



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.

February 14, 2021

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.

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

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

MEDITATION

“God’s love is willing sacrifice for our redemptive good that didn’t demand reciprocation or that the people being loved were deserving.”
Paul Tripp

CALL TO WORSHIP

Derrick Harris
Associate Pastor

LEADER: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are

PEOPLE: *Praise God for the love that he has given us!*

LEADER: By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for each other.

PEOPLE: *Praise God for the love that he has shown us!*

LEADER: But if anyone has the world’s goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God’s love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

PEOPLE: *Praise God for the love that he desires of us!*

LEADER: In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

PEOPLE: *Praise God for the love that he has manifested among us!*

LEADER: And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.

ALL: *Praise God for the love that he has commanded us!*

1 John 3 and 4

SONG

“How Great”

PRAYER

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.

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We affirm together what we believe.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

LEADER: We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me.

PEOPLE: *For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.*

PEOPLE: May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

ALL: *May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may abound in hope.*

Romans 15

SONG

"Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

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

CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy God, we groan at our weaknesses, and we ask forgiveness. Your Word is so clear, and your grace is so good. But we close our ears to your call, and with our pride we foul the gifts you have given us. We know what you require of us; yet, what we do is not the good we want to do, and the evil we do not want to do, we keep on doing. We mistreat those we love, and we dishonor you, the One who made us. How long, O Lord, will we continue to ignore your will? Yet you provide streams of living mercy; you invite us again and again to live renewed lives. So we turn once again to the cross, to the empty tomb, to the stone rolled away, to our interceding Lord Jesus Christ seated at your right hand, to the gracious gift of your Spirit.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,

Worship Service

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

in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.
Ephesians 2:20-22

SONG "How Deep The Father's Love For Us"

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG "Give It Time"

Parents may escort K-1st graders upstairs during offertory. Giving boxes are located in the rear of the Sanctuary.

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

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Will Spink
Senior Pastor

Colossians 3:18-19
"Each for the Other, Both for Christ"

God invites us to taste and see his goodness in the bread and cup that represent the body of blood of Jesus for us.

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 service.

God sends us on his mission with his blessing.

BENEDICTION

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
2 Corinthians 13:14



Following the Worship Service

Pastor Will will greet and pray with people 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 in the Lodge across the street

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

Sermon Notes

Introduction

- Important similarities:
- Important distinctions:

1. Wives, submit ... (3:18)

- Live your life in a way that brings honor to another
- The submission of Christ

2. Husbands, love ... (3:19)

- Give your life in a way that brings flourishing to another
- The love of Christ

Conclusion

True love for broken lovers: Christ as more than example

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 send your contact information to worship@southwood.org, we will reach out to you this week.

Men's and Women's Small Groups

Our women are studying Luke 1-8. It's not too late to join us in person or on Zoom; four different groups and times are open! Visit southwood.org/springstudy to sign up! Our men are studying I Peter on Tuesdays at 7:00am at Another Broken Egg downtown. For more info, contact shannon.clark@southwood.org.

Family Movie Night

Join us next Friday, Feb. 26, at 6pm at the Lodge for a family friendly movie, pizza, and popcorn. Suggested donation: \$4/person or \$15/family. Email kim.delchamps@southwood.org to RSVP.

Serve with Jobs for Life

Southwood's mission partner, The CornerStone Initiative, is recruiting students and mentors for an eight-week Jobs for Life class teaching soft skills that can help people succeed in finding better employment. Mentor training started Feb. 4, but volunteers are still needed. For details, email shannon.clark@southwood.org.

This Week @ Southwood

Sunday, February 14

11:00am – Connect Hour (All Ages)

7:00pm – Sr. High-Life

Monday, February 15

6:30pm – Deacons Meeting

Tuesday, February 16

7:00am – Men's Bible Study/Breakfast

Wednesday, February 17

6:00pm – Jr. High-Life

6:30pm – Women's Bible Study

Thursday, February 18

10:00am – Women's Bible Study

6:30pm – Women's Bible Study

Deacon/Finance Update 2021 Budget

Weekly Budget Need

Last Week's Giving

\$47,352

Year to Date Giving

\$167,620

**Download the Southwood App for more calendar info
and to give electronically.**

Prayer Guide

Core Commitment

We are committed to being Christ-centered.

Ask that Holy Spirit would give us insight into new opportunities for Christ-centered relationships during this season of change and challenge.

Pray that the beauty, glory, majesty, and grace of Jesus would consume all of our thoughts, plans, dreams, and pursuits.

Ask that we would live sacrificially before a watching world who would witness the value of knowing Jesus in our lives.

Specific Needs

Pray for Judy Covington as she has returned home to recover from hip replacement and a subsequent blood clot.

Pray for Kristen Woods as she recovers from surgery this week and tries to rest in the weeks ahead.

Pray for Anna Catherine Harris as she cares for her father, who is being treated for lung cancer.

Pray for both our domestic and global mission partners, as many of them are seeking to raise additional funding in light of COVID disruptions to some of their previous supporters.

Pray for the marriages in our church to be beautiful pictures of Christ-reflecting, mutual love and forgiveness.

Mission Partner

The Cornerstone Initiative

The Cornerstone Initiative serves low income neighbors in Huntsville's Westside communities. Some specific programs they provide focus on job training and money management. Please support them by praying for these requests.

The mentor training for our upcoming Jobs for Life class will be held over Zoom. Please pray that we will still be able to have clear communication and good discussion with the trainees.

Pray that God would guide us as we continue to recruit students for the class. We would love to have a full class of twelve students to train and support.

Senior Member

Eileen Sessions

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Expectant Mothers

Shawnda McKinney — April 2021

Amber Colvard — April 2021

Grace Guin — April 2021

Cole Wasdin — May 2021

Lou Ellen Schweers — May 2021

Brett Stanfield — June 2021

Cayce McAlister — July 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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Grace