

Sunday Gathering Liturgy

Growing Up Together,
Ephesians 4:7-16 - Bradley
Bell

May 10, 2020

Ephesians: Into the Fullness
of Christ

Call to Worship - Psalm 68:32-35

Good morning and happy Mother's Day! Thanks for joining us. Church, let's read this word from Psalm 68. Please read the underlined portions with me.

O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord, Selah
to him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.
Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

Congregation: Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people.
Blessed be God!

Psalm 68:32-35

Because Jesus Christ has conquered death and shared his power and strength with his people, the beginning of a gathering like this is always a call to worship. It's a call to hear the mighty voice from heaven that so many ignore and to respond with songs of praise. I know others in your household may hear you miss a note or two if you sing out, but that's ok. It's not about a perfect noise, but a joyful one to our King. So let's sing together...

Be Thou My Vision

Confession - Romans 12:4-6

Hear the word of the Lord from Romans 12:

For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them. Romans 12:4-6

As a sign that Jesus Christ has truly ascended as Lord over all, he gives his people supernatural gifts for building up the church. However, we don't always use them in the ways he intended. Let's confess this together:

Lord, when we don't think much of your gifts,
When we keep your gifts to ourselves,
When we ignore your gifts in others,
Your body cannot grow up together.
Forgive us, Lord, and help us use your gifts for your glory. Amen.

All I Have Is Christ

O Praise The Name (Anástasis)

Posturing Prayer

Sermon - Growing Up Together, Ephesians 4:7-16

We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

Announcements & Benediction - Revelation 11:6-16

Thank you for joining us today. As we always say, this is only a small part of the life of Antioch. We would love to have you in one of our Family Groups, where we seek to live out the Christian life together. If you would like to join in one of them, simply message us and we'll get you connected.

We'll keep today's announcements short and sweet so you can get right into your Mother's Day celebrations.

1) Giving - First, please remember to give as you are able. As we mentioned last week, for specific opportunities to give above and beyond, such as the Wells' food distribution in Ecuador, go to the Give page on our website.

2) FG Meetings Cancelled - Second, Family Groups will not be meeting as usual this week, as Facilitators will be meeting to discuss steps toward "reopening" our Family Groups.

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

Church, the marriage of Christ and his bride is coming soon, so may you prepare yourself by building up his body. And the rider atop a white horse is coming soon, so may you prepare others by being a gift of his grace. (based on Revelation 11:6-16)

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

Congregation: We are sent.
