

# Sunday Gathering Liturgy

Devoted Members, Acts  
2:42-47 - Jason Hunsucker

January 26, 2020

Membership: A Place at the  
Table

## *I Love You Lord*

### **Call to Worship - Jeremy Shelton**

Good morning church! Welcome to Antioch. If you are a guest with us today, we're glad that you have joined us. If you are a member, you know that in this body, we have a sweet fellowship with one another. This fellowship takes work and devotion.

Devotion is something we're not always good at. And all you might have to do to know this is look at your New Year's Resolution. We are barely 3 weeks into the new year, and if you're anything like me, you're already off the rails. But the good news this morning is that when our devotion is fickle, God is faithful. His devotion is not like ours. His commitment to have fellowship with us is displayed through the suffering of his Son. When we were in our own pits of despair, God brought us out of the darkness and placed us into the light of fellowship with Him and one another. We begin each service with a call to worship to remind ourselves that worship and fellowship doesn't begin with us, but begins with God.

Listen to God's Word and read the underline portions with me:

God is a father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in His holy dwelling. God sets the lonely in families, he leads out the prisoners with singing.

Sing to God, sing in praise of His name

Some wandered in desert wastelands. They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away. Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. He rescued them from the grave.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. Adapted from Psalm 68 & 107

Church, let's worship our God of mercy, who has drawn near and whose love endures forever!

### ***Oh Give Thanks (Psalm 107)***

#### **Confession - Worship Team**

Brothers and sisters, whether you realize it or not, walking in darkness, even in secret, hurts the fellowship of the church. Listen to 1 John 1:5-7:

God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son cleanses us from all sin.

Let's take a moment to confess our sin and our need for God to help us grow in holiness and fellowship.

(silence)

Hear this promise: "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

### ***Fellowship So Deep***

#### **Giving - Worship Team**

Psalm 96:3 says, "Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!"

In this church, we are not only devoted to this local fellowship, but we also are committed to declare to the nations what God has done! Our giving fuels local and global mission. As the giving baskets go around, if you're a member of Antioch we ask you to give generously and cheerfully just as God has given generously to you. If you're a visitor we ask you fill out a visitor card from the basket, give it someone at the end of the gathering, and the pen is our gift to you. If you're not a Christian, we're not asking for your money, we're just glad you're here!

### ***O Praise The Name (Anástasis)***

#### **Posturing Prayer - Worship Team**

#### **Pastoral Prayer - Bradley Bell**

#### **Sermon - Devoted Members, Acts 2:42-47 - Jason Hunsucker**

#### **Communion - Jason Hunsucker**

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## ***When I Survey The Wondrous Cross***

### **Assurance - Worship Team**

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. 1 Corinthians 1:4-9

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## ***We Will Feast In The House Of Zion***

### **Announcements & Benediction - Trey Moss**

Hello Church, My name is Trey and I'm one of the pastors here. Thank you for gathering with us today! Know that this was only a taste of the life of the church. Join us this week at one of our Family Groups where we truly seek to live out the Christian life together. You can find FG info cards on the wall to the left outside of the auditorium.

If you are a visitor today I hope you feel welcome! We are glad you're here. If you filled out a visitor card please give it to anyone with a lanyard or simply leave it in your chair if that's more comfortable for you. Just a few announcements before we go:

- 1) Membership Renewal - Today is the last Sunday of our membership emphasis, so existing members please renew your covenant. You can do this at the table in the back. If you aren't a current member, instead of signing the covenant we invite you to explore our membership process by talking with one of the pastors.
- 2) Membership Class - The membership class that was scheduled for today has been cancelled due to sickness.
- 3) Parent/Child Dedications- February we will be starting the Family Identity emphasis in Ephesians and to help kick that off we are offering a Parent/child Dedication Class on Sunday Feb 16th after our gathering with Child Dedications on the following Sunday Feb 23rd. If you are interested or want more information on Parent/child dedications please see Pastor Patrick.

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. Our benediction today comes out of Jesus's personal prayer for all believers including us today. Hear His prayer to the Father: "Just as you sent me into the world, I am sending them into the world. And I give myself as a holy sacrifice for them so they can be made holy by your truth. I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me." John 17:18-21

[Trey] 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.

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