To all who are weary and need rest ...
To all who mourn and long for comfort ...
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares ...
To all who struggle and desire strength ...
To all who sin and need a Savior ...
We do, too.

Welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, our great Hope and Joy, the reason we gather to celebrate and worship. Southwood opens wide our doors, our hearts, and our lives as our God has done for us.
Worship Service

MEDITATION
“We are only poor for this reason, that we do not know our riches in Christ.”
Richard Sibbes, The Bruised Reed

CALL TO WORSHIP
Derrick Harris
Assistant Pastor

LEADER: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord!

PEOPLE: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

LEADER: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving!

PEOPLE: Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

ALL: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods!
Psalm 95: 1-3

SONGS
“You Are Good”

Lord, you are good and your mercy endureth forever (Repeat 3x)
We worship you. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We worship you, for who you are.
You are good!

People from every nation and tongue,
From generation to generation,
We worship you. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We worship you, for who you are.
You are good, All the time!
All the time, you are good! (Repeat 3x)

“The Wonderful Cross”

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died.
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

See from his head, his hands, his feet
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

O the wonderful cross,
O the wonderful cross,
Bids me come and die
and find that I may truly live.

O the wonderful cross,
O the wonderful cross,
All who gather here
by grace draw near
and bless your name.

Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were an offering far too small,
Love so amazing, so divine
Demands my soul, my life, my all.
CONFESSION OF SIN
1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. 2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! 3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. 4 Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. 5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. 6 Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart. 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. 8 Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. 9 Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. 11 Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Psalm 51:1-12

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself.

Hebrews 7:23-27

SONG
“God, Be Merciful to Me”

God, be merciful to me; On thy grace I rest my plea Plenteous in compassion thou, Blot out my transgressions now Wash me, make me pure within; Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin;

I am evil, born in sin; Thou desirest truth within. Thou alone my savior art, Teach thy wisdom to my heart Make me pure, thy grace bestow, Wash me whiter than the snow.

My transgressions I confess; Grief and guilt my soul oppress. I have sinned against thy grace, And provoked thee to thy face. I confess thy judgement just; Speechless, I thy mercy trust.

Broken, humbled to the dust By thy wrath and judgement just, Let my contrite heart rejoice, And in gladness hear thy voice; From my sins O hide thy face, Blot them out in boundless grace.
Worship Service

Gracious God, my heart renew,
Make my spirit right and true.
Cast me not away from thee,
Let thy spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation’s joy impart,
Steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me,
And return, oh God to thee
Savior all my guilt remove,
And my tongue shall sing thy love.
Touch my silent lips, oh Lord,
And my mouth shall praise accord.

RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS
Tony and Sarah Collins • Rob and Amelia Daniels • Alex Kielnecker
Michael Pettit • Kurt and Katie Stefanie

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?

2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?

3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?

4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?

5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

BAPTISM
Alex Kielnecker

SONG
“Satisfied”

All my life long I had panted
for a drink from some cool spring,
That I hoped would quench the burning
of the thirst I felt within.

Chorus:
Hallelujah! He has found me.
The one my soul so long has craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings,
Through his blood I now am saved.

Feeding on the filth around me,
Til my strength was almost gone,

Longed my soul for something better,
Only still to hunger on.

Poor I was, and sought for riches,
Something that would satisfy,
But the dust I gathered round me
Only mocked my soul’s sad cry.

Well of water, ever springing,
Bread of life so rich and free,
Untold wealth that never faileth,
My redeemer is to me.
After the Worship Service

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Colossians 2:1-5
“Hidden Treasure”

24 Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, 25 of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, 26 the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. 27 To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. 28 Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. 29 For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

1 For I want you to know how great a struggle I have for you and for those at Laodicea and for all who have not seen me face to face, 2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God’s mystery, which is Christ, 3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. 4 I say this in order that no one may delude you with plausible arguments. 5 For though I am absent in body, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the firmness of your faith in Christ.

LORD’S SUPPER
The Lord’s Supper is the family meal of Christians. We invite all those who trust in Jesus and are baptized members in good standing of any church that preaches the good news of Jesus to partake in the meal with us. Children not yet received as members themselves or others not partaking today are encouraged to observe and/or ask an elder to pray with you after the service.

