

# Sunday Gathering Liturgy

Genesis 47:1-37 - Mark  
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July 17, 2022

Genesis 37-50: Worst Thing,  
Best Thing

**Length  
in mins**

**Audio/  
Visual Band Person Vocals**

**0:00 Call to Worship**

Church, life is hard.

It is tempting to gather together every week and push aside the burdens, anxieties, pain, frustrations, and sorrows. We are weary and need rest.

Like Jacob, we might describe our years as few and difficult. But unlike Jacob who only saw God's promise from afar, we are pilgrims journeying toward the better country that God has prepared for us in Christ Jesus.

Instead of pushing your weariness aside this morning, Jesus invites you to rest in this safe harbor.

To all who are weary and in need of rest;  
to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who feel lost and worthless and wonder if God even cares;  
to all who fall and desire victory;  
to all who sin and need a Savior;  
to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;  
And to whoever else will come,  
This church opens wide her doors  
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ:  
the friend of sinners,  
the lover of his enemies,  
the defender of the weak, and  
the justifier of those who have no excuses left!

Immanuel Nashville, "Call to Worship"

**0:00 *Revive Us Again* [ Reawaken's Version in E ]**

**0:00 Confession**

In 1 Peter chapter 1, Peter describes the life of a Christian as one of sojourning and exile. We live our days on earth, but we are citizens of Heaven. Peter writes:

And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

With that in mind, let us confess the following prayer together. Read the underlined portion aloud together.

Almighty and most merciful Father;  
You have carried us through all of life's journeys,  
And you will see us through to the end.

Where we have erred, and strayed from your ways;  
Forgive us Lord. Call us back to you.

Where we have followed too much the devices and desires of our hearts;  
Forgive us Lord. Lead us forward to your safety.

Where we have been tempted to settle for earthly pleasures  
Forgive us Lord. Stir our hearts for Heaven.

Where we have left undone those things which we ought to have done;  
and we have done those things we ought not to have done;  
Forgive us Lord. Establish the work of our hands.

We are weak and weary  
But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us.  
We are humble and confess these things to you  
Trusting you will hear and restore us to yourself  
According to the promises you declared to us  
In Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Amen.

(adapted from Book of Common Prayer, 1552)

**0:00** *My Worth Is Not In What I Own* [ Default Arrangement in C ]

**0:00** *Christ Our Hope In Life And Death* [ Default Arrangement in F ]

**0:00** **Song**

**0:00** **Sermon - Genesis 47:1-37**

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

**0:00** *Jesus Paid It All* [ Default Arrangement in B ]

**0:00** *Oh Give Thanks (Psalm 107)* [ Default Arrangement in C ]

**0:00 Benediction**

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, 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 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.

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 next steps (which first and always include specific ways you can serve—we encourage you to see the servant's wall in the hallway after the gathering as there are numerous new needs listed there):

1) 9 AM Classes - Our adult 9 AM class will start a study of the book of James next week. Childcare is provided.

2) Family Meeting - Our annual mid-year family meeting (that is, for covenant members) will be on the evening of Sunday, July 24th. According to our polity, if there are any orders of business you'd like to be discussed at the Family Meeting, please contact one of the pastors in advance of the meeting.

3) Women's Brunch - Mark your calendars, there will be an Antioch Women's brunch on Saturday, July 23rd at the church from 10:00-11:30. For more details and to sign up to bring food, see Katie Bell and the Antiochfamily Facebook page. Mantiach, your next event will be a BBQ in early August, stay tuned for more details.

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, in a land of famine, the Lord preserved a place of flourishing for the people of his promised future blessing. Therefore, as those who have received the promise fulfilled in Christ, may you go into a world of hunger and thirst, bringing with you the fruitfulness of the Kingdom and the promise of abundant life in Jesus Christ.

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.

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**Audio/Visual**

**Audio**

Jason Cox

**Slides**

Tim Donaldson 

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**Band**

**Cello**

Tim Donaldson 

**Keys**

Noel Reynolds 

**Vocals**

Winona Miller

**Worship Leader**

Aaron Kiefer