



KIRK OF THE WAY

Presbyterian Church

A Vanguard Presbyterian Church

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



Order of Worship for Sunday, August 10, 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 86:1-6

(LSB)

Incline Your ear, O Yahweh, and answer me;
For I am afflicted and needy.

**Keep my soul, for I am a holy one;
O You my God, save Your slave who trusts in You.**

Be gracious to me, O Lord,
For to You I call all day long.

**Make glad the soul of Your slave,
For to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.**

For You, Lord, are good, and by nature forgiving,
And abundant in lovingkindness to all who call upon You.

**Give ear, O Yahweh, to my prayer;
And give heed to the voice of my supplications!**

Hymn of Worship and Adoration
Hymn 212 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Come, Thou Almighty King
Verses 1-4

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

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the virgin Mary;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell.
The third day He arose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven;
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy catholic* church; the communion of saints;
The forgiveness of sins;
The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

*catholic = Latin for universal, i.e., all who are in Christ by grace alone through faith alone.

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

O Thou terrible meek, let not pride swell my heart. My nature is the mire beneath my feet, the dust to which I shall return. In body I surpass not the meanest reptile; whatever difference of form and intellect is mine, is a free grant of Thy goodness; every faculty of mind and body is Thy undeserved gift. Low as I am as a creature, I am lower as a sinner; I have trampled Thy law times without number; sin's deformity is stamped upon me, darkens my brow touches me with corruption: how can I flaunt myself proudly? Lowest abasement is my due place, for I am less than nothing before Thee. Help me to see myself in Thy sight, then pride must wither, decay, die, perish. Humble my heart before Thee and replenish it with Thy choicest gifts. As water rests not on barren hill summits, but flows down to fertilize lowest vales, so make me the lowest of the lowly, that my spiritual riches may exceedingly abound. ... When I escape, may I ascribe all deliverance to Thy grace. Keep my humble, meek, lowly.

(Valley of Vision, pg. 88)

Individual Confession of Sin

Take a moment for individual silent confession of sin.

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 57:15

(LSB)

For thus says the One high and lifted up Who dwells forever, whose name is Holy, "I dwell on a high and holy place, And also with the crushed and lowly of spirit In order to revive the spirit of the lowly And to revive the heart of the crushed.

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 #220 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Give Praise to God
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

1 Samuel 15:10-23

(LSB)

Then the word of Yahweh came to Samuel, saying,
"I regret that I have made Saul king, for he has turned back from following Me and has not established My words." And Samuel became angry and cried out to Yahweh all night. Then Samuel rose early in the morning to meet Saul; and it was told to Samuel, saying, "Saul came to Carmel, and behold, he set up a monument for himself, then turned and proceeded on down to Gilgal."

And Samuel came to Saul, and Saul said to him, "Blessed are you of Yahweh! I have established the word of Yahweh." But Samuel said,

“What then is this sound of the sheep in my ears and the sound of the oxen which I am hearing?”

And Saul said, “They have brought them from the Amalekites, for the people spared the best of the sheep and oxen, to sacrifice to Yahweh your God; but the rest we have devoted to destruction.”

Then Samuel said to Saul, “Wait, and let me tell you what Yahweh spoke to me last night.” And he said to him, “Speak!”

And Samuel said, “Is it not true, though you were little in your own eyes, you were made the head of the tribes of Israel? And Yahweh anointed you king over Israel, and Yahweh sent you on a mission and said, ‘Go and devote to destruction the sinners, the Amalekites, and fight against them until they are consumed.’ “Why then did you not obey the voice of Yahweh, but rushed upon the spoil and did what was evil in the eyes of Yahweh?”

Then Saul said to Samuel, “I did obey the voice of Yahweh and went on the way on which Yahweh sent me and have brought back Agag the king of Amalek and have devoted the Amalekites to destruction. “But the people took some of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the choicest of the things devoted to destruction, to sacrifice to Yahweh your God at Gilgal.”

And Samuel said,

“Has Yahweh as much delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices
As in obeying the voice of Yahweh?

Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice,
And to heed than the fat of rams.

“For rebellion is as the sin of divination,
And insubordination is as wickedness and idolatry.
Because you have rejected the word of Yahweh,
He has also rejected you from being king.”

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!

Hail Falls from the Sky, Part 1 [Exodus 9:13-21](#)

God begins His third cycle of plagues with a long and clear warning.

I. “So That You May Know”

II. “For This Reason”

III. “So Send and Bring”

Song of Response
Hymn #340 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood
Verses 1-3

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation and Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Distribution of the Elements

Song of Dedication
Hymn #340 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood
Verses 4-5

Benediction
Philippians 4:4-9
(LSB)

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! Let your considerate spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and petition with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is dignified, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, consider these things. The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Psalm of Dismissal
Psalm #108 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
My Heart Is Steadfast, God!
Verses 3-4

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

Hebrews on Thursdays @ 6:30PM 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 @ 7:00PM
Westminster Confession of Faith.....	Thursdays beginning @ 6:30PM

For more information

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