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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.

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**August 9, 2020**

8:45 AM Prayer Gathering

9:30 AM Worship Service

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# Worship Service

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

## MEDITATION

Jesus called Satan a murderer. "He was a murderer from the beginning, and has nothing to do with the truth...he is a liar and the father of lies" (John 8:44). But his main interest is not killing. It is damning. In fact, he much prefers that his followers have long and happy lives--to mock suffering saints and hide the horrors of hell. His power to damn human beings lies not in himself, but in the sins that he inspires and lies that he tells. The only thing that damns anybody is unforgiven sin.

John Piper

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

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Ron Clegg  
Associate Pastor

LEADER: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

PEOPLE: *Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!*

LEADER: Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints,

PEOPLE: *for those who fear him have no lack!*

LEADER: The young lions suffer want and hunger;

ALL: *but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.*

Psalm 34:8-10

## INVOCATION

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

## SONG

"Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus"

**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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# Worship Service

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We affirm together what we believe.

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 8:35-39

## SONG

“By His Wounds”

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

## CONFESSION OF SIN

“I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body, and after that have nothing more that they can do. But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him!”

Luke 12:4-5

## PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

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

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

“Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God. Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows.”

Luke 12:6-7, ESV

## SONG

“Why Should I Fear”

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# Worship Service

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We celebrate our dependence upon God and steward his resources.

## GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERTORY SONG

“You Found Me”

Giving boxes are located in the rear of the Sanctuary and are available before and after service.

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

### PREACHING OF THE WORD

Derrick Harris  
Assistant Pastor

Hebrews 2:14-15

“Fear and Freedom”

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 the service.

God sends us on his mission with his blessing.

### BENEDICTION

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21



### Following the Worship Service

Pastors will greet people and pray with them outside after worship.

Please go outside through the Narthex doors and take trash with you.

In lieu of prayer cards, email prayer needs to [prayer@southwood.org](mailto:prayer@southwood.org).

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## **Sermon Notes**

Christ died to move us from a life of Fear to a life of Freedom

1. Common Fears

2. The ultimate fear behind all fears

3. How can we be set free from the ultimate fear behind all fears?

4. Freedom from the ultimate fear becomes the foundation for freedom from our common fears.

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# Announcements

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## 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 Huntsville and/or Southwood. 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.

## Outdoor Worship Service

Join us for an outdoor worship service on Sunday, August 23. Details coming soon!

## Blood Drive Results

Many thanks to everyone who participated in the blood drive. Total collection was 65 pints, including 6 pints of Power Red.

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## This Week @ Southwood

### Sunday, August 9

10:45am — Jr/Sr High-Life Connects  
12:00pm — GPS Meeting

### Tuesday, August 11

6:30pm — Session Meeting

### Thursday, August 13

6:30pm — Women's Bible Study

### Friday, August 14

7:30pm — Family Movie Night

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## Deacon/Finance Update

### 2020 Budget

\$2,448,739

### Weekly Budget Need

\$47,091

### Last Week's Giving

\$33,503

### Year to Date Giving

\$1,154,479

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

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# Prayer Guide

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## Core Commitment

**We are committed to being Christ-centered.**

Pray that the Southwood leadership would be diligent in maintaining our Christ-centered focus for all of our ministries.

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

Pray that we would have a clearer vision of the glory of Jesus, and that we would also, therefore, have a better understanding of what it means to be Christ-centered.

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## Specific Needs

Pray for Christy Spink and family in the death of her grandmother. Pray they will safely gather to celebrate her life and mourn their loss.

Pray for Scott Branum's mother who will have hernia surgery on Tuesday. Pray for successful surgery and complete healing.

Pray for McLaine Kent and Travis Bayless who married on July 25. Pray that God will continue to bless their union.

Pray for our homebound members that they may find connection, hope and comfort during these uncertain times.

Pray for our church leadership and staff as they plan for ministry this fall given the challenges of the pandemic.

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## Mission Partner

**Chase Daws**

*Chase Daws is the leader of Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) on the campus of UC Berkeley. He and his wife Holly have two young sons. Please support them and their ministry by praying for these requests.*

Pray for the health of our account. Due to the impact of Covid on the economy, we have lost a significant amount of our annual support. We are thankful for Southwood's continued partnership and are trusting God to bring new supporters to fill the current gap.

Please pray for the students at UC Berkeley, as morale is at an all-time low. We want to create spaces for them to connect to each other and to the life of God, especially now.

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## Senior Member

**Bettie Murray**

2414 Penn St. SW  
Huntsville, AL 35801

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## Expectant Mothers

**Nina Cash**— August 2020

**Taylor Bozeman**— September 2020

**Veronica Adcock**— November 2020

**Alaine Moss**— November 2020

**Anna Brooks**— November 2020

**Elizabeth Fancher**— December 2020

**Hannah Atkins**— December 2020

**Jordan Razook**— December 2020

**Email [prayer@southwood.org](mailto:prayer@southwood.org)  
to be included in this Prayer Guide.**

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**Southwood's Vision and Mission**

Southwood exists to advance the kingdom of God as we experience and express grace.

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**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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