



KIRK OF THE WAY

Presbyterian Church

A Vanguard Presbyterian Church

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



Order of Worship for Sunday, April 14, 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 63:1-5

(LSB)

O God, You are my God;
I shall seek You earnestly;

**My soul thirsts for You, my flesh yearns for you,
In a dry and weary land without water.**

Thus I have beheld You in the sanctuary,
To see Your power and Your glory.

**Because Your lovingkindness is better than life,
My lips will laud You.**

Thus I will bless You as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands in Your Name.

**My soul is satisfied as with fatness and richness,
And my mouth offers praises with lips of joyful songs.**

Psalm of Worship and Adoration
Psalm 63A of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
O God, You Are My God Alone
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

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 is from the Latin word meaning universal, i.e., all who are in Christ alone 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 my Savior, help me!

I am slow to learn, prone to forget, and weak to climb;

I am in the foothills when I should be on the heights;

I am pained by my graceless heart, my prayerless days, my poverty of love, my sloth in the heavenly race, my sullied conscience, my wasted hours, my unspent opportunities.

I am blind while the light shines around me:

take the scales from my eyes, grind to dust my heart of unbelief.

Make it my highest joy

to study You, meditate on You, gaze on You,

sit like Mary at Your feet,

lean like John on Your breast,

appeal like Peter to Your love,

count like Paul all things but dung.

I believe; help my unbelief.

Amen.

Individual Confession of Sin

Take a moment for individual silent confession of sin.

Assurance of Pardon

[Ephesians 2:4-5](#)

(LSB)

But God, being rich in mercy because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ.

In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Rejoicing
Hymn #411 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns
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

Isaiah 55:1-13

(LSB)

“Ho! Every one who thirsts, come to the waters; And you who have no money come, buy and eat. Come, buy wine and milk Without money and without cost. Why do you spend money for what is not bread, And your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, And delight your soul in richness. Incline your ear and come to Me. Listen, that your soul may live; And I will cut an everlasting covenant with you, According to the faithful

lovingkindnesses of David. Behold, I have given him as a witness to the peoples, A ruler and commander for the peoples. Behold, you will call a nation you do not know, And a nation which knows you not will run to you, Because of Yahweh your God, even the Holy One of Israel; For He has adorned you with beautiful glory.”

Seek Yahweh while He may be found; Call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way And the unrighteous man his thoughts; And let him return to Yahweh, And He will have compassion on him, And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon. “For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways,” declares Yahweh. “For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways And my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, And do not return there without watering the earth And making it bear and sprout, And giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, So will My word be which goes forth from My mouth; It will not return to Me empty, Without accomplishing what pleases Me, And without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it. For you will go out with gladness And be led forth with peace; The mountains and the hills will break forth into shouts of joy before you, And all the trees of the field will clap their hands. Instead of the thorn bush the cypress will come up, And instead of the nettle the myrtle will come up, And it will be to Yahweh for His renown, For an everlasting sign which will not be cut off.”

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!

Examples of Extravagance and Exasperation [Matthew 26:6-16](#)

Exemplary extravagance for God meets with selfish exasperation.

I. Extravagance

II. Example

III. Exasperation

Song of Response
Hymn #456 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners
Verses 1-3

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation and Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Distribution of the Elements

Song of Dedication
Hymn #456 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners
Verses 4-5

Benediction
2 Thessalonians 1:11-12
(LSB)

To this end also we pray for you always, that our God will count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill all your good pleasure for goodness and the work of faith with power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus will be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn of Dismissal
Hymn #277 of Trinity Psalter Hymnal
Before the Throne of God Above
Verses 1-3

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.

Reminders & Events

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

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

Covenantal Worship: 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.....	2129 E. 152nd Terrace, Olathe, KS 66062
Sunday School.....	Sundays @ 9:30 AM
Covenantal Worship.....	Sundays @ 10:45 AM
Evangelistic Outreach.....	As we are going
Weekly Bible Study.....	Wednesdays @ 6:45PM
Outreach Bible Studies.....	As and Where Needed

For more information
kirkoftheway.org
vanguardpresbyterianchurch.com