

JOHN CALVIN PRESBYTERY

Worship Bulletin

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Grace to you and peace from the one who is and who was and who is to come,
**and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler
of the kings of the earth.**

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of God's glory.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

OPENING HYMN Glory to God #9 “The Play of the Godhead”

CONFESSION AND PARDON

From Paul’s letter to the faithful in Rome, in chapter 3, verse 23 & 24 we read:

**All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; yet we are justified by the
gift of God’s grace through the redemption that is ours in Christ Jesus.**

Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin.

**Creative and loving God, you have searched us out and known us and all that
we are is open to you. We confess that we have sinned: we have put up walls
between ourselves and you, closing our hearts to your gifts. We have failed to
respect and honor the gifts you have given us in creation, earth and all living
things. We squander the inheritance of generations to come.**

**We have sinned against each other: we have put up walls between ourselves
and our neighbors, giving in to fear, ignorance, and arrogance. We are stained
by the sin of racism and fail to respect the gifts of all your peoples. We have
used our power to dominate and our weakness to manipulate; we have evaded
responsibility and failed to confront evil; we have trusted false gods and
listened to their promises; we have denied dignity to ourselves and to each
other; we have fallen into deep despair.**

In our despair we have forgotten you and have gone away from your path. Forgive us for what we have done to hurt others and the ways we have hurt your earth. Give us your blessing and help. Let us walk in your great love; through the great peacemaker, your Son, Jesus Christ.

(Moment of silent reflection and prayer)

Hear the good news! Because we were buried with Christ in these waters, we are also raised to life with him. Believe the gospel! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

GLORI PATRI

Glory to God #581 “Glory Be to the Father”

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Mark 12:28-34

The Message

HOMILY

“Yourself”

The Rev. Daniel M. Davis

Pastor 1st Presbyterian Church, Iola, KS and 2024 Moderator of John Calvin Presbytery

INSTALLATION OF 2025 PRESBYTERY MODERATOR AND COMMITTEE MODERATORS

Sentences of Scripture

Gal. 3:27–28 & Eph. 4:1–6

As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all are one in Christ Jesus.

Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling,

one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Call to Discipleship

We are called by God to be the church of Jesus Christ, a sign in the world today of what God intends for all humankind. From Book of Order, F-1.0304 we read:

**The great ends of the church are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind;
the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God;
the maintenance of divine worship;
the preservation of the truth;
the promotion of social righteousness;
and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.**

The call of Christ ...

Do you, members of John Calvin Presbytery, confirm the call of God to these sisters and brothers of the faith in the service of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Will you support and encourage them in this ministry?

We will.

Installation Prayer

Blessing and Charge

Brenda, Dennis, Dan, Mary Lynne and Toni, Reina, Bill, Reed, and Marsha, you are installed to service as Moderators and Vice Moderators of the various bodies in John Clavin Presbytery.

May the God of peace make you holy in every way, and keep your whole being, spirit, soul, and body, free from every fault at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. *1 Thess. 5:23*

Alleluia!

Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through him. *Col. 3:17*

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Glory to God #501 "Fed Us, Lord"

EUCCHARIST

OFFERING

(Today's offerings will go to the general fund of the Iola Area Ministerial Association which helps transients and others with emergency housing and the John Clavin Presbytery Creative Ministry grants.)

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

This is the joyful feast of the people of God!

We have come from the north and south, from the east and west to sit at table in the kingdom of God.

According to Luke 24.30-31 when our risen Lord was at table with two disciples after walking with them to Emmaus, he took bread, blessed and broke it and gave it to them.

May our eyes be opened to Jesus' presence among us this day.

This is the Lord's table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast that he has prepared.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessing, honor, and glory are yours, O God...

On the night Jesus was arrested and after he and his friends had eaten he picked up another piece of bread. He said a blessing over it, broke it, and gave it to his friends saying:

Take and eat a piece of this bread, it represents my body given to. Do this and remember me.

Then, like he did with the bread he took a cup, turned to his friends and said:

This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, remember me.

Send your Holy Spirit ... And now with the confidence of the children of God let us pray in the manner that Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Jesus said: I am the bread of life.

Jesus said: I am the vine; you are the branches.

Come to me and never be hungry; believe in me and never thirst.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The cup of salvation. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

CLOSING HYMN Glory to God #543 “God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me”

BLESSING AND CHARGE

Que el Dios de justicia nos conduzca
en medio de la furia de los mares.

**May the God of justice lead us
through the tumultuous seas.**

Que el Cristo solidario
renueve la fuerza de nuestros sueños.

**May the Christ who came to dwell among us
renew the strength of our dreams.**

Que el Espíritu Santo nos guíe a aguas tranquilas
donde reina la justicia, la solidaridad y la paz.

**May the Holy Spirit guide us to still waters
where justice, solidarity, and peace reign.**

AMEN!

—Red Createe, a liturgical network of Latin American Christians

POSTLUDE

Call to Worship and Prayer of the Day from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion c. 2015, page 254-255.
All other prayers and liturgy from Book of Common Worship.