



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.

April 9, 2023

6:30 AM Easter Sunrise Service

8:45 AM Prayer Gathering

9:30 AM Worship Service

11:00 AM Easter Celebration

Worship Service

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

MEDITATION

“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Jesus Christ

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared.

PEOPLE: And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

LEADER: While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them,

ALL: “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.”

Luke 24:1-6

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

SONG

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

PRAYER

We encourage one another by sharing of God’s gracious work in our lives.

STORY OF GRACE: RESURRECTION HOPE

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

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

Ushers can provide you a hearing assistance device if helpful.

Worship Service

We rejoice in the promises that are ours by faith because of Jesus' resurrection.

PROFESSING THE RESURRECTION PROMISES

LEADER: Christ is risen! He appeared alive to Cephas, then to the twelve disciples, then to more than 500 people, then to James, then to all the apostles, and then to Paul himself.

PEOPLE: By his wounds we are healed! Christ is risen from the dead!

LEADER: Christ is risen! Because he is risen, we are now born again to a living hope.

PEOPLE: And we will be raised with him! Christ is risen from the dead!

LEADER: Christ is risen! Because he is risen, we are born again to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled and unfading, kept secure in heaven for us.

PEOPLE: Death is dead! Christ is risen from the dead!

LEADER: Christ is risen! Because he is risen, we now live under God's grace and sin no longer has dominion over us.

PEOPLE: Love has won! Christ is risen from the dead!

LEADER: Christ is risen! Because he is risen, we are justified by faith and have peace with God.

ALL: Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!

from 1 Peter 1, Romans 5 and 6, 1 Corinthians 15

SONGS

"Resurrection Hymn"
"God So Loved"

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONGS LED BY SOUTHWOOD VOICES

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"
"Because He Lives"

Worship Service

God speaks to us through the Bible explained and applied to our lives.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PREACHING OF THE WORD

I Corinthians 15:50-58
"Becoming Imperishable"

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

** Gluten-free bread is available on each table.*

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Thank You, Jesus, for the Blood"

God sends us on his mission with his blessing.

BENEDICTION

Now may the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good for doing his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hebrews 13:20-21



Following the Worship Service

Join us today for our Easter Celebration, then next Sunday for Connect Hour, relating with God and each other around his Word.

Adults: Gather in rooms on hallway across from the Nursery

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

Kids Connect: Birth-5th grade classes in Nursery and upstairs

Sermon Notes

1. The Problem of Being _____ (15:50)

2. The Wonder of Becoming _____ (15:51-56)

3. The Only Way for the _____ to Become _____ (15:57-58)

Helping Lead Today's Worship Service

- **Will Spink** Senior Pastor
- **Derrick Harris** Associate Pastor
- **Jeremy McCoy** Announcements
- **Anna Catherine Harris** Story of Grace
- **DJ Baptiste** Director, Music Ministry
- **Newt Johnson** Piano
- **Tim Adcock** Keys
- **Nick Walker** Bass Guitar
- **Ron Poteat** Electric Guitar
- **Ben Niemitz** Drums
- **Lyndsay Abel** Vocals
- **Nina Cash** Vocals
- **Jarrett Kaempfer** Audio
- **Josh Cash** Slides
- **Daniel Brown** Livestream

Announcements

Easter Celebration

Please join us following today's worship service for an Easter Celebration featuring an egg hunt for kids, a selfie/family photo booth, and cookies for all.

Parent CAFE

All parents (infants - 12th grade) are welcome to join us for our next Parent CAFE on Thursday, April 27, 6:00-7:30pm in the Lodge for a dinner and discussion led by the Youth and Children's Staff. Our focus will be "Not Just a Parent: How our identity in Christ flows out into our parenting." Childcare and a meal will be provided for younger children. Visit southwood.org to register and invite a friend!

VBS Crew Leader Volunteers

Vacation Bible School is June 20-22, and we are now searching for crew leaders. This year's theme is "Stellar," as we explore how to shine Jesus' light! If you're ready for an out-of-this-world adventure, join our mission by leading 6-8 space cadets around various VBS space stations. For three days (9am to noon), you and your crew will sing, worship, pray, and play as you explore God's Word together! Visit southwood.org to sign up to be a Crew Leader today! Registration for kids opens soon!

Connect Community Classes

Our Connect Community classes will resume next Sunday after the worship service. Classes are available for all ages, birth to adult.

This Week @ Southwood Sunday, April 9

6:00am – Men's Fellowship
6:30am – Sunrise Service
8:45am – Prayer Gathering
9:30am – Worship Service
11:00am – Easter Celebration
7:00pm – No Sr. High-Life

Wednesday, April 12

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

Thursday, April 13

10:00am – Women's Bible Study

Join us in pursuing God's mission together each week by becoming part of a smaller community through Grace Groups. To get connected, please visit southwood.org/gg.

Deacon/Finance Update 2023 Budget

\$2,555,912

Weekly Budget Need

\$49,152

Last Week's Giving

\$49,393

Year to Date Giving

\$514,870



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Prayer Guide

Core Commitment

We are driven by relationships.

Ask that our Grace Groups would increasingly be havens of refuge for those who are hurting and lonely to find life-giving community.

Pray for relationships to grow across generations so that we would grow together as the family God has called us to be.

Ask that God would give us friendships with people of different backgrounds and perspectives so that we can learn to value Jesus more together.

Specific Needs

Pray for Karla Cash as she helps her mom transition back home on comfort care following some recent strokes.

Pray for Justin and Alanna Huston as they prepare to return to their mission work in Ireland next week.

Pray for ongoing grieving and healing in our city as well as in our sister church and school in Nashville following recent tragic events.

Pray for fruit in our lives and community from our Easter services and special celebrations of the heart of the good news of Jesus.

Missions Partner Requests

Macklann and Rose Basse - Togo

The Basses are community leaders in Lome, Togo. Along with planting a church, Macklann founded and directs a missionary training organization, and Rose is the principal of a Christian elementary school. You can support them and their ministry by praying for these requests.

We thank God that he has provided a building for our church. Continue to pray that we receive the remaining funds that are needed for the down payment.

Please pray for the students at our school, that God would give them grace and also a love for studies and knowledge.

Pray for our church community to be strengthened in faith and in love for God and one another.

Senior Member

Sandy Newby

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Expectant Mothers

Kathryn Jones — April 2023

Maddie Searcy — April 2023

Brett Stanfield — May 2023

Sarah Putman — May 2023

Megan Craig — June 2023

Alaine Moss — July 2023

Stephanie Tomes — July 2023

Amanda Tatum — July 2023

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

Southwood's Mission

Southwood exists to experience and express grace in relationships that impact eternity.

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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