



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.

> September 17, 2023 8:45 AM Prayer Gathering 9:30 AM Worship Service 11:00AM Connect Hour

## **Worship Service**

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

#### **MEDITATION**

"If your god never disagrees with you, you might just be worshipping an idealized version of yourself."

Tim Keller

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

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you;

PEOPLE: my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

LEADER: So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.

PEOPLE: Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

ALL: So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.

Psalm 63:1-4

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

### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SONGS

"All for Jesus" "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

#### **Helping Lead Today's Worship Service**

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Bill Harritt Associate Pastor
- Kelli Johnson Announcements
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Jacob Dumbacher Piano
- Wesley Chambers Violin
- Michael Babin Acoustic Guitar

- Newt Johnson Bass Guitar
- Ron Poteat Electric Guitar
- Michael Athey Drums
- Kim Watkins Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Josh Cash Slides
- Andrew Foreman Livestream

## **Worship Service**

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

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

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

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Titus 3:4-7

SONG "Amazing Grace"

God places the sign of his promises on the children of parents who place their trust in Him.

#### BAPTISM

*Claiborne Reed, Lynnleigh Palmer, & Madelyn Drew Tomes* Son and daughters of Andrew and Stephanie Tomes

#### SONG

"Jesus Loves Me"

We celebrate how God's grace flows through us in our relationships and community. GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OFFERTORY SONG "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

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

## **Worship Service**

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

#### PREACHING OF THE WORD

John 2:12-25 "Can Jesus Upset Your Tables?"

#### SONG OF RESPONSE

"All for Jesus"

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: Temple = God's House

SCENE 1: Jesus cleanses the temple.

SCENE 2: Jesus is the new temple.

Application: Turning Over Tables in our Lives

3 Paths Away from God

- 1. Self-determination and control
- 2. Love of money and possessions
- 3. A Life of busyness and chaos

1 Path Back to God

Conclusion: God's House = Your Home

#### **Grace Group Questions**

1. If Jesus was turning over tables in 21st century Huntsville, what "tables" do you think they would be?

2. What tables would Jesus turn over in your heart to help you draw near to God?

3. What does repentance look like when you recognize things in your life that are taking you away from God? How does Jesus as the new temple make repentance and its fruit different from merely trying harder to do better and get back near to God?

## Announcements

## Worship Night - TONIGHT!

Bring a friend and join us for an evening of music and community tonight at 6pm. All ages welcome!

## Welcome to Southwood Class

Do you want to learn more about the heart of Southwood? Are you interested in connecting with the mission and people of our church family or pursuing membership? Join us today at 11:00am in Room B.

## Leadership Training Class - Module 2

All are invited to join us for Leadership Training, Module 2: "Theology" on Wednesdays starting Sept 27 from 6-8pm. This module is required for those interested in serving as officers, session advisors, or teachers. Sign up at wyketa.shipman@southwood.org.

## Family Movie Night Friday

All are invited to join us at the Lodge Friday night at 6:00pm for a showing of the movie Robots and a hot dog dinner. \$5/person, \$20/family. Sign up on the website.

## Southwood Nursery Open Position

Southwood is currently seeking a Nursery Supervisor to serve as a parttime member of ministry staff. If you or someone you know is interested, please email kids@southwood.org.

## HPRC 5K Run - Registration Open

Huntsville Pregnancy Resource Center, a Southwood mission partner, will host its annual 5K run on Saturday, October 7. This run is a fundraiser for the HPRC. To sign up, go to huntsvilleprc.org/tinytoes5k.

## This Week @ Southwood

Sunday, September 17

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

## Tuesday, September 19

6:00pm – Deacons Meeting

## Wednesday, September 20

6:00pm – LTC: Leadership Essentials 6:00pm – Jr. High-Life 6:00pm – Children's Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm – Women's Bible Study

## Thursday, September 21

10:00am - Women's Bible Study

## Friday, September 22

6:00pm - Family Movie Night

### Deacon/Finance Update 2023 Budget \$2,555,912

### Weekly Budget Need \$49,152

Last Week's Giving \$39,257

Year to Date Giving \$1,407,000



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# **Prayer Guide**

## **Core Commitment**

We recognize our deep dependence and need for prayer.

Ask Holy Spirit to give us eyes for the needs around us that we might be eager to pray with others.

Pray that time alone with our Heavenly Father would become as vital to our lives as it was to the life of Jesus.

Pray for our children to learn the power of prayer in their own lives and through watching us pray with and for them.

## **Specific Needs**

Pray for Barbara Harris in the death of her sister last weekend.

Praise God for the birth of Eli Martin Colvard to Amber and Evan last weekend.

Praise God for the birth of Whitten Poe Stroud to Taylor and Jessica this week.

Pray for the Southside PCA church plant during their first preview worship service this Sunday.

Pray for Sandy Newby as she recovers at home from a fall last weekend.

Pray for Worship Night Sunday night to lift our hearts to the King.

## Missions Partner Requests Marcus Nobles - RUF at Alabama A&M

Two years ago, Marcus and his family moved to Huntsville to relaunch RUF on the AAMU campus. He finished the past school year with 100 students attending the large group meetings. Please support Marcus and his team with your prayers as he continues to share the gospel with these college students.

Pray that God will continue to be in the midst of this campus and with the students AND the Admin/ Professors.

Pray that the work of RUF on this campus will have continued success and be able to accomplish the work that God has set forth.

Ask God to increase our financial support, as I attempt to double our programming budget to keep up with the exponential growth here.

## Senior Member

Nell Skidmore 2780 Pleasant Valle Rd. Union Grove, AL 35175

## **Expectant Mothers**

Ashleigh Lewis — October 2023 Ashlyn Everett — November 2023 Libby Potts — December 2023 Beth Patton — February 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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