



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.

March 1, 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

“Only the gospel of your grace frees me to fall down and worship you in humility, not humiliation; in gratitude, not groveling; in repentant faith, not uncertain penance; in the assurance of Christ’s righteousness, not the condemnation of my unrighteousness. Father, I pray our whole church family will enjoy this same freedom. ... May our worship be so saturated with the truth and grace of the gospel that nonbelievers will be overwhelmed with your presence and captured by your love.”

Scotty Smith, *Everyday Prayers*

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, the 24 elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

PEOPLE: “Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.”

LEADER: And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing as though it had been slain. And they sang a new song, saying,

PEOPLE: “Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.”

Helping Lead Today’s Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Scotty Smith Guest Preacher
- Elisabeth Enchelmayer Announcements
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Newt Johnson Piano
- Tim Adcock Organ
- Nick Walker Bass Guitar
- Ron Poteat Electric Guitar
- Marcus Pope Drums
- Michael Babin Vocals
- Kathryn Jones Vocals
- Kim Watkins Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio/Slides
- Andrew Foreman Livestream
- Amanda Tatum Slides

Worship Service

LEADER: Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, saying with a loud voice,

ALL: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

From Revelation 4,5

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

SONGS

"All Hail the Pow'r of Jesus' Name"
"Our God Is Greater"

God speaks to us through the Bible to remind us of his greatness.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, you are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty, covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent. ... He set the earth on its foundations, so that it should never be moved. ... O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. ... May the glory of the Lord endure forever! ... Bless the Lord, O my soul! Praise the Lord!

From Psalm 104

PRAYER OF PRAISE

SONG

"How Great Is Our God"

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

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Glorious Father, forgive our small thoughts of you when you are greater than we can comprehend. Forgive our small thoughts of your power that lead us to grasp frantically for control. Forgive our small thoughts of your presence that lead us to feel fearful and alone. Forgive our small thoughts of your grace that lead us to remain distant from you in our guilt and shame. Give us a fresh vision of the greatness of your glory and grace!

PRIVATE CONFESSION

Worship Service

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age.

Galatians 1:3-4

SONG

"The Church's One Foundation"

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

"Hymn of Heaven"

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

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

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Revelation 7:1-17

"Jesus Is Greater Than Our Domesticated, Status Quo, 'Safe' Vision for Our Church Family"

SONG OF RESPONSE

"The Church's One Foundation"

God sends us on his mission with his blessing.

BENEDICTION

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21



Following the Worship Service

Pastor Will & Scotty will greet & 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 the Nursery and upstairs

Sermon Notes

Jesus intends for us to...

1. Know the Bigger Story into which he has written us (7:1-9)
2. Enter the Transforming Worship of which he is worthy (7:10-14)
3. Know the Greatness of His Love, offer it to one another, to Huntsville, and to the nations (7:15-17)

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

1. How would you describe your vision of being a member of Christ's Church? What do you long for being a part of more?
2. What is most striking to you about the throne room vision of Rev. 7 – who is there, what they're saying, or what they're wearing?
3. How would your life personally change if you moved more into Jesus' greater story than your own "safe" one? How might our life together change?

Announcements

Adult Connect Hour Classes

Join us after the service in our adult communities. Classes include "The Alt. Gospel: Why Good News Needs No Substitute," "The Gospel of Mark," and "The Books of Ezra and Nehemiah."

Churchwide Family Meal

Join us for CFA at 5:30pm Wednesday in the Connecting Spaces! No need to sign up! After dinner together (if you don't already have an activity), Bill Nash and Derrick Harris will lead discussion about community.

Flourish Women's Gatherings

Women, join us today at 2:30pm in the Connecting Spaces. Today's topic is Miscarriage & Infertility.

Women's Retreat Registration

Our Women's Retreat is April 10-12 at The Vision. Speaker: CBS Teaching Leader Katie Caldwell. Register by March 15 at southwood.org for best rates (\$100-\$225 depending on your lodging choice).

Mountain Men Event Saturday

Men, join us at the Blevins Gap Trailhead Saturday at 7:00am (or as early as 4:00am!) for breakfast and discussion. See email for details.

Prayer Resource for March

Prayer Resource for March is now available in the Narthex and online.

WPC Parenting Conference

"Parenting in Relationship with a Gracious God" March 27-28 at Westminster PCA. To register, please visit bit.ly/WPCParentConference.

This Week @ Southwood Sunday, March 1

8:45am – Prayer Gathering
9:30am – Worship Service
11:00am – Connect Hour (all ages)
11:00am – Communicants Class
2:30pm – Flourish Gathering
7:00pm – Sr. High-Life

Wednesday, March 4

5:30pm – Churchwide Family Meal
6:00pm – Kids Club
6:00pm – Jr. High-Life
6:30pm – Women's Grace Groups

Thursday, March 5

10:00am – Women's Grace Groups

Saturday, March 7

7:00am – Mountain Men

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.

Jan-Mar Budget Goal: \$722,092
Jan-Mar Giving to Date: \$385,191

Last Week's Giving: \$25,361



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Learn more, see full event calendars, and give electronically at southwood.org.

Prayer Guide

Core Commitment

We recognize our deep dependence and need for prayer.

Pray that we would draw near to God with confidence all the time because of our relationship with his Son.

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

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

Specific Needs

Pray for 1-year-old Arthur Riley, who has been hospitalized this week as he battles viral infections.

Pray for Billie Carman, 97, as she has weakened this week and for Jim and Corrie as they care for her.

Pray for Ben and Kaitlyn Whitehead (daughter of Kim Garrison and Parker Garrison) in the death of their son, Scottie, 3 hours after birth last week.

Pray for George McCrary as he settles into a new job in Auburn this week.

Praise God for the birth of Henry Bennett Spooner to Stuart and Rosemary last week.

Pray for the women gathering Sunday afternoon to share about grief and hope in miscarriage and infertility.

Pray for renewed hearts for our elders and deacons as they pray and learn together on retreat this weekend.

Mission Partner Focus:

Justin and Alanna Huston

Justin served with Serge overseas from 2014–2024 in cross-cultural ministry and leadership development. In 2025, he transitioned to the Serge home office as a Project Manager for the Leadership Development Team. They now live on a farm in East Tennessee and serve both at home and through global ministry leadership. Pray for:

Fruitfulness in Justin's leadership development work; Strength and endurance in a very full season.

Emotional and spiritual health for Camille, Maverick, and their newest (16 month old) placement; Wisdom and patience in fostering.

We are grateful that Justin will be leading a session for Southwood members Sunday, March 8, preparing their hearts for short-term mission trips, helping ground our teams in gospel-centered service.

Senior Member

Clayton and Nannette Morgan

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Expectant Mothers

Ashleigh Lewis — March 2026

Amanda Tatum — March 2026

Megan Craig — May 2026

Rachel Johnson — July 2026

Kathryn Propst — July 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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