



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.

June 1, 2025

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

At its core, life in the kingdom is not so much about pursuing a thing; it is about pursuing a person. It is about having the eyes of my heart focused on Christ. It is about a soul filled with appreciation and brimming with affection. It is walking around astounded that he would place his affection on me and even receive my flawed love. It is living with the hope that ... someday I will be united to him and live with him forever.

Paul David Tripp, *A Quest for More*

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright.

PEOPLE: *Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!*

LEADER: Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

ALL: *Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.*

Psalm 33

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

SONGS

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”
“House of the Lord”

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Helping Lead Today’s Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Nick Walker Bass Guitar
- Chandler McCoy Drums
- Lyndsay Abel Vocals
- Kim Watkins Vocals
- Kaitlyn Young Audio
- Andrew Foreman Livestream
- Amanda Tatum Slides

Worship Service

God speaks to us through the Bible to assure us of his faithful commitment to even unfaithful people.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

“At that time, declares the Lord, I will be the God of all the clans of Israel, and they shall be my people.” Thus says the Lord: “The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the Lord appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. ... For the Lord has ransomed Jacob and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall be like a watered garden, and they shall languish no more. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy; I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will feast the soul of the priests with abundance, and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness, declares the Lord. ... For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.”

from Jeremiah 31

SONG

“Tabernacle”

We talk with our Father about our brokenness, idolatry, and need for Him.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy God, worthy of our undivided attention and unending worship, we confess that we are distracted people. Forgive us for desires that fall short of your glory, words that demean your image in others, and actions that pursue life in sources other than you. Renew our hearts by your Holy Spirit within us.

PRIVATE CONFESSION

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ — by grace you have been saved!

Ephesians 2:4-5

SONG

“Christ Is Mine Forevermore”

Worship Service

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG
“I Belong to Jesus”

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

PREACHING OF THE WORD
Ephesians 2
“Located in Christ”

SONG OF RESPONSE
“Christ Is Mine Forevermore”

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 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-5th grade classes in Nursery and upstairs

Sermon Notes

Introduction: The Importance of Union with Christ

1. _____ are in _____

So What? _____ ...

2. _____ is in _____

So What? _____ ...

Conclusion: Protection and Power in a Person

Grace Group Questions *(for fuller discussion guide, visit southwood.org)*

1. What is your reaction when you hear of the importance of union with Christ? Cynicism? Disinterest? Excitement? Unfamiliarity? Confusion? Hope?
2. On a daily basis, do you feel yourself living close to Jesus or usually at a distance? What is God’s desire and his reality for your relationship?
3. In what area or situation of your life do you want to experience yourself more “in Christ” as well as “in _____?” Who can pray with you for that this summer?

Announcements

Bagels & Connection

Grab a bagel, pull up a chair, and enjoy some unhurried time to build relationships after worship—whether you're meeting someone new or reconnecting with old friends. Join us in the Gathering Spaces during the Connect Hour, immediately following the worship service.

Yee Haw! Join Us for VBS

Get ready to giddy up! Vacation Bible School is next week, June 8-11, and we've got some fun surprises in store. Register as a ranch-hand (volunteer) or sign up as a buckaroo (child) at southwood.org. Invite your friends to join us ... we've still got room!

Leadership Training Class TODAY

Interested in a deeper dive into God's Word and our theology? Feeling called to lead or teach at Southwood? Join Pastor Will for our Leadership Training Class, Theology Module, this summer (starts today in Room B) during Connect Hour.

Worship Night - Save the Date!

Save the date for our next Worship Night: Summer Songs and Sweets, Sunday, June 29, at 6pm with ice cream, etc. to follow.

This Week @ Southwood

Sunday, June 1

8:45am – Prayer Gathering
9:30am – Worship Service
11:00am – Connect Hour (all ages)
3:30pm – Youth Return from Trip

Thursday, June 5

2:00pm – Women's Grace Group

Join us on God's mission together by becoming part of a smaller community through Grace Groups. Women's groups, men's groups, and mixed-gender groups meet throughout the week. Sign up to get connected to any of these groups at southwood.org/grace-groups.

Deacon/Finance Update

Quarterly Budget Need is based on Southwood's historical giving patterns.

Apr-Jun Budget Need: \$558,565
Apr-Jun Giving to Date: \$361,326

Last Week's Giving

\$27,934



Scan this QR code to give electronically.

Learn more, see full event calendars, and give electronically at southwood.org.

Prayer Guide

Core Commitments

We seek the restoration of all creation in Huntsville and beyond.

Pray for unity in Huntsville across racial, socioeconomic, denominational, and political lines.

Ask for God to give each of us a bigger vision of our daily calling fitting into his kingdom coming on earth as in heaven.

Pray for revival in Huntsville churches to shape the culture of our neighborhoods, schools, and businesses.

Specific Needs

Pray for Cindy Guy in the death of her mother last weekend.

Pray for the final preparations for VBS this week and for God to bring many kids to hear the good news of Jesus.

Praise God for the particularization today of a church plant from our partner church in Budapest, Hungary.

Pray for our senior high students and staff to grow relationships with God and one another on their trip.

Pray for Leadership Training starting Sunday to be a rich time together.

Pray for our Summer Connect Hour Series to develop new and existing relationships across generations.

Pray that Holy Spirit will use our summer sermon series to transform how we approach all of life in Christ.

Missions Partner Requests

Mint Saetung - Bangkok, Thailand
Mint is a new Southwood Mission Partner. She serves full-time with Samaritan Creation and volunteers with Rak Teh Ministry (YWAM). In obedience to God's specific calling, she has dedicated her life to reaching out to women working in prostitution in Red- light areas in Bangkok. You can support Mint by praying for these requests.

Strength and energy to serve.

Healing from nightly rashes and sleep interruptions.

Guidance as she teaches and mentors three women at Samaritan Creation.

Protection and salvation for her family—grandmother, aunt, and brother.

Senior Member

Clayton and Nannette Morgan
443 Jasmine Dr.
Madison, AL 35757

Expectant Mothers

Caroline Jewell — June 2025
Lily Hatfield — June 2025
Amelia Daniels — August 2025
Hannah Atkins — September 2025
Kaitlyn Young — October 2025

**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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