## **Sunday Gathering Liturgy**

Our Father, Luke 11:1-13 - Bradley Bell

**February 27, 2022** 

Audio/ Visual BandPersonVocals

Luke: Upside Down

Length in mins

0:00

0:00 Call to Worship - Psalm 103:8-13, 20-22

Welcome and introduction

Church, let's start today's gathering by doing something that we learn from the Lord's prayer: let's ask God to hallow his name. That means we want him to reveal himself today, so that we can all stand in awe of him together. In Psalm 103 we read this about him:

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

9 He will not always chide,

nor will he keep his anger forever.

10 He does not deal with us according to our sins,

nor repay us according to our iniquities.

11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth,

so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

12 as far as the east is from the west,

so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

13 As a father shows compassion to his children,

so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him. Psalm 103:8-13

Isn't he amazing! So, let's take a moment and ask him to hallow his name:

Father, reveal yourself today So that we can all stand in awe of you together.

20 Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!
21 Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!
22 Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion.
Bless the Lord, O my soul! Psalm 103:20-22

10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord) [ Default Arrangement in G ]

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## 0:00 Confession - James 4:2-3; 1 John 1:9

Have you ever thought about how in a gathering like this—when we are praying through liturgy and singing—we are approaching God with a particular view of him in mind? How we pray doesn't reveal what God thinks about us, but what we think about God. In James 4 we read.

You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. James 4:2-3

What does our prayer life reveal about our particular view of him? Is it prayerless, supposing that he's not there or not responding? Is it frustrated, thinking he has to be wrung out like a towel in order to answer? Is it ambiguous, assuming he's just going to do whatever he wants anyways? Is it selfish, aiming for what's beneficial to you but no one else?

Let's show that we believe God to be a merciful Father, by confessing to him what's actually deep down. I invite you to finish this prayer in your heart:

Father, right now the way I'm approaching you reveals that I see you as...

Church, we approach God with this particular view of him in mind (say this with me):

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

0:00	The Lord's Prayer [ Page CXVI in G ]
0:00	Jesus Strong And Kind [ C in C ]
0:00	Sermon - Luke 11:1-13
0:00	Communion - 1 Corinthians 11:23-28
0:00	How Deep The Father's Love For Us [ Default Arrangement in E ]
0:00	Be Thou My Vision [ Norton Hall Be Thou My Vision in D ]

## 0:00 Benediction - 1 John 1:14; 2 Samuel 9:8

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, where we seek to be transformed by the gospel through 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 prefer to give digitally, visit our website or find us on GivApp. Antioch members, we encourage you to give joyfully. 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.

For everyone, here are a few ways to take the next steps (which first and always includes specific ways you can serve—see the servants wall in the hallway and take something off the plate of current leaders):

- 1) 9 AM Classes The current 9 AM class is a study through the book of Ruth. Coffee and childcare is available.
- 2) MCT MCT will meet this Thursday at 7 PM at the Groce's. This group meets to give updates and pray over our Distributed members (those who have been sent cross-culturally). See Pastor Robbie for more info!
- 3) Child Dedication We have a Child dedication class coming up on March 13th. There is a signup sheet over on the table for that. Please let us know if you will participate. The dedication will then be on the following Sunday, March 20th.

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, because of Jesus Christ, this is the confidence we have: that if we ask God anything according to his will, he hears and answers us. Therefore may you go before your heavenly Father humbly and boldly, praying for a world of "dead dogs" to also be welcomed at the King's table. Based on 1 John 1:14 and 2 Samuel 9:8

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.