



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.

> April 6, 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**

"'It is finished.' This was not the despairing cry of a helpless martyr. It was not an expression of satisfaction that the end of his sufferings was now reached. It was not the last gasp of a worn-out life. No, it was the declaration on the part of the Divine Redeemer that all for which He came from heaven to earth to do, was now done; that all which was needful to reveal the glorious character of God had now been accomplished; that everything necessary for putting away the sins of His people, providing for them a perfect standing before God, securing for them an eternal inheritance and fitting them for it, had all been done."

A.W. Pink

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

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

ALL: I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Psalm 9:1-2

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

"Come, Thou Fount" "The Wonderful Cross"

PRAYER OF PRAISE

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

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Derrick Harris 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
- Kathryn Jones Vocals
- Kim Watkins Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Andrew Foreman Livestream
- Mae Watkins Slides

## **Worship Service**

We affirm the one place we find hope and confidence.

#### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

> The Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

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

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

#### **PRIVATE CONFESSION**

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

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

Hebrews 10:12-14

#### SONGS

"Jesus Paid It All" "Doxology"

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

#### **GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERTORY SONG** 

"All-Sufficient Merit"

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 19:30 "It Is Finished"

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 communing members 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

"All-Sufficient Merit"

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**

"Tetelestai" - "It is finished"

## What does it mean?

1. Debts \_\_\_\_\_ Paid

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Earned

What does it mean for my life?

\_\_\_\_\_ to God ...

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

1. Where would you start to explain to a friend the importance of Jesus' "It is finished"? Why do you think many in our day don't realize this message is central to Christianity?

2. In what ways do you most feel the weight of your debt or your need for credit? How does the cross of Jesus speak to your heart about both struggles?

3. What does drawing near to God look like for you on a daily basis? What might change in your life if you lived nearer to God with the cross constantly over your heart?

## 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 Mark Baginski and Vinit Mahesh).

### Easter Services

Mark your calendars for our Easter services: Maundy Thursday at 6pm, Good Friday at 6pm, Easter Sunrise at 6am, and Easter Worship at 9:30am followed by our Easter Celebration!

## Easter Nursery Volunteers

This Easter, consider volunteering in our sweet nursery to support families during the 9:30am service. To sign up, email kids@southwood.org.

## Vacation Bible School

Yee Haw! Save the date for VBS, June 8-11, and hold on to your hat; we've got some fun surprises in store! To register as a ranch-hand (AKA volunteer) or to sign a buckaroo (AKA child) up to participate, visit our website today.

## We're Hiring!

Southwood is looking for a current or future member to serve full-time as our Director of Connections, working with new people and our mission partners. To learn more or apply, email jobs@southwood.org.

## This Week @ Southwood Sunday, April 6

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

Monday, April 7 6:00pm – Young Life Capernaum @ Lodge

**Tuesday, April 8** 6:30pm – Session Meeting

# Wednesday, April 9

6:00pm – Jr. High-Life 6:30pm – Women's Grace Groups

Thursday, April 10 10:00am – Women's Grace Groups

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.

Jan-Mar Budget Need: \$558,565 Jan-Mar Giving to Date: \$547,086

Last Week's Giving \$29,742



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# **Prayer Guide**

## **Core Commitments** We are driven by relationships.

Ask that our Grace Groups would increasingly be havens of refuge for those who are hurting and lonely to find life-giving community.

Pray for relationships to grow across generations so that we would grow together as the family God has called us to be.

Ask that God would give us friendships with people of different backgrounds and perspectives so that we can learn to value Jesus more together.

## **Specific Needs**

Praise God for Anna Babin's successful cornea surgery and continue to pray for her as she recovers.

Pray for Ron Brady as he undergoes testing this coming week.

Pray for Diana Howie as she prepares for surgery on her leg this coming week.

Pray for ongoing fruit in relationships with God and with one another from last weekend's Women's Retreat.

Pray for our elders and other leaders as they meet Tuesday night to pray for and plan for our church.

#### **Missions Partner Requests** RUF at Alabama A&M University -Marcus Nobles, Director and Aiden Tuberville, Intern

RUF is the campus ministry of the Presbyterian Church, with almost 200 chapters on campuses around the world. Through the ministry of RUF, students discover the love of Christ, find their significance in God's redemptive story, and engage in the life of his church. Please pray for RUF at Alabama A&M.

Praise God for a recent campuswide Game Night which led to new contacts with students, several of whom visited the next RUF Bible study.

Ask God to prepare the hearts of the students who will be attending the year-end RUF Summer Conference.

Pray specifically for a Muslim student who is meeting with Aiden weekly to study the book of Luke, that her eyes would be opened to the truth of God's word.

# Senior Member

**Cynthia Mann** 8051-B Lenox Lane Huntsville, AL 35802

## **Expectant Mothers**

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