SONG OF RESPONSE

BENEDICTION
The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon yo and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26
Announcements

Welcome, Visitors!
We are delighted you have joined us for worship this morning and love the chance to get to know new people. We would love to answer any questions you may have and welcome you to Southwood. If you would send your contact information to us at worship@southwood.org, we will reach out to you this week.

Tinsel Trail Tree
Southwood is sponsoring a Tinsel Trail tree this year, and we need your help! There are several ways you may participate, including purchasing and decorating ornaments available today through November 1 for $5 each. Proceeds benefit Child Evangelism Fellowship, one of our local missions partners. Email robert.blevins@southwood.org for more info, or visit southwood.org/tinseltrail to choose how you would like to participate.

Congregational Meeting
There is a Congregational Meeting immediately following the service. Additional Associate Pastor Vow: Are you now willing to take the charge of this church, agreeable to your declaration when accepting their call? And do you, relying upon God for strength, promise to discharge to it the duties of a pastor?

Questions to Congregation:
1. Do you, the people of this congregation, continue to profess your readiness to receive Derrick Harris, whom you have called to be your pastor?

2. Do you promise to receive the word of truth from his mouth with meekness and love, and to submit to him in the due exercise of discipline?

This Week @ Southwood
Sunday, October 18
10:45am — Congregational Meeting
11:00am — Children and Youth Connect Hours

7:00pm — Sr. High-Life

Monday, October 19
6:30pm — Deacons Meeting

Tuesday, October 20
7:00am — Men’s Breakfast

Wednesday, October 21
6:00 pm — Jr. High-Life
6:30pm — Women’s Bible Study

Thursday, October 22
9:30am — Women’s Bible Study
6:30pm — Women’s Bible Study

Deacon/Finance Update
2020 Budget
$2,448,739

Weekly Budget Need
$47,091

Last Week’s Giving
$40,355

Year to Date Giving
$1,491,139

A giving box is located outside near the sanctuary doors for anyone who came prepared to give this morning.
Prayer Guide

Core Commitment
We are driven by relationships.

Ask that the love we experience and share as the body of Christ will be a clear testimony to the broader community of the realities of the Gospel.

Pray for true and lasting relationships among the young people in our church family and community.

Ask that Holy Spirit would produce new fruit of patience, forgiveness, and gentleness toward each other in our families and church family during a particularly stressful season.

Specific Needs
Praise God for the new members being publicly received into our church family on Sunday and pray that God would connect them deeply into the body of Christ for their good and his glory.

Pray for our junior high students and leaders - that God would bring eternal fruit from their retreat on Saturday.

Praise God for continued good progress for newborn Caleb Adcock in the NICU and pray for his family as he is released from the hospital to come home with them.

Mission Partner
Parakaleo
Parakaleo is a global nonprofit ministry that comes alongside women in church planting, helping them lead and love out of their gospel identity. Denine Blevins has served as Executive Director since March 2020. Please join them in praying for these requests:

Pray for women who are leading and serving in church plants around the world, for their healing and resilience.

Pray for 50 participants who are completing two virtual trainings, that they would experience renewal and refreshing.

Pray for Christ-dependence, courage and wisdom as Denine leads the staff into a new season and ministry model.

Senior Member
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Expectant Mothers
Alaine Moss — November 2020
Anna Brooks — November 2020
Elizabeth Fancher — December 2020
Hannah Atkins — December 2020
Jordan Razook — December 2020
Libby Potts — December 2020
Catherine Barrett — February 2021
Shawnda McKinney — April 2021
Cole Wasdin — May 2021
Southwood’s Vision and Mission
Southwood exists to advance the kingdom of God as we experience and express grace.

Southwood’s Core Commitments
We are committed to being Christ-centered.

We recognize our deep dependence and need for prayer.

We are driven by relationships.

We strive to love the least, the lost, the littlest, the lonely, and the left-out.

We seek the restoration of all creation in Huntsville and beyond.

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