

Sunday Gathering Liturgy

The Coming King, Luke
12:35-48 - Bradley Bell

April 10, 2022

Luke: Upside Down 3

**Length
in mins**

**Audio/
Visual Band Person Vocals**

0:00 Call to Worship - John 12:12-13; Zechariah 9:9

Happy Palm Sunday to you! On this day we kick off what the church has historically called Holy Week. Here we remember and celebrate the final week leading up to the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It begins today with Palm Sunday, the day when Jesus rode triumphantly into Jerusalem as a suffering servant King.

As a picture of just how broken our world is, the people who cried out "Hosanna!" (which means "save us") would be the same ones who days later would cry out "Crucify him!" And yet we come reflecting the same irony: we are sinners in need of a Savior; we are people gathered to worship who have struggled at times to worship throughout the week. So let us shake off the sins and distractions that so easily entangle us, and let's welcome our King once again! Recall the words of the Scriptures:

12 The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. 13 So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" John 12:12-13

Let us respond with our own shout of praise:

****Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!****

The Scriptures continue,

Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey. Zechariah 9:9

Let us respond with this prayer:

****In praise we adore you, King Jesus!
Enter our hearts today
Even as you entered Jerusalem long ago.
Amen!****

0:00 *All Glory Laud and Honor* [Reawaken Hymns Arrangement in B]

0:00 Confession - Psalm 96:11-13; Luke 12:37

Church, Palm Sunday not only points us to Jesus' first coming as a suffering servant King, but also to his second coming as a conquering warrior King. We see this connection in Psalm 96:

11 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; 12 let the field exult, and everything in it! Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy 13 before the Lord, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness. Psalm 96:11-13

In acknowledgement that the King is coming soon, let's confess this to him together:

O Lord, we confess our hands are not clean, our hearts are not pure.
We confess that the mouths that seek to praise you often deny or defy you.
We confess that the hands that seek to serve you often become fists.
Forgive our spiritual sleepiness and make us ready for your return.

You who behold him, and choose to be cut to the heart today rather than waiting until the day he returns, hear this:

Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. Luke 12:37

0:00 *Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery* [Jason - E in E]

5:03 *King Of My Heart* [John Mark McMillan in Ab]

0:00 Sermon - Luke 12:35-48

0:00 Communion - 1 Corinthians 11:23-28

0:00 *Come Ye Souls By Sin Afflicted (Look To Jesus)* [In C in G]

0:00 *O Church Arise* [Default Arrangement in C]

0:00 Song

0:00 Benediction - Matthew 25:21; Luke 12:46; 1 Corinthians 11:26

You may be seated. Thank you for joining us in today's gathering! We hope that you have experienced the welcome of Jesus.

Family Groups - This gathering is only a secondary part of the life of Antioch. We would love to have you in one of our Family Groups, which meet in homes throughout the week in order for us to grow in the context of deep relationships. If you would like to join one of them, there is info in the hallway, or talk with one of us and we'll make a direct connection for you.

Giving & Visitors - Also now is our time for giving—ushers please come forward. Church, giving is not simply paying the church's bills, but it's a way we respond to God's grace and prepare ourselves for the coming King. If you prefer to give digitally, visit our website or find us on GivApp. If you are a visitor with us this morning please grab a visitor card from the basket so that we can get to know you more. You can give it to someone with a lanyard or leave it in your seat, and the pen is yours to keep.

Announcements

For everyone, here are a few ways to take the next steps (which first and always include specific ways you can serve—we encourage you to see the servant's wall in the hallway after the gathering)

1) 9 AM Classes - All 9 AM classes will be taking a break next Sunday for Easter. Then we will be kicking off the men's and women's Bible studies on April 24th. The women's study will be on prayer and the Men's will be on spiritual warfare. Childcare will be available.

2) Security interest meeting - Today directly after the service in the training room there is an interest meeting for the security team. We are currently in need of a few more servants in order to fill our Sunday rotation. See our deacon of security Andy Oliveras if you have questions.

3) FG Outreach - Tonight at 5pm will meet here for an all-Family Group outreach. We will be prayer walking our neighborhood and handing out invitations to Good Friday and Easter Sunday. This will replace all regular FG gatherings for that week.

Good Friday is 6:30-7:30pm.

Easter Sunday is our regular time.

Easter egg hunt will follow on the back lawn. Of course this is fun for the kids, but the primary purpose is to welcome our neighbors and develop relationships with them.

4) MCT - MCT will meet Thursday at the Groces @7 pm to pray for our distributed members and families. This is a very practical way to care for and bless our distributed who are on the front lines of reaching people with the gospel of Christ. Let Pastor Robbie know if you have questions about this ministry.

5) Food Pantry- Food pantry is this weekend. Bill will need some helpers if you are interested in serving in Food Pantry you can come on Friday at 9:30 AM to help prepare the boxes or on Saturday at 9:30 AM to help in the distribution. This ministry is a great way to get to know and serve our neighbors. See Bill Stayton for more information.

We begin each gathering with a call to worship and we end with a benediction which simply is a reminder that we are blessed to be a blessing. I invite you to hold out your hands as a posture of receiving this blessing:


Church, Jesus Christ was cut to pieces on the cross and put with the unfaithful in the grave, but he has risen with the power to make you a good and faithful servant. Therefore may you go triumphantly, announcing the Lord's death until he returns, and longing for the day you'll hear him say, "Well done!" Based on Matthew 25:21; Luke 12:46; 1 Corinthians 11:26

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God the Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Let's say this together: We are sent.

Audio/Visual

Audio

Jason Cox 

Slides

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Band

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