Sunday Gathering Liturgy

April 17, 2022 - Easter 2022

Length in mins Audio/ Visual BandPersonVocals

0:00 You Are Good [Default Arrangement in G]

0:00 Call to Worship - Luke 24:1-7

Happy Easter! Easter doesn't just bring good news, it brings the best news. After reflecting on the sorrows of Good Friday, let's allow the joy of this announcement to call us to worship today:

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." Luke 24:1-7

If Christ is not risen, then we can be completely indifferent. Our preaching is then useless and our faith too. We are false witnesses about God, for we have testified that God raised Christ from the dead. We are still in our sins. Those who have died are as dead as ever. We who have pinned our hopes on Jesus are then the most pitiable of all human beings.

BUT—if Christ is risen, then we can no longer be indifferent. Though in Adam all may have died, in Christ all will then be made alive. He will destroy every dominion, power, and authority and put every enemy under his feet. Nothing will be able to separate us from the love of Christ—trouble, hardship, persecution, famine, nakedness, peril, sword, angels, demons, the present, the future, nor any powers. Nothing whatsoever, in fact, nothing in all creation, neither height nor depth, nothing either in life or in death. So let us respond together—not indifferently, but triumphantly:

Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed!

0:00 In Christ Alone [Default Arrangement in D]

0:00 Confession - John 21:3, 4-5, 12

It's so easy for us to be mostly indifferent about Easter. Sure, we may put on our pastels, come to church, hunt for eggs, and put it all on Instagram—but then we can easily go right back to normal the very next day.

This was even true of the first disciples. After the resurrected Lord Jesus appeared to them and told them he would meet them in Galilee, we read this in John 21:

Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. John 21:3

These ex-fisherman, still trying to process what in the world was going on, still a little sad and bored—what did they do? They settled right back into what was normal and comfortable. If they did it after literally seeing him and touching him, what hope do we have?! So,

Let's take a moment and confess how we make Easter a one-day event that warms our hearts instead of an everyday reality that redefines our lives.

[silent pause]

John 21 continues,

4 Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. 5 Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No"...Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." John 21:4-5, 12

For those of you who recognize that you don't have what you need in yourselves—and that makes you uncomfortable—Jesus says to you today, "Come."

- 0:00 O Praise The Name (Anástasis) [Default Arrangement in A]
- **0:00 Death Was Arrested** [Default Arrangement in A: Jason]
- 0:00 Sermon Luke 24:36-43
- 0:00 Communion 1 Corinthians 11:23-28
- **0:00** Living Hope [Default Arrangement in G]
- 0:00 Thank You Jesus For The Blood [Default Arrangement in A]

0:00 Benediction - 1 John 3:2

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 allow Jesus to be Lord over our finances. For example, the doorhangers we passed out in order to invite people today, and the supplies for the egg hunt afterward, your giving made that possible! 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 back next Sunday with the men's and women's Bible studies. These will be four weeks each, and the women's study will be on prayer and the Men's will be on spiritual warfare. Childcare will be available.
- 2) Spring soccer Clinic On April 30th we will be kicking off soccer with a spring clinic/ festival. We will need help from you guys just like we did in the fall to pull this off. There will be more information about that but for now, be in prayer over this time and check out the link to register your kids and share with friends! There are also flyer invitations on the side, so grab some of those.
- 3) 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. So we invite everyone to join us immediately following the gathering and there will be further instructions out there.

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:

Beloved, because Christ is risen from the dead, you are now God's children, and what you will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears you shall be like him, because you shall see him as he is. Therefore into a world that is indifferent, and into a life that is ordinary, may you go as proof that one day he will stand among us again. Based on 1 John 3:2

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.

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Band

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