



Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 2, 2026

Communion Sunday and 10th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

***Opening Hymn**

“Behold the Lamb”

***Call to Worship (from Psalm 145)**

Worship Leader

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People: The Lord is good to all, and God’s compassion is over all that God has made.

Leader: The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

People: The eyes of all look to you, God, and you give them their food in due season.

Leader: You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

People: The Lord is just in all God’s ways, and kind in all God’s doings.

All: The Lord is near to all who call on the Lord, to all who call on the Lord in truth.

A Time for Children

Dr. Yvan Kelly

(Children will go to Sunday School)

Gathering Prayer

Lois Morse

Call to Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Prayer of Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

People: Holy God, you have revealed yourself to us in Jesus Christ. Everything we need to know about you has been shown to us. Your goodness, mercy, healing, and renewal are on full display. But sometimes we do not see what is right before us. Sometimes we miss the miracle. We misunderstand you, and so we misunderstand the world. Forgive us, we pray. Restore to us the ability to see you as you reveal yourself to us. Renew within us the capacity to see your way in the world, in this life, and in the life that is to come.

Leader: Please continue in silent confession....Amen.

Leader: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see: everything has become new.

People: All this is from God, who reconciled us to God through Christ.

Leader: Believe the promise of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

Word

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 32:22-31

Lois Morse

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message

“When Mystery is Enough”

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Middle Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #12 v. 1, 2, & 4

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

The Lord’s Supper

Prayers of the People /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.

The Lord’s Supper

Giving Thanks to God with Our Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Song

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

People: Holy God, the world and all that is in it was made by your Word. You have blessed us with countless gifts of love. Receive our offerings as commitments of our intention to see the world through the eyes of your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Hymn**

“It Really is Amazing Grace”

Charge and Blessing

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Announcements

Help with the floors this week - Starting tomorrow afternoon at 4:00 p.m. and throughout the week, we need volunteers to help clean and buff the floors in the church. Please contact Mike Brodersen at 904.673.6773 for any questions.

Bunko August 8 - The next Bunko night will be held this Saturday, August 8, at 6:00 p.m. No experience is required, and it's fun for all ages. A \$10.00 donation is asked from each person and includes dessert. Prizes are awarded at the end of the evening.

Blessing of the Backpacks August 9 - On Sunday, August 9, let's send our students and teachers back to school with our prayers and blessings! Students and teachers, please bring your backpacks and briefcases to church for a time of prayer and blessings during worship.

Session Meeting August 9 - The Session will meet after worship on Sunday, August 9.

Presbyterian Women's Dinner August 10 - On Monday, August 10, all women are invited to attend the Presbyterian Women's Dinner at 6:00 p.m. at Olive Garden, 6050 Youngerman Circle, Jacksonville, 32244. If you plan on attending, please sign up on the sheet on the table in the Narthex.

Broken to Beautiful Support Group Meeting August 13 - The Broken to Beautiful Support Group will meet on Thursday, August 13, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Dinner and Comedy Show August 29 - DeAndre Stringer will be returning to Kirkwood Presbyterian Church on Saturday, August 29. The evening will start at 6:00 p.m. with a family-style spaghetti and meatball dinner (salad, rolls, dessert, and drinks all included). DeAndre's comedy show starts at 7:00 p.m. Tickets for the Comedy/Dinner show are on sale. See Deborah Ruth to purchase a ticket. Seating is limited, so purchase your tickets soon. The cost is \$30.00 per person (adult or child).

July 2026 Pledges

Actual Received \$ 10,366.92

Amount Pledged \$ 7,426.00

Difference +\$ 2,940.92

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