

The Oaks Community Church
Worship Guide



October 18, 2026

I. A Call to Worship

Sing a new song to the LORD, for He has done wonderful deeds. His right hand has won a mighty victory; His holy arm has shown His saving power!
Psalm 98:1 (NLT)

II. Family Confession & Greeting

Word & Spirit Together

As an Oaks church family, God has called us to be rooted in His Word and empowered by His Spirit. We seek truth, power, balance, and obedience to Jesus, as we seek to become Word-equipped and Spirit-filled.

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.
II Timothy 3:16, 17 (NIV)

III. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

Carry one another's burdens and in this way you will fulfill the requirements of the law of Christ [that is, the law of Christian love].
Galatians 6:2 (AMP)



IV.

Power & Purity in Jesus' Church
Acts 4:32-5:15
Pastor Gary Barber

Acts provides pictures, patterns and principles of how Jesus' disciples are to follow Him.

Anointed
Christians
Transforming
Society

❖ Review of Acts 1-4

➤ More of the Spirit

"Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus." After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly. Acts 4:29-31 (NIV)

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts 1:8 (ESV)

Signs of The Kingdom

And the congregation of those who believed were of one heart and soul; and not one of them claimed that anything belonging to him was his own, but all things were common property to them. And with great power the apostles were giving testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and abundant grace was upon them all. For there was not a needy person among them, for all who were owners of land or houses would sell them and bring the proceeds of the sales and lay them at the apostles' feet, and they would be distributed to each as any had need. Acts 4:32-35 (NASB)

• The Example of Barnabas

"He [Barnabas] was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit and faith." Acts 11:24a

❖ Lies in the ointment - Ananias and Sapphira - Acts 5:1-11

But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back some of the price of the land? While it remained unsold, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, was it not under your control? Why is it that you have conceived this deed in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God." And as he heard these words, Ananias fell down and breathed his last; and great fear came over all who heard of it. Acts 5:3-5 (NASB)

Then Peter said to her, "Why is it that you have agreed together to put the Spirit of the Lord to the test? Behold, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out as well." And immediately she fell at his feet and breathed her last, and the young men came in and found her dead, and they carried her out and buried her beside her husband. And great fear came over the whole church, and over all who heard of these things. Acts 5:9-11 (NASB)

- The deception and duplicity of Ananias and Sapphira
- Were they Christians being disciplined or were they false believers being punished?

At key moments in God's Kingdom advancement He exercises His sovereign and severe correction to protect His people and the direction of His work.

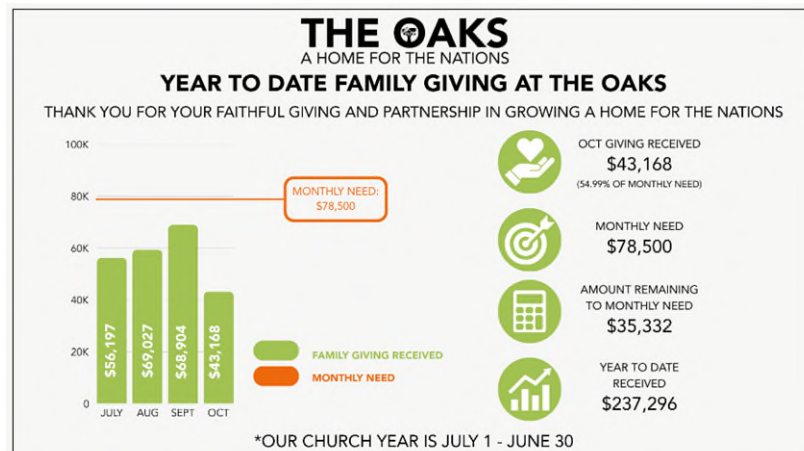
For we know Him who said, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge His people." It is a terrifying thing to fall into the hands of the living God. Hebrews 10:30,31 (NASB)

❖ God's Kingdom Continues to Advance - Acts 5:12-16

And all the more believers in the Lord, multitudes of men and women, were constantly added to their number, to such an extent that they even carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and pallets, so that when Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on any one of them. Also the people from the cities in the vicinity of Jerusalem were coming together, bringing people who were sick or afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all being healed. Acts 5:14-16 (NASB)

❖ Prayer and Reflection

- Ministry time with Prayer Partners



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