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Luke: Upside Down

Length
in mins

Audio/
Visual Band Person Vocals

0:00 Call to Worship - Psalm 62:7-8

We gather to worship Jesus this morning because our salvation depends on him and him alone. Hear this word from Psalm 62.

My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge. Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.
Psalm 62:7-8

Our standing before God depends wholly upon the salvation and refuge only Jesus can provide. Our faith can move mountains—not because of how great our faith is, but because of how great our God is. Church, the crushing mountain of our sin has been cast into the depths of the sea. So let's pour out our hearts this morning. From the very start, let's celebrate!

0:00 *Glorious Day* [Default Arrangement in C]

0:00 Confession - 1 Peter 1:3-5

Church, because God is now our Father, there is room in our lives for both higher praise and quiet reflection. The same is true in our worship. Let's take a moment to confess our need and God's supply.

In light of Jesus' words in today's sermon passage, we are called to the kind of love that rebukes gently, repents gladly, and forgives generously. This is how we fight for each other, not against each other. But we often fall short of this, don't we?

And yet God's mercy is sufficient for us when we run to him! Hear this from 1 Peter 1:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 1 Peter 1:3-5

The hope we have in God's mercy is alive because we trust in a living Savior, Jesus Christ. And because he guards us, we too can guard one another in love. Now let's sing out our confession...

0:00 *All I Have Is Christ* [Default Arrangement in D]

0:00 *Behold the Christ (Sojourn)* [Default in D]

0:00 Evidence of Grace - Family Groups

0:00 Sermon - Luke 19:1-19

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

0:00 *Altogether Good* [Default Arrangement in Ab]

0:00 *Man Of Sorrows* [Default Arrangement in C]

0:00 Benediction - Galatians 2:20

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 - We invite you to visit 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 we can get to know you more. You can give it to someone with a lanyard or leave it in your seat; 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 following steps:

1) 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil - On Sunday, Nov. 6th -We will take part in the 40 Days for Life prayer vigil.

Remember this is next week-- There are time slots that still need to be filled and you can pray from anywhere. Church, we want to celebrate and value every aspect of every human life and that means praying for and protecting the vulnerable. But, it's so much more than just praying for the injustice of abortion. Please know that we want to posture our hearts to lean into the brokenness around us and pray for how we can be a part of healing for those who desperately need compassion and love. Please signup on the side table or on the Antioch family group FB page. See Tammy Stayton if you have questions.

2) Mantiach Bonfire - On Saturday, November 12th Mantiach will gather here at the building 6:30-8:30 PM. Hotdogs and chips will be served. Please bring a chair. See Josh Flint for more information.

3) Operation Christmas Child - Don't forget -Boxes are due back on Nov. 13th! and remember to go online and pay for the postage it's a \$10 donation per box to help send them overseas.

4) Multicultural gathering - On Nov 13th, We will join Asha Church for a combined service. Please note: this will start at 11:00 AM instead of 10:30.

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, you now live by faith in the Son of God, who loved us and gave himself for us. Therefore may you go, guarding one another from scandalous sin so the world might see God's cruciform love. Based on Galatians 2:20

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.

WE ARE SENT