



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 11, 2023

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

“When I fear my faith will fail,
Christ will hold me fast.
When the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast.

I could never keep my hold
Through life’s fearful path,
For my love is often cold;
He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast;
He will hold me fast,
For my Savior loves me so;
He will hold me fast.”

Ada Habershon &
Matthew Sherman Merker

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

PEOPLE: *His love endures forever.*

LEADER: Give thanks to the God of gods.

PEOPLE: *His love endures forever.*

LEADER: Give thanks to the Lord of lords:

PEOPLE: *His love endures forever.*

LEADER: Give thanks to the God of heaven.

PEOPLE: *His love endures forever.*

Psalm 136:1-3, 26

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

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SONG

“How Firm a Foundation”

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 talk honestly
with our Father
about our
weakness,
idolatry, and
need for Him.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us
our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

1 John 1:9

SONG

"There Is a Fountain"

God places
the sign of
his covenant
promises on
the children of
parents placing
their trust in Him.

BAPTISM

Andrew and Vada Nelson

Son and Daughter of Michael and Mary Nelson

SONG

"Cornerstone"

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

"Christ Is Mine Forevermore"

Worship Service

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

PREACHING OF THE WORD

1 Peter 5:12-14
"Standing Firm"

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 in center front and back.*
** Grape juice is in clear cups in the outer ring of each tray, while wine is in purple cups in the inner rings.*

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Christ Is Mine Forevermore"

God sends us on his mission with his blessing.

BENEDICTION

And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

I Peter 5:10-11



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 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

Standing firm ... in the midst of suffering ... in the true grace of God

1. Identity

- Value/Security

- Purpose/Significance

- Belonging/Community

2. Eternity

3. Trinity

Helping Lead Today's Worship Service

- **Will Spink** Senior Pastor
- **Bill Harritt** Associate Pastor
- **Newt Johnson** Piano
- **Jacob Dumbacher** Organ
- **Ron Poteat** Acoustic Guitar
- **Nick Walker** Bass Guitar
- **Ben Niemitz** Drums
- **Lyndsay Abel** Vocals
- **Nina Cash** Vocals
- **Jarrett Kaempfer** Audio
- **Padyn Pearson** Slides
- **Steve Long** Livestream

Announcements

VBS Sign-ups

Our "Stellar" Vacation Bible School is next week, June 20-22 from 9am to noon. We still have room for all of you and your friends to join us! Kids (completed K through 5th grade) and volunteers (older than 5th grade) can register today at southwood.org.

Adult Connect Community Classes

Adults up to age 45 will meet in Room D to study the Gospel of Mark with Julie Blauwkamp, Anna Kent, and Chris Morris, while adults over 45 will meet in Room A to study The Heart of the Torah with John Foreman. You're welcome in either group!

Summer Songs and Sweets!

Our next Worship Night will include fellowship and ice cream after a wonderful time of singing. Save the date for Sunday night, July 16, from 6pm to 8pm.

Jobs for Life - Mentors Needed

Southwood mission partner The CornerStone Initiative is recruiting mentors for an upcoming Jobs for Life class. Training begins on July 18, and the class begins on August 15. You can also support this class by providing a meal or joining the prayer team. Email janna@cornerstone-al.org for more information.

PCA General Assembly

Worship services/meetings of our denomination's General Assembly this week in Memphis can be livestreamed at pcaga.org/livestream. Contact Pastor Will for most exciting times to tune in!

This Week @ Southwood Sunday, June 11

6:00am – Men's Fellowship
8:45am – Prayer Gathering
9:30am – Worship Service
11:00am – Connect Hour (all ages)
6:30pm – Summer Sr High-Life

June 12-16

PCA General Assembly in Memphis

Thursday, June 15

1:00pm – Jr High Mystery Meeting
2:30pm – Women's Bible Study

Friday, June 16

6:00pm – YoPro Cookout @ Lodge

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

\$58,658

Year to Date Giving

\$864,468



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Prayer Guide

Core Commitment

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 the family of Ivy Barber, 97, who went home to Jesus last Saturday.

Pray for Meredith Fournier, who has been hospitalized with a blood infection and low blood pressure.

Pray for 2-month-old Neely Jones, who was hospitalized with a UTI and is now at home on antibiotics.

Pray for Clara Morris as she recovers from elbow surgery Thursday morning.

Pray for David and Lyndsay Abel as they are facing difficulties with one of their foster kids and longing for progress and rest.

Pray for the PCA General Assembly meeting in Memphis this week as our denomination turns 50 years old.

Missions Partner Requests

Rob and Tünde Futo - Budapest, Hungary
The Fútos and their daughters, Hajni and Csenge, are church planters who lead the Cornerstone Evangelical Protestant Church in Budapest. This church has a growing congregation that is built on a solid foundation of the Gospel of grace. You can support them and their ministry by praying ...

We are preparing to plant two churches this coming fall and have two teams working hard to be ready. Pray for unity and strength in the midst of talking through controversial and difficult topics regarding the future of these church plants.

Praise God that our church has grown over the past several years. Pray that God will show us his solution for a meeting space that will accommodate us all.

Praise God for the engagement of our daughter Hajni as she and fiancé Mark plan to wed on August 26.

Senior Member

Nancy Unks
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Expectant Mothers

Alaine Moss — July 2023
Stephanie Tomes — July 2023
Amanda Tatum — July 2023
Amber Colvard — September 2023
Jessica Stroud — September 2023
Ashlyn Everett — November 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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