

The Oaks Community Church  
Worship Guide



January 18, 2026

I. A Call to Worship

Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.

Philippians 2:9,10 (NIV)

II. Family Confession & Greeting

**Christ our Healer:** We believe that Jesus Christ is able and wants to bring emotional, spiritual, and physical healing to the whole person. God can use many tools for healing, but in faith we practice praying for the sick and anointing them with oil, as the privilege of the church.

1 Peter 2:24: "Christ carried our sins in His body on the cross so we would stop living for sin and start living for what is right. And you are healed because of His wounds."

III. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test Me now in this," says the LORD of hosts, "if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows."

Malachi 3:10 (NASB)



IV.

Christ Our Healer

Matthew 8:1-17; I Peter 2:24; James 5:13-16

Pastor Gary Barber

The Lord Jesus Christ wants to be your healer!

Our problem: Sin has brought a curse to God's good creation and all people.

Then to Adam He said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, ‘You shall not eat from it’; Cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you will eat of it all the days of your life. “Both thorns and thistles it shall grow for you; and you will eat the plants of the field; by the sweat of your face You will eat bread, till you return to the ground, because from it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

Genesis 3:17-19 (NASB)

For the wages of sin is death.

Romans 6:23a (NIV)

- ❖ God’s Ultimate Solution – The Resurrection of Christ and all those who trust in Him.
  - I Corinthians 15:49-51, 52-54

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

Philippians 3:20, 21 (NIV)

- ❖ Miracles, Mysteries, Medical Help, & Marvelous Measureless Grace

When Jesus came into Peter’s home, He saw his mother-in-law lying sick in bed with a fever. He touched her hand, and the fever left her; and she got up and waited on Him. When evening came, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed; and He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were ill. This was to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet: “HE HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES AND CARRIED AWAY OUR DISEASES.”

Matthew 8:14-17 (NASB)

The cross is the center point where our salvation was purchased, our sanctification is accomplished, and from which physical and emotional healing flows.

He himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by His wounds you have been healed.”

I Peter 2:24 (NIV)

“Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up.... pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.”

James 5:13-16 (NIV)

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”

Hebrews 13:8 (NIV)

### Community Group Questions:

1. Read Genesis 3:17-19 & Romans 6:23. How does understanding the curse of sin help explain sickness, brokenness, & death in the world?
2. Read Gal. 3:13 & 1 Peter 2:24. What does it mean to you personally that Jesus absorbed the curse and brings healing through the cross?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 15:42-44, 52-54 and Philippians 3:20, 21. How does the promise of a future glorified body shape the way you face sickness, pain, or aging now?
4. Read Psalm 103:1-5. Where do you most need healing right now—spiritually, emotionally, physically, or mentally—and why?

5. Read Matthew 8:1–17. Pastor Gary's message talked about how healing can come through miracles, medicine, or mystery. Which of these have you experienced, and how did God meet you there?
6. Read Isaiah 55:8–9 and Romans 8:28. How do you respond when God's healing comes slowly or not in the way you hoped?
7. Read Matthew 12:28 and Revelation 21:3–5. What does the phrase "*Every healing is a foretaste of the future*" reveal about God's kingdom and His heart for us?
8. Read 2 Corinthians 12:7–10. How does knowing that God's grace is sufficient, even in ongoing weakness, encourage you today?
9. Read James 5:13–16. What would it look like for you this week to invite Jesus more fully into your area of need or pain?
10. Pray for your "FRANCES" (Friends, Relatives, Acquaintances, Neighbors, Coworkers, Enemies, Strangers) to be drawn to Jesus as their Savior in 2026.



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