



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.

May 4, 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
But I trust in you, O Lord;
I say, “You are my God.”
My times are in your hand.

Psalm 31:14-15

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

CALL TO WORSHIP
LEADER: Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him.

PEOPLE: Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken.

LEADER: My salvation and my honor depend on God he is my mighty rock, my refuge.

ALL: Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

Psalm 62:5-8

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

SONGS
“God So Loved”
“Revelation Song”

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Helping Lead Today’s Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Bill Harritt Associate Pastor
- Jeremy McCoy Announcements
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Newt Johnson Piano
- Wesley Chambers Violin
- Nick Walker Bass Guitar
- Ron Poteat Electric Guitar
- Julian Newsome Drums
- Nina Cash Vocals
- Kathryn Jones Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Lance Cooper Livestream
- Abraham Lee Slides

Worship Service

We affirm
together what
we believe.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

The Apostles’ Creed

SONG

“Cornerstone”

We celebrate
how God has
been faithful to
his covenant
promises in our
seniors’ lives.

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

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

“My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”

Parents may escort K-1st graders upstairs during offertory.

Worship Service

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

PREACHING OF THE WORD
John 20:30-31
“That You May Believe”

SONG OF RESPONSE
“It Is Well With My Soul”

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

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 Purpose of the Book

1. The _____ of Faith

- What it is

- What it's not

2. The _____ of Faith

- What it is

- How it keeps growing

Conclusion: Where is Jesus calling _____ to believe?

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

1. What things and people do you place faith in on a daily basis? How is it similar and different to place faith in Jesus?

2. Where in your life today is Jesus calling you to believe in Him and find life afresh?

3. How can you be praying for or encouraging the faith of someone you know who is struggling to trust Jesus right now?

Announcements

Adult Connect Hour

Join us for classes in our adult communities, connecting with one another around God's Word. These include "Sermon on the Mount: The Good Life" (Under 40 in Room D with Lance Cooper, Thomas & Laura Davison); "Hebrews: Drawing Near to God in a Broken World" (40-60 in Room E with John Foreman and Bill Nash); "Living Life via the Psalms" (60+ in Room A with Luke Allen).

Yee Haw! Sign Up for VBS

Get ready to giddy up! Vacation Bible School is 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 friends!

Summer Women's Grace Group

Join us this summer on Thursdays beginning May 29, 2-3:30pm, as we study Nancy Guthrie's *The Promised One: Seeing Jesus in Genesis*. We'll get a fresh perspective on the book of Genesis together. Register and order your book at southwood.org/gracegroups.

Leadership Training Class

Are you interested in a deeper dive into God's Word and our theology? Do you feel called to lead or teach others at Southwood? Join Pastor Will and others for our Leadership Training Theology Module this summer (starts June 1) during the Connect Hour. For more info, contact wyketa.shipman@southwood.org.

This Week @ Southwood

Sunday, May 4

8:45am – Prayer Gathering
9:30am – Worship Service
11:00am – Connect Hour (all ages)
12:15pm – Graduate Banquet
7:00pm – Sr. High-Life

Tuesday, May 6

9:00am – Presbytery Meeting, Ft. Payne

Wednesday, May 7

6:00pm – Kids Club

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: \$161,347

Last Week's Giving

\$21,650



Scan this QR code to give electronically.

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

Prayer Guide

Core Commitments

We strive to love the least, the lost, the littlest, the lonely, and the left-out.

Pray that we would increasingly love those who feel unloveable, even when it costs us to extend the welcome God has shown to us.

Ask for boldness to share the hope of Jesus with an increasingly hopeless world around us.

Pray that God would make us a community where the materially poor feel safe, welcomed, and valued.

Specific Needs

Pray for Ron Brady, who has been hospitalized this week for further help with swallowing issues and is now recovering at home.

Pray for our graduating seniors and their families as they celebrate God's faithfulness and navigate the transition to a new season of life.

Pray for wisdom for those attending next Tuesday's Presbytery meeting and for peace throughout our sister churches.

Pray for volunteers to help with preparations for next month's VBS and for kids needing to hear God's truth.

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.

Pray for our Tuesday outreach with Samaritan Creations Ministry and our Friday ministry as we reach out to women involved in prostitution.

Pray that God will lead and guide us so that the women we meet will experience His love through us. Ask God to strengthen all the ministers and bless our work so that many will come to know Jesus.

Pray for my fundraising efforts, as I still need more sponsors. Pray for my health, wisdom, and strength as I serve the Lord.

Senior Member

Alma Huston
2800 Day Circle SE
Huntsville, AL 35801

Expectant Mothers

Amy Dobrowansky — May 2025
Caroline Jewell — June 2025
Lily Hatfield — June 2025
Amelia Daniels — August 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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