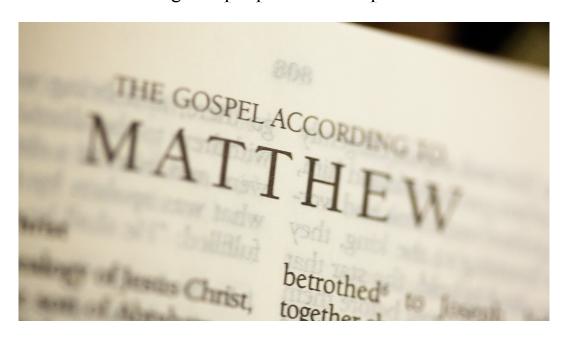


KIRK OF THE WAY

Presbyterian Church

A Vanguard Presbyterian Church

"God is calling His people to worship Himself alone."



Order of Worship for Sunday, March 17, 2024

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 138:1-6 (LSB)

I will give You thanks with all my heart; I will sing praises to You before the gods.

I will worship toward Your holy temple And give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.

On the day I called, You answered me; You made me bold with strength in my soul.

All the kings of the earth, O Yahweh, will give You thanks, When they hear the words of Your mouth.

And they will sing of the ways of Yahweh, For great is the glory of Yahweh.

For Yahweh is high, Yet He sees the lowly, But the one who exalts himself He knows from afar.

Psalm of Worship and Adoration

Psalm 138B of Trinity Psalter Hymnal With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring Tune = My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less 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 Confession of Faith Chapter 13.1-3, Of Sanctification

They, who are once effectually called, and regenerated, having a new heart, and a new spirit created in them, are further sanctified, really and personally, through the virtue of Christ's death and resurrection, by His Word and Spirit dwelling in them: the dominion of the whole body of sin is destroyed, and the several lusts thereof are more and more weakend and mortified; and they more and more quickened and strengthened in all saving graces, to the practice of true holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.

This sanctification is throughout, in the whole man; yet imperfect in this life, there abiding still some remnants of corruption in every part; whence ariseth a continual and irreconcilable war, the flesh lusting against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh.

In which war, although the remaining corruption, for a time, may much prevail; yet, through the continual supply of strength from the sanctifying Spirit of Christ, the regenerate part doth overcome; and so, the saints grow in grace, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

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 Yahweh, our Lord, how majestic is Your Name in all the earth. You are exalted, and we turn our gaze from You all too often. We are too conscious of ourselves and of our deeds, alternating from thinking they are too terrible to forgive or good enough to earn merit. Teach us to forget our deeds and to focus on You. Teach us to love You such that we see only Your merit. Teach us to love our neighbor such that we see only You. Teach us to forgive such that we can have assurance of Your forgiveness of our many faults. We love You. Help our lack of love. Amen.

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.

In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Rejoicing

Hymn #431 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal And Can It Be? 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

Psalm 2 (LSB)

Why do the nations rage
And the peoples meditate on a vain thing?
The kings of the earth take their stand
And the rulers take counsel together
Against Yahweh and against His Anointed, saying,
"Let us tear their fetters apart
And cast away their cords from us!"

He who sits in the heavens laughs,

The Lord mocks them.

Then He speaks to them in His anger

And terrifies them in His fury, saying,

"But as for Me, I have installed My King

Upon Zion, My holy mountain."

"I will surely tell of the decree of Yahweh:

He said to Me, 'You are My Son,

Today I have begotten You.

'Ask of Me, and I will surely give the nations as Your inheritance,

And the ends of the earth as Your possession.

'You shall break them with a rod of iron,

You shall shatter them like a potter's vessel.""

So now, O kings, show insight;

Take warning, O judges of the earth.

Serve Yahweh with fear

And rejoice with trembling.

Kiss the Son, lest He become angry, and you perish in the way,

For His wrath may soon be kindled.

How blessed are all who take refuge in Him!

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!

Be Ready (Part 8) Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus separates His sheep from the goats according to His covenantal love.

I. Separation

II. Commendation

III. Condemnation

Song of Response

Hymn #488 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal May the Mind of Christ My Savior Verses 1-3

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation and Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Distribution of the Elements

Song of Dedication

Hymn #488 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal May the Mind of Christ My Savior Verses 4-6

Benediction

Revelation 22:17, 20-21 (LSB)

And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come. Let the one who wishes receive the water of life without cost. ... He who bears witness to these things says, "Yes, I am coming quickly." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

Hymn of Dismissal

Hymn #227 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal How Great Thou Art (Begin singing with the music) Verse 4

Taking the World 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.

Reminders & Events

Outreach: The Call to the Wedding Feast "What is the gospel?"

Discipleship: 1 **Peter Bible Study** Wednesdays @ 6:45 PM @ Olathe Swygards

Worship in Covenant: Sunday School and Service Sundays @ 9:30AM and 10:30AM @ Olathe Swygards

What Sets Us Apart

Kirk of the Way Presbyterian Church is a small gathering of disciples whom God has sought, bought, and caught. Because God has extended His eternal, covenantal love to us, we are: **overwhelmed** with love for Him; **enthralled** with worshiping Him; **delighted** to love one another, our neighbors, and the nations; and are **pleased** to work in His strength to plant healthy, faithful churches that plant healthy, faithful churches.

We are Kansas City's first local congregation of the Vanguard Presbyterian Church. The Vanguard denomination was launched in 2020 for three primary reasons: 1) to be **faithful** to the full counsel of God as revealed in Scripture and summarized in the Westminster Standards; 2) to **maintain** church polity in submission to God; and 3) to **grow** and **plant** disciple-making churches through evangelism, discipleship, and worship through Word, sacraments, and prayer in all lands because of the love from God through the grace that God supplies to the glory of God's justice and mercy.

Come and see Jesus! Come and live by faith! Come and worship Him! Soli Deo Gloria!



More about why we worship the way we do can be found by following this code:

Location	
Sunday School	Sundays @ 9:30 AM
Covenantal Worship	
Evangelistic Outreach	
Weekly Bible Study	
Outreach Bible Studies	

For more information

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