

# Sunday Gathering Liturgy

Little Children, Luke 9:37-50 -  
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Luke: Upside Down 2

## Call to Worship - Deuteronomy 32:1-3

Here at Antioch we often refer to ourselves as family. Even our small groups that meet in homes are called “family” groups. We do this because, according to the Bible, those who follow Jesus Christ are the family of God. So Sundays are when we gather together before our Heavenly Father. And this is especially significant on a Child Dedication Sunday.

So hear the word of the Lord calling us as a family to join in with all creation:

“Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak,  
and let the earth hear the words of my mouth.  
May my teaching drop as the rain,  
my speech distill as the dew,  
like gentle rain upon the tender grass,  
and like showers upon the herb.  
For I will proclaim the name of the LORD;  
ascribe greatness to our God!

Deuteronomy 32:1-3

Let’s respond by saying this together:

Father, we hear your call  
And we proclaim your name  
The Lord is great!  
The Lord is ours!  
The Lord is enough!

Amen.

## *Your Grace Is Enough*

## Confession - Deuteronomy 32:4-5

We continue reading of our heavenly Father in Deuteronomy 32:

“The Rock, his work is perfect,  
for all his ways are justice.  
A God of faithfulness and without iniquity,  
just and upright is he.

But then Moses suddenly speaks of the sins that separate us from him:

They have dealt corruptly with him;  
they are no longer his children because they are blemished;  
they are a crooked and twisted generation.

Deuteronomy 32:4-5

Let’s confess this together:

Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.  
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done;  
and apart from your grace, there is no health in us.  
O Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Restore all those who confess their faults,  
according to your promises in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may now live a godly, charitable, and quiet life,  
to the glory of your holy Name.  
Amen.

## *Jesus Paid It All*

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## ***I Have To Believe***

**Sermon - Luke 9:37-50**

**Communion - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

***Mercy Tree***

***O Great God***

### **Announcements & Benediction - 1 John 2:1**

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) Nerdyoch Board Game Night- This Friday, September 24th at 6:30 PM. Bring games you love, and bring friends who game. See Josiah Wallis for more information.

5) Membership Class - Next Sunday, September 26th at 9 AM - This is the first official step in the membership process. In it the pastors teach through Antioch's story, beliefs, polity, ministries, and more. Please sign up on the side table.

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, even though you sin, you have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. Now may you go into a world that is failing, misunderstanding, comparing, and excluding, and be the proof that Jesus can sort them out.

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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