



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 24, 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 24:7-10

(LSB)

Lift up your heads, O gates,
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
That the King of glory may come in!

**Who is this King of glory?
Yahweh strong and mighty,
Yahweh mighty in battle.**

Lift up your heads, O gates,
And lift yourselves up, O ancient doors,
That the King of glory may come in!

**Who is He, this King of glory?
Yahweh of hosts,
He is the King of glory.**

Hymn of Worship and Adoration
Hymn 252 of the Trinity Psalter Hymnal
This Is My Father's World
Verses 1-3

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 Shorter Catechism
Questions 8-10

8. How doth God execute His decrees?

God executeth His decrees in the works of creation and providence.

9. What is the work of creation?

The work of creation is God's making all things of nothing, by the word of His power, in the space of six days, and all very good.

10. How did God create man?

God created man male and female, after His own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness, with dominion over the creatures.

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 Lord, I marvel that Thou shouldst become incarnate, be crucified, dead, and buried. The sepulchre calls forth my adoring wonder, for it is empty and Thou art risen; the four-fold gospel attests it, the living witnesses prove it, my heart's experience knows it. Give me to die with Thee that I may rise to new life, for I wish to be as dead and buried to sin, to selfishness, to the world; that I might not hear the voice of the charmer, and might be delivered from his lusts. O Lord, there is much ill about me — crudify it, much flesh within me — mortify it. Purge me from selfishness, the fear of man, the love of approbation, the shame of being thought old-fashioned, the desire to be cultivated or modern. ... Grant me more and more of the resurrection life: may it rule me, may I walk in its power, and be strengthened through its influence.

(Valley of Vision, pg. 94)

Individual Confession of Sin

Take a moment for individual silent confession of sin.

Assurance of Pardon

[Romans 7:24-8:1](#)

(LSB)

Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from the body of this death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, on the one hand I myself with my mind am serving the law of God, but on the other, with my flesh the law of sin. Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

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 #248 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
All Creatures of Our God and King
Verses 1-5

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

Colossians 1:1-23

(LSB)

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. We give thanks to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and the love which you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven, of which you previously heard in the word of truth, the gospel which has come to you, just as in all the world also it is constantly bearing fruit and multiplying, just as it has been doing in you also since the day you heard and understood the grace of God in truth; just as you

learned it from Epaphras, our beloved fellow slave, who is a faithful servant of Christ on our behalf, who also informed us of your love in the Spirit. For this reason also, since the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the full knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and multiplying in the full knowledge of God; being strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. Who rescued us from the authority of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, And in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church; Who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything. For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, And through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross—through Him—whether things on earth or things in heaven. And although you were formerly alienated and enemies in mind and in evil deeds, but now He reconciled you in the body of His flesh through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach—if indeed you continue in the faith firmly grounded and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which you have heard, which was proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, was made a minister.

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 3 [Exodus 9:27-35](#)

YHWH makes known that He is Lord over all that He has made.

I. Bargaining with God

II. Barley Struck Down

III. Baring Our Souls

Song of Response
Hymn #292 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
Verses 1-2

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation and Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Distribution of the Elements

Song of Dedication
Hymn #292 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
Verses 3-4

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 7-8

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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