



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 31, 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 43

(LSB)

Give justice to me, O God,
and plead my case against an unholy nation;
Oh protect me from the deceitful and unrighteous man!

**For You are the God of my strength; why have You rejected me?
Why do I go mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?**

Oh send out Your light and Your truth, let them lead me;
Let them bring me to Your holy mountain
And to Your dwelling places.

**Then I will go to the altar of God,
To God my exceeding joy;
And upon the lyre I shall praise You, O God, my God.**

Why are you in despair, O my soul?
And why are you disturbed within me?

**Wait for God, for I shall still praise Him,
The salvation of my presence and my God.**

Psalm 43B of Worship and Adoration

Psalm 43B of the Trinity Psalter Hymnal

Judge Me, God of My Salvation

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
Westminster Shorter Catechism
Questions 51-52

51. What is forbidden in the second commandment?

The second commandment forbiddeth the worshipping of God by images, or any other way not appointed in His Word.

52. What are the reasons annexed to the second commandment?

The reasons annexed to the second commandment are, God's sovereignty over us, His propriety in us, and the zeal He hath to His own worship.

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 giving God, my heart is drawn out in thankfulness to Thee, for Thy amazing grace and condescension to me in influences and assistances of Thy Spirit, for special help in prayer, for the sweetness of Christian service, for the thoughts of arriving in heaven, for always sending me needful supplies, for raising me to new life when I am like one dead. I want not the favor of man to lean upon, for Thy favor is infinitely better. Thou art eternal wisdom in dispensations towards me; and it matters not when, nor where, nor how I serve Thee, nor what trials I am exercised with, if I might but be prepared for Thy work and will. No poor

creature stands in need of divine grace more than I do, and yet none abuses it more than I have done, and still do. How heartless and dull I am! Humble me in the dust for not loving Thee more. Every time I exercise any grace renewedly, I am renewedly indebted to Thee, the God of all grace, for special assistance. I cannot boast when I think how dependent I am upon Thee for the being and every act of grace; I never do anything else but depart from Thee, and if ever I get to heaven it will be because Thou wilt it, and for no reason beside. I love, as a feeble, afflicted, despised creature, to cast myself on Thy infinite grace and goodness, hoping for no happiness but from Thee; give me special grace to fit me for special services, and keep me calm and resigned at all times, humble, solemn, mortified, and conformed to Thy will.

(Valley of Vision, pg. 61)

Individual Confession of Sin

Take a moment for individual silent confession of sin.

Assurance of Pardon

1 Peter 5:10

(LSB)

And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself restore, strengthen, confirm, and ground you.

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 #433 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Amazing Grace
Verses 1-6

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

Revelation 6

(LSB)

Then I looked when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures saying as with a voice of thunder, "Come." Then I looked, and behold, a white horse, and he who sits on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out overcoming and to overcome. And when He opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature saying, "Come." And another, a red horse, went out; and to him who sits on it, it was given to him to take peace from the earth, and that men would slay one another; and a great sword was given to him. And when He opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature saying, "Come." Then I looked, and behold, a black horse; and he who sits on it had a pair of scales in his

hand. And I heard something like a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, "One choenix of wheat for one denarius, and three choenix of barley for one denarius, and do not harm the oil and the wine." And when He opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, "Come." Then I looked, and behold, a pale horse; and he who sits on it had the name Death, and Hades was following with him. Authority was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by the wild beasts of the earth. And when He opened the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God, and because of the witness which they had maintained; and they cried out with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Master, holy and true? Will You not judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" And a white robe was given to each of them; and it was told to them that they should rest for a little while longer, until the number of their fellow slaves and their brothers who were to be killed even as they had been, would be completed also. Then I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth made of hair, and the whole moon became like blood; and the stars of the sky fell to the earth, as a fig tree casts its unripe figs when shaken by a great wind. And the sky was split apart like a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the commanders and the rich and the strong and every slave and free man HID THEMSELVES IN THE CAVES and among the rocks of the mountains; and they SAID TO THE MOUNTAINS AND TO THE ROCKS, "FALL ON US AND HIDE US from the presence of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, for the great DAY OF their WRATH has come, and who is able to stand?"

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!

Locusts Consume What Remains, Part 1

[**Exodus 10:1-6**](#)

God's hardening Pharaoh's heart was in order to
reveal His glory to all nations and to all generations.

I. God's Ultimate End

II. Pharaoh's Umpteenth Chance

III. Locusts' Consuming Feast

Song of Response
Hymn #531 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Nearer, Still Nearer
Verses 1-2

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation and Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Distribution of the Elements

Song of Dedication
Hymn #531 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Nearer, Still Nearer
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!
Verse 9

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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