

Sunday Gathering Liturgy

God's Design for the Local
Church, Titus 2:1-15 - Brian
Croft

June 5, 2022

Genesis 37-50: Worst Thing,
Best Thing

Length
in mins

Audio/
Visual Band Person Vocals

0:00 Call to Worship - Titus 2:11

Today is Pentecost Sunday, a day when we celebrate the powerful and awe-inspiring coming of the Holy Spirit on the disciples 50 days after the resurrection of Christ. On that day, Peter – who just weeks before, denied even knowing Christ – stood before the crowd and boldly proclaimed through the power of the Holy Spirit that something new was happening: God was calling to Himself a new people, and this family would be made up of people of every tribe and tongue, young and old, men and women, rich and poor. The invitation was for all who would hear, and the promise was the same for all: Repent, be baptized in the name of Jesus, and receive the Holy Spirit.

Let's say this together:

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all people, Titus 2:11

And that's our reality today: Whoever you are, whatever you look like, wherever you come from, whatever you have or don't have, whatever you've done, YOU can belong to the family of God. And the best news? You don't have to work up some sort of religious feeling from within yourself. The God who empowered that first Christian sermon is the same One who will enable you to see Him and worship this morning. In faith, then, let's sing to this inviting God ...

0:00 *Be Thou My Vision* [Norton Hall Be Thou My Vision in D]

0:00 Confession - 1 John 1:9

The vision of unity and fellowship the Holy Spirit gave us through Peter's sermon isn't exactly what we see in the New Testament, is it? Instead of the unity of the Spirit, we see division borne of greed, pride, lust, hateful speech, and a lack of love and generosity for our brothers and sisters. That disunity is not just true of the early church, it's especially true of us today. Church, take a moment to consider how you've allowed your sin to disrupt your communion with the Lord, and divide you from your brothers and sisters. Take a moment for silent reflection.

Church, let's confess together:

Where we have lacked a sober mind and self control,

Lord forgive us.

Where we have slandered others and gossiped,

Lord forgive us.

Where we have been argumentative and ungodly,

Lord forgive us.

Where we have followed our worldly passions,

Lord forgive us.

Church, even in our sin, our Lord never abandons us. The word of God says that when we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us. In that promise, let's continue to lift our hearts and sing to Him.

0:00 *King Of Kings* [Default Arrangement in D]

0:00 *Let The Nations Be Glad* [Default Arrangement in C]

0:00 **Sermon - Titus 2:1-15**

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

0:00 *Fellowship So Deep* [Default Arrangement in D]

0:00 *Oh Give Thanks (Psalm 107)* [Default Arrangement in C]

0:00 **Benediction - Titus 2:11-14**

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. 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.

Antioch members, remember that giving is part of how we participate in God's mission. If you prefer to give digitally, visit our website or find us on GivApp.

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 as there are numerous new needs listed there):

1) 9 AM Classes - We are continuing in our six-week study in Galatians. If you missed this morning you can still join in at anytime. Childcare is provided.

2) MCT - Meets Thursday at the Groce's - 7PM (it was postponed) - This is a reminder for advocates and an open invitation for anyone who is interested in this ministry. If you have questions see Pastor Robbie Gouge.

3) Membership - This month is our membership emphasis. If you have been wondering how we do membership and what it means to become a covenant member of Antioch we will have a class on the 19th. You'll hear about our history and our beliefs in the class, and you'll be taken through the membership process. There is a signup sheet on the side table. Please let us know if you will attend.

We begin each gathering with a call to worship and we end with a benediction, which is simply a reminder that we are blessed to be a blessing.

Church, we have a blessed hope: the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for Himself a people of His own possession who are zealous for good works. So go now, being faithful by His Spirit in both word and deed, that the world might see Jesus for who He really is: our beautiful Savior, who alone is worthy of worship.


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.


0:00

Audio/Visual

Slides


Tim Donaldson 

Sound


Timothy Wallis 

Band


Cello

Tim Donaldson 

Keys

Noel Reynolds 

Vocals

Katie Harrod 
Rebekah & Josh Flint

Worship Leader

Aaron Kiefer