PRAY

1. Leaders in worship: Pastor Brad Martin Barry Braman, & Josh Strother.

2. The Holy Spirit will move in our corporate worship gathering, leading us to exalt Jesus Christ.

3. Shady Oaks Baptist Church will grow in Christ-exalting, Gospel-advancing ministry in 2017.

4. Pray that God will move on us to be more evangelistic through our obedience in sharing the Gospel.

PREPARING FOR THE MESSAGE

"I LOVE MY CHURCH" 1 Corinthians 12:4-7, Romans 12:3-8

As Christians, we must learn how to act in good deeds. This shows others the depth of our love for Jesus and for each other. It helps us grow in wisdom and truth. It's a protection for us and serves as a witness to a world that would slander us and portray Christians in negative ways. Our behavior becomes our defense when we serve others. Serving is more about what Jesus is doing in us rather than what we are doing for other people. We are most like our Savior when we humble ourselves and serve.

PRAISE & ADORATION Never Gonna Let Me Go Power In The Blood O The Blood

Scripture Reading

Offertory Prayer 10,000 Reasons

God Of The Ages Kristian Stanfill

Once, I was lost, wand'ring in the darkness No life in side, no hope in sight But He called my name, and He healed my blindness Set me a, blaze, now I'm a, live with His love breaking through my heart of stone Love breathing to awake my bones Love reaching out to save my soul Love never gonna let me go And now, my heart, so full of worship I can't hold back, no I can't contain it For all He's done, Jesus my Savior I am ablaze and full of thanks for: Wherever you've been Whatever you've done Come as you are Come into His open arms Wherever you've been Whatever you've done Come as you are Come find His

O The Blood Kari Jobe

O the blood Crimson love Price of life's demand Shameful sin Placed on Him The Hope of every man

O the blood of Jesus washes me O the blood of Jesus shed for me What a sacrifice that saved my life Yes, the blood, it is my victory

Savior Son Holy One Slain so I can live See the Lamb The great I Am Who takes away my sin

O the blood of Jesus washes me O the blood of Jesus shed for me What a sacrifice that saved my life Yes, the blood, it is my victory

O what love No greater love Grace, how can it be That in my sin Yes, even then He shed His blood for me

RESPOND TO THE SERMON

LIFE GIVING TRUTH: In Christ, You Have Been Given An Amazing Ability To Be Used By God To Serve Others

TRUTH: You Have Superpowers - Spiritual Gifts

RESPONSE: God gives each and every one of His followers at least one, sometimes more than one spiritual gifts.

A spiritual gift is a Holy Spirit-empowered ability that is given to you to serve others for the glory of God.

God is the one who knew exactly which gifts you needed and which gifts were best suited for you.

This gift is a Spirit-empowered gift that enables you to do something supernatural.

- Here are three ways you can discover your gifting:
- 1. Start Volunteering In Church
- 2. Ask Others What They Think Your Gifts Are
- 3. Check Your Passion Level

TRUTH: You Have A Superpower Team: The Church

RESPONSE: 1 Corinthians 12:7 tells us that our gifts were given for the common good. This means that your gifts were given to you to help others, to serve others, and to benefit others.

What is one way you can use your gift to help our church?

TRUTH: This Superpower Team Has A Community And A City In Need

RESPONSE: Our church needs you. Our neighborhood needs you. Our city/community needs you.

Not because they need you, but because they need Jesus.

At Shady Oaks we have volunteer opportunities in our Kids ministry, Student ministry, Music & Worship, and in several other places in our church. If you are not currently volunteering at Shady Oaks, what is it that is holding you back?

We also have ongoing volunteer opportunities to serve in our community. This would be a great time to find out what your spiritual gift is, and put it into action.

Remember, In Christ, You Have Been Given An Amazing Ability To Be Used By God To Serve Others.

Before this week is over, make a plan to follow through and put your spiritual gift to work. Do whatever you can to meet the needs of others in your church. Allow God to teach you to love the church through this act of service.

FAMILY RESPONSE Sunday, September 10 "I LOVE MY CHURCH"

Talk with your family this week about our spiritual gifts as being the best gift we could ever receive. Let your children know that no matter how young or old we are, we can ALL be used by God to serve others in our church.

This week, think of ways you can serve one another at home at Shady Oaks, or in your community as a family.

Talk about ways we can serve one another by using the gifts God has given us. This could be as simple as picking up our toys, making our beds, or taking out the trash. At church, you could stand at a door and open it up so people can enter into our building. Or you could help pick up trash, pass out our worship guides, or help your Life Group leader in whatever way they need.

What are some needs within your community/neighborhood? This week, look for ways you can serve others in your community as you live for Jesus Christ!