



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.

July 12, 2026

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

“O be persuaded to hide yourself in Christ Jesus! What greater assurance of safety can you desire? He has undertaken to defend and save you, if you will come to him: he looks upon it as his work; he engaged in it before the world was, and he has given his faithful promise which he will not break; and if you will but make your flight there, his life shall be for yours; he will answer for you, you shall have nothing to do but rest quietly in him; you may stand still and see what the Lord will do for you.”

Jonathan Edwards

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND INVOCATION

SONG

“He Will Rejoice”

Helping Lead Today’s Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Bill Harritt Associate Pastor
- Cathy Mayer Announcements
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Newt Johnson Piano
- Tim Adcock Organ
- Nick Walker Bass Guitar
- Marcus Pope Drums
- Michael Babin Vocals
- Angela Baptiste Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Andrew Foreman Livestream
- Amanda Tatum Slides

Worship Service

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

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

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

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

CONFESSION OF SIN

SILENT CONFESSION

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

“Nothing But the Blood”

BAPTISM

Daniel Wesson Potts
Son of Stephen and Libby Potts

SONG

“Oh How He Loves You and Me”

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

“Why Should He Love Me So?”

Worship Service

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

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Selected Passages
How Can a Good God Send People to Hell?

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

"Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death"

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 & pray with people at the front of the sanctuary.

Join us for Connect Hour, relating with God & each other around his Word.

Adults: Gather in Connecting Spaces (exit sanctuary; turn right)

College: Gather in conference room in the Lodge across the street

High-Life Connects: Jr./Sr. High classes in the Lodge across the street

Kids Connect: Birth-5th grade classes in the Nursery and upstairs

Sermon Notes

The _____ of Jesus:

What does Jesus teach about Hell?

(Matthew 25:30-47, Mark 9:43-48, Luke 16:19-31, John 5:25-29)

Two _____ Questions:

1. How can we biblically understand the character of a “good God”?

(Exodus 34:6-7, Romans 3:25-26, Matthew 23:13-36, 37)

2. How do we think biblically about people being “sent” to Hell?

(Romans 1:24-25, Matthew 13:41-43, Romans 9:19-26)

The _____ of Jesus:

What does Jesus, knowing the truth about Hell, do for us?

(John 19:28, Matthew 27:45, Matthew 27:46)

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

1. What’s the hardest part of this question for you – what the Bible really teaches, how God could be/behave like this, or how you feel about people going to Hell?

2. Why is the concept of eternity so easy to avoid, even with someone with whom you have a long-term “close” relationship? How important is it for us to discuss with others?

3. What is one way you think your life should look different in the next week or the next year in light of the Bible’s teaching on these topics?

Announcements

Joint Adult Connect Hour

Following the service, adults will gather in the Connecting Spaces with Pastor Will as we continue our discussion on the question addressed in today's sermon. We will start by giving the floor to those with questions, hurts, or differing perspectives to share.

Flourish Women's Gathering - Today!

Ladies, join us for Flourish this afternoon as Stephanie Pearson leads us in learning how to live out our spiritual gifts. We'll meet in the Connecting Spaces, 2:30 - 4pm.

Leader Training & Officer Nominations

Leadership Training (open to all) begins in August. In preparation, please pray and nominate those you feel should serve as church leaders or ordained officers so they can be encouraged to participate in the class. Link to nominate: <https://southwood.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/565/responses/new>.

Training to Love Neighbors Well

One of our local mission partners, The Cornerstone Initiative, offers fantastic training on how to walk alongside people, especially those who are different from you. Training begins this week and is open to anyone - no further commitment required - but enables you to support people in programs such as Faith & Finances and Jobs for Life. For more info or to register, reach out to stephanie.pearson@southwood.org.

This Week @ Southwood Sunday, July 12

8:45am - Prayer Gathering
9:30am - Worship Service
11:00am - Connect Hour (all ages)
2:30pm - Flourish Gathering
7:00pm - No Sr. High-Life Cookout

Tuesday, July 14

6:00pm - Session Meeting

Thursday, July 16

2:00pm - Women's Grace Group
6:00pm - Jr. High-Life Event
6:30pm - Women's Grace Group

Join us on God's mission together by becoming part of a smaller community through Grace Groups. Women's groups, men's groups, and coed groups meet throughout the week. Sign up to get connected at southwood.org/grace-groups.

Deacon/Finance Update

Quarterly Budget Need is based on Southwood's historical giving patterns.

July-Sept Budget Goal: \$864,693
July-Sept Giving to Date: \$65,736

Last Week's Giving: \$65,736



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Prayer Guide

Sermon Series Focus

“Thanks for Asking” Series

Ask that Holy Spirit would bring comfort to those wrestling with particularly painful questions and life experiences.

Pray for increased boldness to speak of the good news of Jesus with neighbors, friends, and co-workers seeking hope.

Ask God to bring revival in our city for the glory of his name and the good of many people we love and live with each day.

Specific Needs

Pray for Katie Cantonwine, Kelli Johnson, Clara Morris, and Heather Morris as they travel to Thailand this weekend to serve alongside mission partner Mint Saetung.

Pray for our women’s Flourish event on Sunday afternoon to be an encouraging time of connection and empowerment for using spiritual gifts in God’s kingdom.

Pray for unity, wisdom, and Christ-honoring zeal for our elders as they meet Tuesday night to pray and plan for our congregation and kingdom ministry.

Mission Partner Focus

Second Mile Development serves neighborhoods, strengthens schools, and empowers homes by connecting people to the love of Jesus and creating lasting change. This summer, our students will partner with Second Mile during our **Youth In-Town Mission Trip** which includes service in the community garden, Neighborhood Thrift Store, and the neighborhood clean-up day.

Pray for Second Mile and for the neighborhoods, schools, and families they serve to experience the hope of the gospel. Pray for our youth to serve with humility, joy, and compassion as they share Christ’s love. Pray that God would use this mission trip to deepen our students’ hearts for serving others and living on mission every day.

Senior Member

Alma Huston

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Expectant Mothers

Rachel Johnson — July 2026

Maggie Ratliff — August 2026

Emma Chambers — September 2026

Amber Colvard — September 2026

Alyshia Martin — September 2026

Hannah Platko — September 2026

Amy Dobrowansky — October 2026

Brantley Evans — October 2026

Ashlyn Everett — October 2026

Riley Brechin — December 2026

**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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