

# Sunday Gathering Liturgy

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Jesus is Power, Luke 8:22-39  
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Luke: Upside Down 2

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## Call to Worship - Luke 8:24

Church, each week we come together as a people plagued with messy and mismanaged lives. Even if we sometimes look like we have it all together on the outside, if we are honest, we admit that things are not always as they appear. If you're here today and you feel as if your life is being tossed about like a ship in a storm, hear this good news:

For those who are in Christ, he stands as the true Pilot and Captain of our lives. He will not permit our ship to be overwhelmed, even if countless winds blow.

He will rebuke the winds and the sea, and he will bring about a great calm in place of the storm.

(From: Chrysostom, Homilies on the Gospel of Luke)

## *On Christ The Solid Rock*

### Confession - 2 Peter 3:9

As we enter a time of confession, we are reminded by the Apostle Peter in 2 Peter 3:9 that the Lord is patient toward us, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. In our sermon today we will encounter a man living among the dead who his freed by the power of Jesus to walk in the light of forgiveness. Jesus offers that same promise to us today. Take a moment briefly to confess your sins and needs to Christ with confidence that he stands ready with the grace and power to receive us and renew us.

Let's confess the following prayer together, read the underlined portion aloud:

Lord Jesus,

You alone can take away our sins.

Congregation:

Give us grace to run to you.

Give us humility to fall at your feet.

You are willing and ready to receive us.

Congregation:

Help us in faith to see you as a blessing and not a burden.

You are incomparable in majesty.

Irresistible in power.

Unequal in authority.

Congregation:

Teach us to cling to you in hope.

You who crush our enemies by the simple word of your power.

Amen.

(From: Ambrose, Commentary on the Gospel of Luke)

## *Jesus Strong And Kind*

## *Great Are You Lord*

## Sermon - Luke 8:22-39

## Communion - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

## *Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me*

## Cornerstone

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## Announcements & Benediction

Thank you for joining us in today's gathering! We hope that you have experienced the welcome of Jesus. You may be seated as we give a few next steps from today's gathering.

1) Giving & Visitors - [antiochpeople.org/give](http://antiochpeople.org/give)

2) Family Groups - [antiochpeople.org/familygroup](http://antiochpeople.org/familygroup)

3) Serving - [antiochpeople.org/serve](http://antiochpeople.org/serve)

4) Classes - [antiochpeople.org/classes](http://antiochpeople.org/classes)

5) Missionary Care Team - Thursday, October 7th, 7 PM, Groce's home. This is a gathering of the Advocates who lead the way in maintaining our relationships with distributed members among the nations. All are welcome.

6) Baptism Class - Sunday, October 10th - This is an exploratory class for anyone considering baptism. Please sign up on the side table.

7) Fall Soccer Festival - Saturday, October 23rd - We are excited to officially unveil the new soccer pitch as part of a fall festival for our community. More detailed info about how you can be a part of this ground breaking event will be shared with your FG leaders this week to allow you to discuss in your groups!

8) Hutchmoot Conference - This is NEXT WEEK!

A beautiful conference (albeit virtual) is just around the corner on October 8-10. Why mention it? Well, it was so uniquely edifying to me last year, and I (not to mention Joshua Thomas and Bradley Bell) would love for more of Antioch to be blessed by it this time around! I was challenged, encouraged, and compelled to think deeply on the intricacies of story, beauty, gifts, community, redemption--and the grace of God in weaving it all together for His glory and our good! There's something here for the whole family. Thoughtful menus and recipes will even be shared so participants can enjoy specific meals throughout the conference (if they so choose). This can be as involved or as low-key as you make it. The cost is just \$20 per household, and the extensive conference content (a bit of which is in the pics) will remain available for a couple of weeks after the real-time event. Who else is interested?

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

Church, Jesus Christ is the power of God. He alone can deliver us from sin and our enemy. Therefore, may you go today as a people who walk in his power and compel those who are powerless to fall at his feet in faith.

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

Let's say this together: We are sent.

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