

The Oaks Community Church
Worship Guide



May 17, 2026

I. A Call to Worship

The LORD is trustworthy in all He promises and faithful in all He does. Psalm 145:13b (NIV)

II. Family Confession & Greeting

Emblems of the Holy Spirit - Fire

The holy nature of the Spirit who purifies us from sin and is the source of omnipotent power and supernatural love.

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.... They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Acts 2:1,3-4 (NIV)

III. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. II Corinthians 9:6,7 (NIV)



IV.

Positioned for Power
Acts 4:1-31
Pastor Nick Preston

I. Six Mindsets (& Heart Postures) of the Early Church Disciples

1. A Kingdom Mindset Toward Trials

³ They seized Peter and John and, because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day. ⁴ But many who heard the message believed; so the number of men who believed grew to about five thousand.

ACTS: Anchored Christians Transforming Society

Question for Reflection: How do you respond when trials come?

My response: _____

2. Clear Sense of Priority and Alignment

⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: “Rulers and elders of the people! ⁹ If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, ¹⁰ then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed.

ACTS: Aligned Christians Transforming Society

Question for Reflection: How can you better align your life to God’s purpose?

My response: _____

3. A Christ-Centered Focus

¹⁰ It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. ¹¹ Jesus is

“the stone you builders rejected,
which has become the cornerstone.’

¹² Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.” ¹³ When they saw the courage of Peter and John... they took note that these men had been with Jesus.

ACTS: Adoring Christians Transforming Society

Question for Reflection: Would anyone ever describe you as: “An ordinary man or woman who had been with Jesus?”

My response: _____

4. Joyful Acceptance of Life “Station”

¹³ When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished.

ACTS: Available Christians Transforming Society

Question for Reflection: Are you positioned to make the most of every opportunity and not wait....?

My response: _____

5. A Mission-First Prayer Posture

²⁴ When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God... ²⁹enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.

ACTS: Advancing Christians Transforming Society

Question for Reflection: Are you a pray-er?

My response: _____

6. A Continual Dependence on the Spirit

³¹ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

ACTS: Abiding Christians Transforming Society

Question for Reflection: Would you consider coming to the **Rivers Retreat - May 30th?**

My response: _____

II. A Call to Respond

“Lord, I want to be positioned for Your power.
Teach me to know Your Spirit more.
Fill me with Your Spirit—set my heart on fire for You.
Give me courage to step out in faith.
Specifically, help me to grow as an Acts 4 disciple in this area:

And use my life, like those in Acts 4, to impact the world for Jesus.
Amen.”

Rivers Retreat:

Saturday, May 30 9AM-5PM
Pine Mountain, CA

Register Today on the app

Soul Care Class:

Wednesday Evenings
6:30PM-8PM in the HHH

Registration Coming Soon!

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