Sending Liturgies for Children

Note - all of these liturgies have simple repeated refrains, which are easier for young children to participate in. We also used the NIrV translation when quoting scripture, as it contains simpler language for younger children.

Sending Liturgy for Children (Short)

Leader: *We go as your children, Father,*
in the name of Jesus
and the power of the Spirit,
into your world to share in your kingdom.

In our play…
Children: **May we glorify you!**
Leader: *In our words…*
Children: **May we glorify you!**
Leader: *In our work…*
Children: **May we glorify you!**
Leader: *With our creativity…*
Children: **May we glorify you!**
Leader: *With our love…*
Children: **May we glorify you!**
Leader: *May our words and actions bring honor and glory to you,*
the One True God and King of All.
Children: **Amen!**

Sending Liturgy for Children (Long)

Leader: *As you go now, remember that you are a precious child of God,*
made like him to reflect his glory in all the earth.

Everything you do and say is worship
when it is done with and for God.

When you run, or jump, or dance, may it be in
joyful celebration of the body God has given you.

Children: **May our acts of worship glorify you, God!**
Leader: *When you walk outside, gazing at the vast sky, or considering*
a delicate flower, may you wonder at God's amazing creation.
Children: **May our acts of worship glorify you, God!**
Leader: *When you speak, or shout, or sing, may it be*
to tell of God's goodness and build up his people.
Children: **May our acts of worship glorify you, God!**
Leader: *When you work hard, for school, or a job, or your own project,*
may it be in gratitude for God's gifts, in dependence on his strength,
and in pursuit of his kingdom.
Children: **May our acts of worship glorify you, God!**
Leader: *When you join in the act of creation, making art or cookies,*
writing music or a story, may you be shining the light of
God's beautiful kingdom for everyone to see.
Children: **May our acts of worship glorify you, God!**
Leader: *When you make-believe, pretending what could be,*
or imagine yourself as royalty, may it be a rehearsal
of the new kingdom that is coming!
Children: **May our acts of worship glorify you, God!**
Leader: *And when you play with a friend, sharing a snack, a toy, or laughter,*
may it be with the knowledge that this is what we were made for,
to love others, and to love God.
Children: **May our acts of worship glorify you, God!**
Leader: *Lord, send these, your children, into the world you made*
to do your good work. May their every act be worship
offered for your glory alone.
Children: **Amen!**

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