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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.

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**February 16, 2025**  
**8:45 AM** Prayer Gathering  
**9:30 AM** Worship Service  
**11:00 AM** Connect Hour

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# Worship Service

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

## MEDITATION

“My memory is nearly gone, but I remember two things: that I am a great sinner — and that Christ is a great Savior!”

John Newton

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

## CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

PEOPLE: *Out of my distress I called on the LORD; the LORD answered me and set me free.*

LEADER: The LORD is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me?

PEOPLE: *I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.*

ALL: *This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

from Psalm 118

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

## SONGS

“This Is the Day”

“How Great Is Our God”

## PRAYER OF DEPENDENCE

### Helping Lead Today's Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Derrick Harris Associate Pastor
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Newt Johnson Piano
- Tim Adcock Organ
- Nick Walker Bass Guitar
- Ron Poteat Electric Guitar
- Julian Newsome Drums
- Michael Babin Vocals
- Committed Vocals
- Kathryn Jones Vocals
- Kim Watkins Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Andrew Foreman Livestream
- Kaitlyn Young Slides

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# Worship Service

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

## **PREPARATION FOR CONFESSION**

In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.

Psalm 18:6

## **SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN**

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

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

Romans 5:8b-9

## **SONG**

"The Wonderful Cross"

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

## **GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **OFFERTORY SONGS**

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

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# Worship Service

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

## PREACHING OF THE WORD

John 18:12-27  
"Denial Ain't Just a River"

## SONG OF RESPONSE

"Amazing Grace"

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

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## Sermon Notes

Scene 1: Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ for us (18:12-14).

Scene 2: Peter \_\_\_\_\_ by even his own standards (18:15-18).

Scene 3: Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ boldly when threatened unjustly (18:19-24).

Scene 4: Peter keeps \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus who is \_\_\_\_\_ for him (18:25-27).

*Cliffhanger:* The Bad News and Good News of the \_\_\_\_\_

### **Grace Group Questions** *(for fuller discussion guide, visit [southwood.org](http://southwood.org))*

1. Which aspect of the contrast between Peter and Jesus is most striking to you? What contrast between your life and Jesus convicts you?
2. When you hear of denying Jesus, what failure or sin in your life comes to mind first? What "rooster crow" brings the pain of it to mind?
3. What would repentance in that area look like for you? How would you act if you really believed Jesus was standing to welcome you and make you stand again? How would you like to live with/for Him?

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# Announcements

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## Adult Connect Hour Classes

We are just starting new 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, Vinit Mahesh, and Blake Stuart).

## Welcome to Southwood Class

If you want to learn more about a relationship with God, the heart of Southwood, or church membership, join Pastor Will in our Welcome to Southwood class today in Room B following the worship service.

## Worship Night - Next Sunday

Join us for Worship Night next Sunday, Feb 23, at 6pm. All ages are welcome to this casual and joyful time of praise. Invite friends!

## Women's Retreat - Register Today

Mark your calendars for the women's retreat at Lake Guntersville State Park, March 28-30. We will enjoy fellowship, beautiful scenery, and talks with retired missionary speaker Mary Hall about how to "Draw Near" to Jesus in intimate relationship. Register today at [southwood.org](http://southwood.org).

## Serve with Local Partners

Our local mission partners at The Cornerstone Initiative need meals for groups meeting this spring. Sign up at [mealtrain.com/trains/gdg8q8](http://mealtrain.com/trains/gdg8q8).

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## This Week @ Southwood

### Sunday, February 16

8:45am – Prayer Gathering  
9:30am – Worship Service  
11:00am – Connect Hour (all ages)  
5:00pm – Huntsville Havoc Game  
7:00pm – No Sr. High-Life

### Tuesday, February 18

6:00pm – Deacons Meeting

### Wednesday, February 19

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

### Thursday, February 20

10:00am – Women's Grace Groups

*Join us on God's mission together by becoming part of a smaller community thru Grace Groups. Sign up at [southwood.org/grace-groups](http://southwood.org/grace-groups).*

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## 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: \$206,255

## Last Week's Giving

\$39,620



Scan this QR code to give electronically.

**Learn more, see full event calendars, and give electronically at [southwood.org](http://southwood.org).**

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# Prayer Guide

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## Core Commitments

We are committed to being Christ-centered.

Pray that the glory, majesty, and grace of Jesus would consume all of our thoughts, dreams, and pursuits.

Ask that we would live sacrificially before a watching world, so others will witness the value of knowing Jesus in our lives.

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

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## Specific Needs

Pray for David Schatz in the death of his father this week.

Pray for our deacons as they meet on Tuesday to lead our congregation in caring for one another and our neighbors.

Pray for Diana Howie as she receives ongoing treatment for vein issues in her leg.

Pray for our families who are facing challenges with fostering and adopting as they seek to show God's love to precious children.

Pray for Sunday night's Havoc game to be a time of deepening relationships among our Grace Groups and broader congregation.

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## Missions Partner Requests

**Seth and Jessica Lewis - Carrigtwohill, Ireland**

*The Lewis family has served in Ireland for 15 years. Their primary areas of service are planting new churches, providing Bible training through Munster Bible College, and working with Munster Christian Camps. They also make regular visits to a local refugee center, where they seek to build relationships and share the gospel. You can support them by praying for these requests.*

As we press forward with the new church plant in Carrigtwohill, pray with us for courage, help, and joy in Jesus for all involved.

Ask for God's guidance as we look into a property that has become available and could provide a permanent home for this new church.

Pray that God would provide a smooth transition for our new ministry teammates, Tyler and Monica Howard.

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## Senior Member

**Elaine Hill**

2213 Towne Park Dr.  
Huntsville, AL 35803

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## Expectant Mothers

**Amy Dobrowansky — May 2025**

**Caroline Jewell — June 2025**

**Lily Hatfield — June 2025**

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**Email [prayer@southwood.org](mailto:prayer@southwood.org)  
to be included in this Prayer Guide.**

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### **Southwood's Mission**

Southwood exists to experience and express grace in relationships that impact eternity.

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### **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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