



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.

August 11, 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

“Proud man would have perished eternally, had he not been found by the lowly God.”

Augustine

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

PEOPLE: *Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.*

LEADER: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

ALL: *For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.*

Psalms 96:1–6

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

SONGS

“Mighty to Save”

“Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death”

PRAYER OF PRAISE

God speaks to us from his Word to tell us how we should live in relationship with Him.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

“You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.”

Exodus 20:4–6

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
- Michael Athey Drums
- Lyndsay Abel Vocals
- Kristin Symon Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Lance Cooper Livestream
- Amanda Tatum Slides

Worship Service

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

CONFESSION OF SIN

LEADER: What is required in the second commandment?

PEOPLE: The second commandment requires receiving, observing, and keeping pure and whole all the religious worship and ordinances that God has appointed in his Word.

LEADER: What is forbidden in the second commandment?

PEOPLE: The second commandment forbids worshiping of God by images, or any other way not appointed in his Word.

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Questions 50 and 51

SILENT CONFESSION

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Galatians 4:4-7

SONGS

"Who You Say We Are"

"Amazing Grace"

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

"The Love of Jesus"

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 13:1-30
"Leading Low"

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

"Oh, How He Loves You and Me!"

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: Jesus' Leading, Loving, and Lowering

The Downward Path

1. The humble leading/loving of the Master (13:1-5)

2. The humble leading/loving of the Master's Servants (13:12-17)

*** To lead others, you have to lower yourself.

Two Important Interactions

1. Jesus and Judas (13:18-30)

2. Jesus and Peter (13:6-11)

Conclusion: Jesus' Ongoing Leading, Loving, and Lowering

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

1. How have you experienced humble love from someone in a position of authority in your life? How did it impact you? What about the opposite experience?

2. What could lowering yourself to lead/love someone else look like in your life even this week?

3. Imagine God merely told us to live like this. How does Jesus leading/loving us this way impact our hearts differently?

Announcements

Connect Hour Today

In our Adult Connect Communities, Pastor Will leads a study of II Timothy (Room A), and Ray Sheppard shares about how God has used the book of Romans in his life recently (Room D).

Grace Groups

We want everyone at Southwood in a Grace Group! Many of these small communities (men's, women's, and mixed gender) are starting to meet or restarting soon. To learn more, email gracegroups@southwood.org.

Parent CAFÉ - TONIGHT!

We are looking forward to gathering with parents and kids tonight at 5:30pm for dinner and discussion of "The Heart of Children's Ministry." Food if you've signed up!

Youth Parent Night

Parents of junior high and senior high students, join us next Sunday, August 18, 5:00-6:00pm in the Lodge.

Olympic August 25

Keep training for Southwood's churchwide Olympic on Sunday, August 25, following the worship service. We will enjoy great food, life-giving relationships, and entertaining competitions for Olympians of all ages and skill levels!

Welcome to Southwood Class

If you want to learn more about a relationship with God, the heart of Southwood, or church membership, join our Welcome class starting Sunday, Sept 8, at 11am. To sign up, email wkyeta.shipman@southwood.org.

This Week @ Southwood Sunday, August 11

8:45am – Prayer Gathering
9:30am – Worship Service
11:00am – Connect Hour (all ages)
5:30pm – Parent CAFÉ

Tuesday, August 13

6:00pm – Session Meeting

Thursday, August 15

2:00pm – Women's Bible Study

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

\$74,398

Year to Date Giving

\$1,291,972



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Prayer Guide

Core Commitments

We are committed to being Christ-centered.

Ask for growing passion in each of us to consider Jesus first in our Monday through Saturday activities.

Pray for fervent love for our neighbors that springs from the pursuing love Christ has shown to us.

Ask Holy Spirit to bind us together in unity within our Grace Groups and church family as we share in common what matters most.

Specific Needs

Pray for Linda O'Donnell as she has surgery for breast cancer on Tuesday.

Praise God for the wedding of Southwood member Katie Gerber and Bradley Fleming last weekend and pray for their new life together.

Pray for Meredith Fournier, who has been hospitalized this week with abdominal issues.

Pray for Terry Rogers in the death of his father this week.

Pray for patience and grace for our parents to point kids to Jesus as they gather for Sunday's Parent CAFE.

Pray for Pastor David Hammond (Westminster) who has moved to hospice care with pancreatic cancer.

Pray for our elders as they meet Tuesday to pray and plan for us.

Missions Partner Requests

Lincoln Village Ministry (LVM)

LVM seeks to help people experience restoration through a transforming relationship with Christ. Some of the practical ways LVM pursues this mission are affordable housing and a quality private school in the LVM community. Please remember these requests for the new school year.

Pray for the teachers and staff of Lincoln Academy as they establish routines and priorities for this school year.

Ask God to work in the hearts and minds of the students, making them focused and determined to honor Him in all that they do.

Pray that God would continue to provide for the financial needs of Lincoln Academy.

Senior Member

Cynthia Mann

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Expectant Mothers

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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