



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.

November 1, 2020

8:45 AM Prayer Gathering

9:30 AM Worship Service

11:00 AM Connect Hour

Worship Service

We contemplate who God is and who we are as we gather to worship.

MEDITATION

“Coming to God as consumers saved by following the instructions on the product label rather than as sinners saved by grace is not only the essence of human sin, it does not even deliver on its promise of liberation. Instead it drives us deeper into ourselves, into the solitary confinement of convictions, longings, felt needs, experiences, and assumptions that we already have. It keeps us from ever being disrupted by someone greater than our own half-hearted achievements.”

Michael Horton,
Christless Christianity

God welcomes us into his presence and reorients our hearts to Him and each other.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Ron Clegg
Associate Pastor

LEADER: To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

ALL: Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maidservant to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, till he has mercy upon us.

Psalm 123:1-2

We express the worth of our God and the emotions of our hearts to Him and each other.

PRAYER

SONGS

“All Hail the Pow’r of Jesus Name”
“God of My Life, to Thee I Call”

We consider it a joy to have multiple generations worship together.

A Nursing Mothers’ Room is also at the back of the sanctuary.

Ushers can provide you a hearing assistance device if helpful.

Worship Service

We affirm together what we believe.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

LEADER: For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God.

ALL: And because of him [we] are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

SONG

"Narrow Little Road"

We talk honestly with God about our weakness, brokenness, and idolatry.

CONFESSION OF SIN

"Do not be afraid; you have done all this evil. Yet do not turn aside from following the LORD, but serve the LORD with all your heart. And do not turn aside after empty things that cannot profit or deliver, for they are empty."

1 Samuel 12:20-21

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

God reminds us of his grace and forgiveness as the foundation of our relationship.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"For the LORD will not forsake his people, for his great name's sake, because it has pleased the LORD to make you a people for himself."

1 Samuel 12:22

SONG

"It Is Well with My Soul"

Worship Service

We celebrate how God's grace flows through us in our relationships and community.

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

"Come to Jesus"

Giving boxes are located in the rear of the Sanctuary.

God speaks to us through the Bible as it is explained and applied to us.

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Will Spink
Senior Pastor

Colossians 2:8-15

"Watch out! It's a Trap!"

SONG OF RESPONSE

"It Is Well with My Soul"

God sends us on his mission with his blessing.

BENEDICTION

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

Numbers 6:24-26



Following the Worship Service

Pastor Will will greet people and pray with them at the front of the sanctuary.

Join us for Connect Hour, relating with God and each other around his Word.

Adults: Gather in the Connecting Spaces

High-Life Connects: Jr./Sr. High classes outside the Lodge across the street

Kids Connect: Birth-6th grade classes in Nursery and outside

Sermon Notes

WARNING: Beware of paths that offer freedom but actually, in leading you away from Jesus, lead you into captivity.

Many Paths that lead to captivity and emptiness (2:8)

1. Marked by man-centered thinking
2. Focused on the spirit of the age
3. Do NOT provide what they promise

One Path that leads to freedom and fullness (2:9-15)

1. Marked by Christ-centered thinking
2. Focused on forgiveness, freedom, victory earned by Jesus
3. Provides everything it promises (and all you need!)

How do we heed Paul's warning?

Announcements

Welcome, Visitors!

We are delighted you have joined us for worship this morning and love the chance to get to know new people. If you would send any contact information you would like us to use to worship@southwood.org, we will reach out to you this week.

Tinsel Trail Tree

It's not too late to help with Southwood's tree on Tinsel Trail. Sign up today at southwood.org/tinseltrail.

Santa's Secret Shop

Second Mile Development, one of our local missions partners, has created contactless ways for you to contribute toys and other items to Santa's Secret Shop this year. Go to southwood.org/santa to view an Amazon gift list. Purchase items online, and they will be shipped directly to Second Mile. To shop local, call The Toy Place Downtown at 256-213-7069. You can shop over the phone or in person. Second Mile will pick up the items at the store. For more options and info, contact shannon.clark@southwood.org.

Thanksgiving Praise Service & Fellowship (Outdoors)

Our next outdoor worship service is scheduled for Nov 22 at 10:30am. Join us for a time of thanksgiving and praise as we share testimonies and enjoy lunch, catapults, and a bike parade following the worship service!

This Week @ Southwood

Sunday, November 1

11:00am — Kids/Youth Connect
11:00am — Adult Connect Hour
7:00pm — Sr. High-Life

Tuesday, November 3

7:00am — Men's Breakfast

Wednesday, November 4

6:00pm — Jr. High-Life
6:30pm — Women's Bible Study

Thursday, November 5

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

\$67,924

Year to Date Giving

\$1,580,359

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and to give electronically.**

Prayer Guide

Core Commitment

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

Pray that the Church of Jesus Christ will increasingly offer the hope of Jesus Christ and Him crucified to a hurting world rather than the hope of human power, control, or comfort.

Ask for eyes to see opportunities to love the lonely and isolated during this challenging season.

Pray for a growing sense of our own natural alienation from God that would warm our hearts toward others who are distant from Him or his people.

Specific Needs

Pray for our city and nation as we head into a heated election season, and pray that we as the Church would live in light of our dual citizenship in heaven and Huntsville/America.

Pray for former Southwood member Karen Olin in the sudden death of her husband, Phil, this week.

Pray for France and our mission partners there and in other countries around the world - that God would sustain them and open doors for the gospel in the midst of challenging situations.

Mission Partner

Alex & Suzanne Sarran - Lyon, France
The Sarrans, along with their six children, lead the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Lyon. Their ministry brings the light of the Gospel to a spiritually dark community. Please support them by praying for these requests.

Pray for perseverance as we continue to deal with changing Covid restrictions.

Pray that God would guide Alex as he preaches through the book of Job.

Ask God to give us wisdom regarding a possible furlough in the US this Winter.

Senior Member

Marie Hill
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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

**Email prayer@southwood.org
to be included in this Prayer Guide.**

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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