The Oaks Community Church
Worship Guide

November 1, 2026

I. A Call to Worship

Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path. Psalm 119:105 (NLT)

II. Family Confession & Greeting

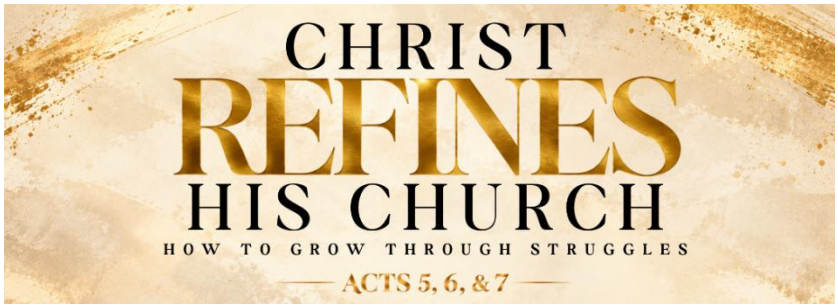
Kingdom Before Politics

> As an Oaks church family, God has called us to be one family across every generation. Young and old need one another as we worship, learn, serve, and grow together. Together, we are growing in our faith in Jesus, one generation to the next.

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ.
Philippians 3:20 (NIV)

III. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

Now about the collection for the Lord's people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made. I Corinthians 16:1,2 (NIV)



IV. Nothing Can Stop The
Advancing Kingdom of Christ
Acts 5:27-42
Pastor Gary Barber

- The urgent need for this message today
- Acts 5:27-32 – Review

But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you had put to death by hanging Him on a cross. He is the one whom God exalted to His right hand as a Prince and a Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses of these things; and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey Him.” Acts 5:29-32 (NASB)

- ❖ God uses the Wisdom of Gamaliel

But when they heard this, they were cut to the quick and intended to kill them. But a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the Law, respected by all the people, stood up in the Council and gave orders to put the men outside for a short time. And he said to them…. So in the present case, I say to you, stay away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or action is of men, it will be overthrown; but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them; or else you may even be found fighting against God.” Acts 5:33-39 (NASB)

We are part of a movement that can’t be stopped –
The Advancing Kingdom of Christ!

- ➢ Daniel 2 – Nebuchadnezzar’s Dream

“You, O king, were looking and behold, there was a single great statue; that statue, which was large and of extraordinary splendor, was standing in front of you, and its appearance was awesome. The head of that statue *was made* of fine gold, its breast and its arms of silver, its belly and its thighs of bronze, its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay. You continued looking until a stone was cut out without hands, and it struck the statue on its feet of iron and clay and crushed them. Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver and the gold were crushed all at the same time and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away so that not a trace of them was found. But the stone that struck the statue became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.
Daniel 2:31-35 (NASB)





The God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed… it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever. Daniel 2:44 (NASB)

- ➢ The Church moves forward

They took his advice; and after calling the apostles in, they flogged them and ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and then released them. So they went on their way from the presence of the Council, rejoicing that they had been considered worthy to suffer shame for His name. And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they kept right on teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.
Acts 5:40-42 (NASB)

Aligned Christians Transforming Society

Are you in alignment with what God wants to do in and through you?

- Assurance of God's work in and through you

Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:6 (NIV)

"Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of [our] faith." Hebrews 12:1,2 (NASB)

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers. Galatians 6:9,10 (NIV)

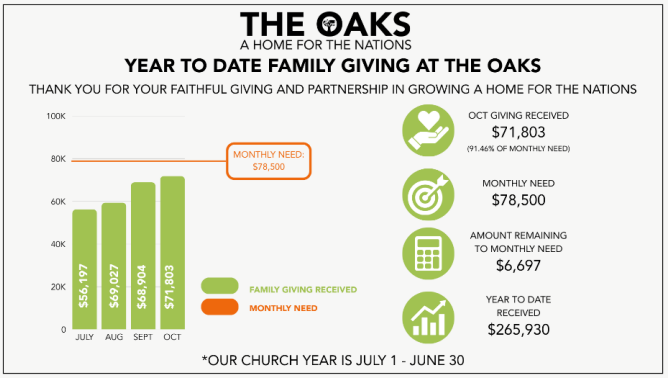
- Family Communion

Community Group Questions

Read Together: Acts 5:27–42

1. Read Acts 5:27–29. What does it look like to obey God rather than people in our everyday lives?
2. Read Acts 5:30–32. How can we become more confident in sharing the good news of Jesus?
3. Read Acts 5:38–39. How does knowing that God's plans cannot be stopped strengthen your faith?
4. Read Daniel 2:44–45. What encourages you about God's Kingdom lasting forever?
5. Read Acts 5:40–42. How were the apostles able to rejoice despite suffering for their faith?
6. Read Philippians 1:6. How does knowing that God will finish the work He started in you encourage you?
7. Read Galatians 6:9–10. Where is God calling you to persevere and continue doing good, even when it's difficult?

Closing Question:
Are you living in alignment with what God wants to do through you? What is one step you can take this week to advance His Kingdom in your family, workplace, church, or community?



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