



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.

September 27, 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

"I am well satisfied it will not be a burden to me at the hour of death, nor be laid to my charge at the day of judgment, that I have thought too highly of the Lord Jesus Christ or labored too much in commending and setting Him forth to others, as the Alpha and Omega, the Lord our righteousness, the sufficient atonement for sin, the only Mediator between God and men, the true God and eternal life."

John Newton

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Derrick Harris
Assistant Pastor

LEADER: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

PEOPLE: *This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.*

LEADER: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

PEOPLE: *This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.*

ALL: *This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

Psalms 118:19-24

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

SONGS

"Joy to the World"
"Revelation Song"

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.

Worship Service

We affirm together what we believe.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Revelation 22:1-5

SONG

“Be Thou My Vision”

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

CONFESSION OF SIN

O Lord, eternity is yours, so you cannot be ignorant of what we tell you. By confessing our own miserable state to You and acknowledging your mercy towards us we open our hearts to You, so that You may free us wholly, as you have already begun to do; so we may cease to be wretched in ourselves and may find our happiness in You. Therefore, we acknowledge our sin before You. In how many ways have we failed You, Our Lord? O Lord, the depths of our conscience lie bare before your eyes. Could anything of ours remain hidden from You, even if we refused to confess it? We should only be shielding our eyes from seeing You, not hiding ourselves from You. For You have called us to be poor in spirit, meek, hungry and thirsting for righteousness, merciful, pure in heart, and peacemakers. Forgive us for every failure to be what You have called us to be, what the Lord Christ saved us to be, and what we ourselves, in our hearts desire to be for your sake. Forgive us, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Adapted from Augustine's *Confessions*

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

Romans 8:10-11

Worship Service

SONG

"Before the Throne of God Above"

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

"The Revelation of Jesus Christ"

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

Will Spink
Senior Pastor

Colossians 1:15-20

"Jesus, Lord of All, Part 3"

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Joy to the World"

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: Meet 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

1. The Glory of the New Creation

2. The Work of Restoration

3. The Glory of the Creator-Restorer

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 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.

HeyDay! at Tate Farms

All are invited to join our Southwood Family on Monday, October 12, from 4:30-8:30pm at Tate Farms in Meridianville. Together we will enjoy a bonfire, petting zoo, music and hayrides, plus everyone goes home with a pumpkin! Invite friends and neighbors! Cost is \$5/person. Register at southwood.org/heyday.

Adult Connect Hour

Bring your questions and join us for a time of Q&A with Pastor Will following the service this morning. We will be asking what the Bible says about various issues, but you can help pick the issues! No question is out of bounds, but for the sake of time, some will need to be revisited in future weeks.

Outdoor Worship Service - Oct 18

Our next scheduled outdoor worship service is Sunday, October 18.

This Week @ Southwood

Sunday, September 27

10:30am — Connect Hour (All Ages)
7:00pm — Sr. High-Life

Tuesday, September 29

7:00am — Men's Breakfast

Wednesday, September 30

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

Thursday, October 1

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

\$35,273

Year to Date Giving

\$1,380,735

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

Prayer Guide

Core Commitment

We recognize our deep dependence and need for prayer.

Pray that current events would increase our desperation for divine aid.

Ask that Holy Spirit would remind us daily of the goodness and strength of our Heavenly Father.

Pray for revival in our community that would feature increased faith in God as faith in ourselves is shaken.

Specific Needs

Pray for Ron Clegg as he recovers from surgery to repair a broken hip sustained last weekend.

Praise God for the birth of Harriet Sarah Bozeman to Drew and Taylor this week.

Praise God for the birth of Caleb Stephen Adcock to Tim and Veronica this week.

Praise God for Scott Branum's safety and recovery from passing out during last Sunday's service.

Pray for our small groups to deepen relationships with each other as we consider together what it means for us to be the Church.

Mission Partner

Justin and Alanna Huston

The Hustons serve with Serge in Dublin, Ireland. They mentor missionary apprentices, work with summer interns, and support church revitalization efforts. Please join them in praying for these requests.

Praise God with us for opportunities to see our team and meet together as a church after months of Covid restrictions.

Pray for perseverance for us as Covid numbers begin to rise again and we face the possibility of new restrictions.

Senior Member

Sandy Newby

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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

**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