best, stripped that I might be clothed, wounded that I might be healed, athirst that I might drink, tormented that I might be comforted, made a shame that I might inherit glory, entered darkness that I might have eternal light. ... O that my every breath might be ecstatic praise, my every step buoyant with delight, as I see my enemies crushed, Satan baffled, defeated, destroyed, sin buried in the ocean of reconciling blood, hell's gates closed, heaven's portal open. Go forth, O conquering God, and show me the cross, mighty to subdue, comfort, and save.

(Valley of Vision, pp. 42-3)

Individual Confession of Sin

Take a moment for individual silent confession of sin.

Assurance of Pardon

[2 Timothy 2:11-13](#)

(LSB)

It is a trustworthy saying: For if we died with Him, we will also live with Him; If we endure, we will also reign with Him; If we will deny Him, He also will deny us; If we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself.

By grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone according to Scripture alone to the glory of God alone, our sins are wondrously forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Rejoicing
Hymn #245 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Verses 1-4

Passing of the Peace

Having made peace with the Father by His Son our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ through the powerful work of the Holy Spirit, we can have peace with one another.

May the peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

(Greet one another by saying, "May the peace of Christ be with you," and responding, "And also with you!")

Prayers of Rest and Supplication

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Scripture Reading

Psalm 139

(LSB)

For the choir director. Of David. A Psalm.

O Yahweh, You have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You understand my thought from afar. You scrutinize my path and my lying down, And are intimately acquainted with all my ways. Even before there is a word on my tongue, Behold, O Yahweh, You know it all. You have enclosed me behind and before, And You have put Your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is too high, I cannot attain to it.

Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend to heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there. If I lift up the wings of the dawn, If I dwell in the remotest part of the sea, Even there Your hand will lead me, And Your right hand will lay hold of me. If I say, "Surely the darkness will bruise me, And the light around me will be night," Even the darkness is not too dark for You, And the night is as bright as the day. Darkness and light are alike to You. For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb. I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And intricately woven in the depths of the earth; Your eyes have seen my unshaped substance; And in Your book all of them were written The days that were formed for me, When as yet there was not one of them. How precious are Your thoughts to me, O God! How vast is the sum of them! If I should count them, they would outnumber the sand. When I awake, I am still with You. Oh that You would slay the wicked, O God! O men of bloodshed, depart from me. For they speak against You wickedly, And Your enemies take Your name in vain. Do I not hate those who hate You, O Yahweh? And do I not revile those who rise up against You? I hate them with the utmost hatred; They have become my enemies. Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me and know my anxious thoughts; And see if there be any hurtful way in me, And lead me in the everlasting way.

Worship through Giving

Yahweh has generously given us both temporal and eternal life.
Let us joyfully give Him a small token of our gratitude as He leads.

Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him all creatures here below!
Praise Him above, ye, heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

The Air Swarms with Flies (Part 2) [Exodus 8:25-32](#)

God—though patient—refuses to negotiate with Pharaoh.

I. A Chance to Compromise

II. A Chance to Compromise ... Less

III. Another Chance to ... Repent

Song of Response
Hymn #532 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Be Still, My Soul
Verses 1-2

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation and Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Distribution of the Elements

Song of Dedication
Hymn #532 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Be Still, My Soul
Verses 3-4

Benediction
Titus 3:3-7
(LSB)

For we ourselves also once were foolish, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, despicable, hating one another. But when the kindness and affection of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not by works which we did in righteousness, but according to His mercy, through the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that having been justified by His grace, we would become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Hymn of Dismissal
Hymn #297 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!
Verse 5

Taking the Word into the World
Romans 11:33, 36
(LSB)

33 Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways!
36 For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.
To Him be the glory forever. Amen.

Great Commission Discipleship

Sunday Worship @ Olathe Swygards

Foundations - Systematic Theology @ 9:30AM

Prayer in Faith @ 10:15AM

Covenantal Worship by Word, Sacraments, and Prayer @ 10:45AM

Discipleship in Olathe and Online

John on Wednesdays @ 7:00PM in Olathe and on Zoom

Westminster Confession of Faith Thursdays @ 6:30 in Olathe and on Zoom

What Sets Us Apart

Kirk of the Way Presbyterian Church is Kansas City's first local congregation of the Vanguard Presbyterian Church.

Presbyterians faithful to Scripture uphold a high view of covenant, sound doctrine, the sovereignty of God in salvation, and plurality of leadership that mutually maintains accountability to the unchanging standard of truth and wisdom God has established and revealed.

Vanguard was established in 2020 to be distinctive — primarily — on these three principles:

- 1) **Faithfulness:** all elders believe in the inspired, infallible, inerrant, and sufficient Word of God down to the letter, and they take no exceptions to the Westminster Standards.
- 2) **Accountability:** all committees are accountable to the entire body of elders.
- 3) **Growth:** all Vanguard churches are seeking to plant and grow churches by finding the lost evangelistically and discipling believers to believe God, to hope in God, and to love God and neighbor, all by the means of grace: worship, Scripture, sacraments, prayer, and increasing obedience — and all because of His eternal, covenantal love for His people.

[Come and see Jesus! Come and live by faith! Love and worship Him! Soli Deo Gloria!](#)

Weekly Rhythm

Sunday School, Prayer, and Covenantal Worship.....	Sundays beginning @ 9:30AM
Discipleship Bible Study.....	Wednesdays beginning @ 6:45PM
Westminster Confession of Faith.....	Thursdays beginning @ 6:30PM

For more information

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