



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 16, 2024 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

"In all your course, walk with God and follow Christ as a little, poor, helpless child, taking hold of Christ's hand, keeping your eye on the mark of the wounds on his hands and side, whence came the blood that cleanses you from sin and hides your nakedness under the skirt of the white shining robe of his righteousness."

Jonathan Edwards

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

ALL: Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:1-2

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

PRAYER

SONGS

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" "God So Loved"

Helping Lead Today's Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Bill Harritt Associate Pastor
- Seth Lewis Story of Grace
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Sam Johnson Acoustic Guitar
- Newt Johnson Bass Guitar
- Ron Poteat Electric Guitar

- Michael Athey Drums
- Lyndsay Abel Vocals
- Nina Cash Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Steve Long Livestream
- Padyn Pearson Slides

Worship Service

| We talk honestly with our Father about our weakness, idolatry, and need for Him. | PRAYER OF CONFESSION PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN |
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| God reminds us of his grace and forgiveness as the foundation of our relationship. | ASSURANCE OF PARDON But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 1 John 1:7 |
| | SONG "Grace Greater Than Our Sin" |
| We share with | STORY OF GRACE |

STORY OF GRACE

one another of God's work in our lives.

PRAYER

SONG "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG VBS Video

Worship Service

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

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Psalm 1:1-3 "We Listen to God"

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

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 rooms on hallway across from the Nursery College Connect: College students in the Lodge across the street 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: Jesus takes us to the Bible.

When God speaks and we long to delight in his Word, how do we listen to it?

1. EARS: ______ with it regularly.

2. MIND: _____ to understand it.

3. HEART: ______ in it until transformed.

Conclusion: The Bible takes us to Jesus.

Grace Group Questions (for fuller discussion guide, visit southwood.org) 1. How would you describe your delight in God's Word? In what ways has it most delighted your heart?

2. What new habit, resource, or commitment could help you engage your ears, mind, or heart with God's Word and its Hero?

3. When have you experienced your heart being exposed, convicted, or comforted by God's Word? How does the Bible take you to Jesus in that moment?

Announcements

Mission Partner Sharing

If you want to hear more about God's work in Ireland, join mission partners Seth and Jessica Lewis in Room A during the Connect Hour today.

Other Adult Connect Hour Classes

We encourage people of all ages to stay with us following the worship service to connect with God and one another around God's Word. Opportunities include ...

College (Lodge): Gospel and Work with Lance Cooper

Adults (Rm D): Book of Jonah with Julie Blauwkamp and Christine Betts

Leader Training (Rm B): Leadership Foundations with Will Spink

Sermon Resource File

Get recommended resources for all ages to help you in your engagement with God's word along the lines of today's sermon are available by scanning the QR code below.



Worship Night – July 7 Save the date for Worship Night: Summer Songs and Sweets (Jesus, Music, Ice Cream) on Sunday, July 7, at 6pm.

This Week @ Southwood Sunday, June 16

7:00am – Men's Fellowship (P.L.Eggs) 8:45am – Prayer Gathering 9:30am – Worship Service 11:00am – Connect Hour (all ages) 6:30pm – Summer High-Life

Tuesday, June 18 6pm – Joint Officers Meeting

Wednesday, June 19 Office Closed

Thursday, June 20 2:00pm – Women's Summer Study

Saturday - Wednesday, June 22-26 2:00pm – The Edge Summer Trip

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

Deacon/Finance Update

Weekly Budget Need \$49,152

Last Week's Giving \$33,796

Year to Date Giving \$938,975



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Prayer Guide

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

Ask that God would give each of us a renewed vision of how our ordinary daily tasks are a part of his grand story of redemption and restoration.

Pray for neighbors in Huntsville to know the rest offered by Jesus during this summer season in a busy, highachieving culture.

Ask God to give us a renewed zeal for the people and places He has called us to Monday through Saturday.

Specific Needs

Pray for Bettie Murray who is hospitalized and being treated for ongoing vertigo.

Pray for Sophia Corbin, who has been hospitalized the past few days as she battles pneumonia.

Pray for ongoing fruit from this week's VBS as our kids grow in their friendship with God.

Pray for Pastor Derrick as he preaches at The Village Church Sunday morning.

Pray for God's grace to sustain and encourage those in our congregation and community caring for aging loved ones.

Missions Partner Requests Robert and Tünde Fúto, Budapest, Hungary

The Fútos lead Cornerstone Evangelical Protestant Church, which has a growing congregation that is built on a solid foundation of the Gospel of grace. Robert and Tunde have two adult daughters, Hajni and Csenge, who have also been very active in their ministry. You can support the family by praying for these requests.

Pray for our upcoming summer church camp where adults and children will gather and focus on living life based on God's love for us. Ask God for a wonderful time of fellowship and a fresh, unified vision.

Pray for our church leadership as Robert Cheong and his wife from Restore Ministries lead us in a 10week course on discipleship and counseling. They will arrive for a weekend conference July 4-7 and then we will continue over Zoom.

Senior Member Eileen Sessions 1613 Montdale Rd.

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Expectant Mothers

Elizabeth Fancher — June 2024 Haley Clendinen — July 2024 Rachel Johnson — August 2024 Haley Bynum — August 2024 Cayce McAlister — August 2024 Rachel Hess Hajek — Sept 2024

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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